**BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING**

**July 16, 2020**

Chair Steve Fram opened the meeting at 1:00 p.m. Present on Zoom were Board Member , Elaine Byrne, Health Agent Deborah Rogers and Health Inspector, Virginia Bacon. Also in attendance were Sue Noyes, Alicia Greco, Bob Connors and Geoffrey Walker. 1 absent Alba Gouldthrope.

**Discussion:** Plum Island Beach clean-up, was tabled from July 13, 2020 until board had spoken with Town council. Health Agent, Deborah Rogers spoke with Town Council and they said in our best interest not to allow trespassing on private properties.

Public beach around the dredge, Health Agent, Deborah Rogers was waiting to hear back from Town Council. Steve Fram read the letter from town council, risk or civil and criminal liability, would recommend not doing it on private property, unless they fill out a form allowing for cleanup. Elaine Byrne gets the residents of private property to sign form and get the beach cleaned up. Again what happens with the needles that are cleaned up? Deborah Rogers also reached out to the Newburyport Health Agent and Waste Management but haven’t heard from any of them. Recommend voting to allow cleanup and then get answers from Town Council and everyone else. Bob Connors gave Lisa Mead, Town council the scope of the work from the rack line to the tide line. When they find needles in the past the coordinate with the Police to dispose of. Also, DPW in the past has coordinated it with the fire department as well. Not hundreds of syringes maybe a handful after CSO discharges, seems to bring needles onto the beaches of Plum Island. A motion was made by Elaine Byrne subject receipt of letter from Town Council to allow Bob Connors to clean up the beach setting the parameter line on the beach where allowed to have it and volunteers to walk ahead of the equipment to look for plovers that are still nesting, it was seconded by Steve Fram to approve clean-up of the beach, voted unanimously. Geoffrey Walker all the plovers will fledge by end of July and be gone. Alicia Greco, Thank you for moving on this.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:47 a.m.

Respectively submitted,

Virginia Bacon