**Brimfield Board of Health**

**Meeting of December 22nd, 2020**

Board Members Present: Chair Richard Costa, Co Chair K. Marino, M. Polack, M. Koprowski and T. Wood

Present: Administrative Assistant Michelle Metcalf, Health Agent Jamie Terry

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 PM

* **COVID 19 -Update**

The town currently has 8 active cases. The Governor temporary Executive Order will outline the following measures that will take effect at 12:01 a.m. on Saturday, December 26th and will continue until Sunday, January 10th, with a possibility of an extension of another week based upon available data.

This pause will reduce allowable occupancy from current capacity levels of 40% to 25% in multiple sectors.

* Notably, this capacity limit will now apply to restaurants. Capacity will be set at 25% of pre-COVID seating capacity and distancing between tables and other requirements will remain in place. Indoor and Outdoor seating capacity must be calculated separately (rather than combining them).
* Small spaces (such as personal services) and other spaces without clear occupancy standards may use 5 people / 1000 square feet as an alternative to the 25% occupancy .
* The 25% limit will not apply to manufacturing, laboratories, drive in movie theaters, or construction
* Employees/staff are exempted from the capacity count
* Limits at indoor event venues are being reduced to 10 people.
* Limits at outdoor event venues are being reduced to 25 people.
* Current limits at private residences remain the same (10 indoors and 25 outdoors)
* Limits at movie theaters will be reduced to 25% (no more than 50 people per theater)
* Limits outdoor performance venues will remain 25% (with the max number reduced to 25 from 50).
* Office spaces will be required to reduce capacity to 25%, but there will continue to be allowances for offices with “critical services”, such as public safety, public health, and other critical services. There is no approval required for these exemptions.
* K-12 schools continue to be exempted from these capacity limits and will need to follow DESE standards and guidelines.
* **Review Town Report**

Board review Town report and will send edits to administrator and review the final draft at the next meeting.

* **THS Flu Clinic**

The board participated in a Flu clinic at THS 200 people signed up for the clinic. It was a drive up clinic with two lanes and also a table was setup to revive vaccination. The town health nurse and board member K. Marion RN help with administrating the vaccinations. The clinic was a great success and the board felt it was great practice if we need to run a clinic for the COVID vaccine.

* **Fee For Structural Fire**

The board discussed a permit for a fee due home fire needed to have temporary housing on the property. The board felt that it was best to have this under nuisance with this type of fee not coming up often.

* **Minutes 12/8/2020**

Board approved minutes.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05PM

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Metcalf

Administrative Assistant

Next meeting will be held January 5th, 2020