

## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes January 25, 2016

**7:00 pm** Meeting called to order by Board Chair, John Quinlan. Also in attendance were Selectmen Jack Esposito and Jim Whipple.

Patty Crooker from the Greater Nashua Public Health Network introduced herself to the Board and wanted to let the Board know how the Network is structured:

- The GNPHN is one of 13 regional public health networks in New Hampshire.
- There are 13 towns/cities in the GNPHN
- In our network, the Nashua Department of Public Health and Community Support is the liaison with the NH Department of Health and Human Services. They coordinate work with the region's Health partners.
- These health partners are asked to participate in the Public Health Advisory Committee (PHAC) and include; municipal and county governments, hospitals, school admin. units, community health centers, community mental health centers, businesses, cultural/faith based organizations, social service agencies, housing and sheltering organizations, media and senior services.
- The PHAC Executive Committee is comprised of decision makers from the above health partners, and provides leadership guidance to support health related efforts in the region.

Crooker explained that the Nashua Department of Public Health and Community Support conducts a Community Health Assessment for the 13 communities in the Region. That report identifies and measures current health issues and produces relevant detailed information and statistics. From there they develop a Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) that prioritizes health topics and creates an action plan.

Crooker handed out the 2015-2018 (CHIP) to the Board. It identified 8 areas of priority and strategies to improve:

1. Suicide Prevention
2. Mental Health
3. Substance Misuse
4. Obesity and Weight Management
5. Heart Disease and Stroke
6. Diabetes
7. Access to Health Care

### Emergency Preparedness

The Board thanked Crooker for coming in, and for all of the good work the Network does.

Greg Mattison came before the Board to discuss his estimates for the windows and siding on the McCollom Building. He explained in detail why the work required encompasses more than what the Board was considering. No decisions were made.

Board looked over the preliminary list of warrant articles for Town Meeting.

Board reviewed and signed checks and manifest.

**8:45 pm** As there was no further business before the Board, Whipple motioned, seconded by Esposito to adjourn. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Laurie M. Brown