Minutes of Foothills Health District remote meeting of April 22, 2022

Present: Tom Martin, Fran Fortino, Robby Armenti, Mark Bushee, Mike Kurland & Donna Gibson Meeting opened by TM at 10:04 AM.

- 1. Minutes of March 25, 2022 were reviewed and accepted unanimously;
- 2. Discussion of the interview of Gina McNeely for the position of Health Inspector yesterday, going over her extensive qualifications with her long history in the public health field, her administrative experience, personality qualities and required pay rate. Discussed her current rate of pay of \$38/hr working for other towns at present and the effect this would have on our budget in future, on our current funds and her qualifications she was voted in unanimously as a part-time permanent employee by the board at up to 20 hours per week (variable) at \$38/hr. She is due for a Food Safety training update and the Board agreed to cover this expense with her taking the training coming up soon locally. MB will write the offer letter to her and follow up. She will begin work immediately.
- 3. Board discussed the general problems with the State's delayed sending of monies owed the FHD on the P.H. Excellence Grant and the problems this causes us. FF has complained to state reps about this and others on the Board agreed to do so as well.
- 4. The State DPH is again this year offering the opt-out process in mosquito spraying. Our town's BOHs will pursue this option again with their respective Select Boards including the required public education pieces needed.
- 5. FF brought up need to eliminate at least the position of "clerk" in our Bylaws as they are reworked by that committee.
- 6. TM reminds that report is due to the State.
- 7. Next meeting agenda to cover employee reviews, voting of officers and approval of Bylaw changes. Next meeting set for Friday, May 13, 2022 at 10:00 AM.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 AM.

Submitted by D. Gibson