

Meeting Minutes Dover Board of Health - September 8, 2021
Held remotely via zoom

Present: Professor Gerald Clarke, Chair; Stephen Kruskall, Dr. Kay Petersen, members

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.

At the public and open meeting of the Dover Board of Health which was held on Wednesday evening, September 8, 2021, opening at 7:00 p.m. and closing at 8:19 p.m., with many residents present, a motion was made by Dr. Kay Petersen and seconded by Dr. Stephen Kruskall to accept the implementation of a Health Order entitled "DOVER BOARD OF HEALTH ORDER REQUIRING FACE MASKS IN ALL MUNICIPAL AND OTHER BUILDINGS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN THE TOWN OF DOVER."

A discussion on the proposed mask mandate was held for an hour and 18 minutes. It was announced that all those present who would want to ask questions or offer comments should indicate that request by using the Zoom Raise Hand function, or entering the request in a chat to the chair, or by sending an email to the chair.

Discussion of the motion commenced with the presentation by Dr. Kay Petersen, M. D., and reference was made to the graphic slide entitled "COVID Dover-Sherborn Av Daily Rate Jan-Aug 2021" authored by Matthew Vitale, M.D., which clearly presented the rapidly rising COVID-19 case diagnoses, with rates adjusted for municipal population. The slide is attached hereto.

All those residents who wished to be heard on the motion were acknowledged, were taken in order of request, and given that time which they needed to make their statements or ask their questions.

At approximately 8:15 p.m., the Board by roll call vote unanimously approved the acceptance of this Order and submitted it to the Town Administrator Christopher Dwelley for publishing within the Town as required. A proposed sign graphic for posting on entrances is attached, entitled "2021-09-08 Mask order signage eff 9-13-2021." The ORDER, entitled "2021-09-08 Dover Mask Order Effective 9-13-21," is attached, and signature execution will occur as necessary.

The Chair thanked all those present for the level of cordiality and politeness which had been shown by all those present, both those who spoke and those who only attended.

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded, and passed at 8:21 p.m.

