



TOWN OF LANCASTER – BOARD OF HEALTH
Monday, January 3, 2022, 9:00AM
Meeting Minutes

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 832 0654 7605

Call to order: 9:04AM

Members in attendance: Jeff Paster, Chairman, John Farnsworth, and Katherine Holden

Discussion of applicants, COVID-19 Coordinator position vacancy

Chair Paster said the purpose of meeting is to review the status of Covid-19 Coordinator to replace Tracy Gagnon. The goal is to let everyone know who has applied, how each one is ranked for education and experience, people skills, verbal skills, computer, research, patience, energy, flexibility, and availability which was shown in a spreadsheet prepared by Chairman Jeff Paster. He said he interviewed one applicant so far. He went over the above referenced criteria for the person he interviewed Jennifer Cote. He went over the other applicants.

Katherine Holden said she met Jennifer at a vaccination clinic. Her resume seems very good. She said she is comfortable with her candidacy. John Farnsworth said Jennifer seems very qualified. He said she lives and works in Lancaster. He said he is interested in hearing about the others.

Chair Paster discussed the other applicants with the Board members.

John Farnsworth said he is happy to see so many candidates apply. He commented we need to hire someone quickly. It is not fair to Tracy to have her stay on. Chair Paster said Tracy offered to continue through January to finish off a few things I asked her to do such as list of contacts and clinics done. If we can hire someone soon, they can work directly with Tracy. I want to move forward as soon as possible.

Chair Paster said his plan is to connect with Amber Gustafson and see if she is a viable candidate and get John and Kathy involved. If so, we will have two viable candidates. He said he would like to have a decision by the end of the week.

The Board discussed purchasing test kits which will be discussed at tonight's Select Board meeting. Chair Paster said he is going to speak in favor of this.

Kathy Holden made a motion to allow Jeff Paster the authority to select the appropriate candidate for the Covid-19 Coordinator. John Farnsworth seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Kathy Holden yes, John Farnsworth yes and Jeff Paster yes.

Adjourn

Kathy Holden made a motion to adjourn. John Farnsworth seconded. Roll Call Vote: Kathy Holden yes, John Farnsworth yes and Jeff Paster yes.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40AM

Respectfully submitted

Debra Dennis