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Chatham Health District Board of Health, Special Meeting/Public Hearing

Time: February 22, 2022 02:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Zoom Meeting ID 831 8284 6439

Present: Andrew Tierney Dave Cox Ryan Curley
 Rosemary Coyle Peter Hughes Stan Soby
 Kate Morris (arrived 2:20)

Others: Russell Melmed

1. Call to Order

Chairman Tierney called this Special Meeting/Public Hearing to order at 2:11pm.

2. Public Hearing – District Budget 2022-2023

Mr. Melmed reviewed the proposed 2022-2023 budget. Mr. Melmed noted the increase of revenues in environmental health fees as well as COVID19 billing. Mr. Melmed stated that he did not include some grant funding that was applied for, but that had not yet been awarded when preparing the budget, has since been awarded. The budget proposes an overall 2.25% town per capita increase. Mr. Melmed briefly discussed the vaccination revenue/expenses. Flu vaccinations are billed for the vaccine and administration of, and cover the cost of vaccine and ancillary supplies to run the clinics. COVID19 vaccine and supplies are mostly covered by the federal government. Billing for the administration of these vaccinations has been a revenue generator. Mr. Melmed noted that sometime in the future the COVID19 vaccination program may look like the flu program when the government no longer covers the cost.

Following no further discuss motion was made by Mr. Cox, seconded by Mr. Soby, to close the Public Hearing. Vote was unanimous in favor. Public Hearing closed at 2:23pm.

3. Adjournment

Motion was made by Ms. Coyle, seconded by Mr. Cox, to adjourn the Public Hearing. Vote was unanimous in favor. Public Hearing adjourned at 2:24pm.