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## TOWN OF DEDHAM BOARD OF HEALTH

### Meeting Minutes of August 26, 2020

#### **The following Board of Health Members were present.**

Leanne Jasset, Chair  
Kathy Reda, Vice Chair  
Mary Ellard, Member

#### **The following staff were also present:**

Bridget Sweet, Interim Health Director

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic and given the current prohibitions on gatherings imposed by Governor Baker's March 23, 2020 "Order Assuring Continued Operation of Essential Services in the Commonwealth, Closing Workplaces, and Prohibiting Gatherings of More than 10 People," this public hearing was conducted virtually, as allowed by Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 "Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §20.

#### **Flu Clinics**

The Board is working on plans for the annual community Flu Clinics. More information will follow.

#### **COVID-19**

With the school year fast approaching, The Board continues to be a resource for the School Committee and Superintendent in developing plans and protocols for the re-entry of students and staff.

The Department continues to support the business community in the various stages of their reopening plan(s). Please visit [www.mass.gov/reopening](http://www.mass.gov/reopening) for a complete report and daily updates for Reopening Massachusetts.

Although Town Hall remains closed to the public, the Health Department is staffed and available to address all questions and concerns. Residents and businesses are encouraged to contact the office at 781-751-9220 with questions or concerns.

The Board again wishes to remind the public to properly dispose of gloves and masks at all public locations.

**Confirmed Cases**

There are 449 confirmed cases in Dedham as of August 26, 2020. As a result of the recent increase in confirmed cases across the Commonwealth, the Board strongly urges residents to continue to practice social distancing, proper hygiene and the wearing of a face covering.

**Mosquitoes**

The Board again wishes to remind residents that while COVID-19 is in the forefront, please be mindful and aware of West Nile and EEE and take the necessary precautions.

**Resources**

Residents are encouraged to visit the website, [dedhamcovid19.com](http://dedhamcovid19.com), for all town updates as the COVID-19 situation develops. Visitors can subscribe via email to receive notifications for new posts.

Madam Chair made a motion to adjourn. All were in favor.

This is to certify that the above is a true and accurate record of the minutes of the Board of Health's Meeting held on August 26, 2020, which minutes were approved on September 28, 2021.

Leanne Jasset – Chairman