

BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

MINUTES

**The Watertown Board of Health has scheduled a REMOTE ZOOM meeting on
Wednesday May 20, 2020 at 7:00 pm**

PRESENT: Dr. John Straus, Chairperson and Dr. Barbara Beck, Secretary; Richard Arnold, Board Member.

Staff: Larry Ramdin, Director of Public Health
Maureen Foley, Head Clerk

CALL TO ORDER: Dr. Straus called the meeting to order 7:03 pm

Minutes

Minutes and Video of the April 30, 2020 meeting should be posted
Motions granted (Beck, Arnold 2nd) 2-0.

Public Comment

No public comments.

Farmers Market Update

Farmers Market is essential to the food insecure. With COVID 19, the state has specific orders to reduce risks to residents and vendors. There will be specific layouts and maps to respect social distancing. Hand washing stations will be added.

Biotechnology Regulation Update

A request for the town manager to approve the nominee of the Fire Chief will be followed up on. The regulations and application forms will be posted on the website.

COVID 19 Status

Confirmed cases (365), Fatalities (23), Open (100)
Challenge with tracing collaborative for COVID 19 are the residents are unreachable to our traces over several attempts. Quarantined residents are contacted daily.

Department Update

Health, Fire and Police departments are not subject to the 25% rule in the office.
Health is performing; spot inspections, assisting with businesses, complaints are investigated.
Congratulations to Stephanie Venizelos with the Farmers Market and contending with COVID 19.

Next Meeting

Scheduled for June 17, 2020

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. (Motion Dr. Straus, seconded by Mr. Arnold 3-0)

Respectfully submitted: Larry Ramdin, Director of Public Health

Approved: