Eastern Highlands Health District Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes Virtual Meeting Via Zoom Thursday, February 18, 2021

Members present: E. Anderson (Andover), R. Aylesworth (Mansfield), J. Elsesser (Coventry), W. Kaufold (Mansfield), E. Paterson (Mansfield), M. Rosen (Tolland), T. Nuccio (Tolland), D. Walsh (Coventry), M. Walter (Columbia), E. Wiecenzki (Willington)

Staff present: R. Miller, K. Dardick, M. Brosseau

- E. Paterson called the meeting to order at 4:32 pm
- J. Elsesser made a MOTION, seconded by M. Walters to accept the minutes from the January 21, 2021 meeting as presented. MOTION PASSED unanimously.

Subcommittee Reports

Finance Committee

E. Wiecenski made a MOTION, seconded by J. Elsesser to add to the agenda the Financial Report for the period ending December 31, 2020. MOTION PASSED unanimously.

Financial Report

- R. Miller presented the salient sections of the financial report for the period ending December 31, 2020.
- M. Walter made a MOTION, seconded by D. Walsh to accept the financial report as presented. MOTION PASSED unanimously.

TOWN Reports

Columbia M. Walter informed the board that signing up seniors in VAMS is going well.

Coventry J. Elsesser reported that 70% of seniors 75 years and older have been vaccinated. In addition, Husky Pizza has opened. A new health drink place has opened in the plaza containing Wicked Slice Pizza. Discussions continue with DEEP regarding the sewer extension into Bolton.

Tolland M. Rosen reported that Tolland is doing well with getting seniors vaccinated. They have had the assistance of a call center in Vernon. Tolland is now considering options for the homebound.

Willington E. Wiecenski reported that they are helping people to set up people with vaccine appointments. Currently, 50% of the seniors 75 and older have been vaccinated.

Mansfield R. Aylesworth reported that staff assistance has been expanded to help seniors receive appointments for the vaccine. Currently 65% of seniors 75 and older are vaccinated.

Dr. Dardick reported that his office is seeing essentially no influenza this season, as well as strep throat and minor respiratory ailments.

COVID-19 Activity Update

R. Miller reported on the COVID-19 activities with which his office is engaged. These include:

- COVID Testing
- Contact Tracing
- Medical Reserve Corps Recruiting
- COVID-19 Crisis Response Funding for State and Local Health Departments grant has been fully expended
- FEMA Reimbursement is being pursued
- R. Miller presented data on vaccine administration to date and plans for the coming month

Next Board Meeting - April 15, 2021, 4:30 PM via zoom

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Miller

Secretary