

Connecticut River Area Health District (CRAHD)

Member Towns: Old Saybrook, Clinton, Deep River, Haddam, Chester, Killingworth, Durham

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Michael Dunne, M.D., Chair, Old Saybrook
Alan Schwarz, M.D., Old Saybrook
Rita Foster, Clinton
Michelle Benivegna, Clinton
Carol Jones, Deep River
Bob McGarry, Haddam
Cynthia Lignar, Chester
Eric Couture, Killingworth
William Kohlhepp, Durham



455 Boston Post Road, Suite 7
Old Saybrook, CT 06475

Phone: 860-661-3300

Web: www.crahd.info

MINUTES

Regular Board Meeting Tuesday November 12, 2024- 2:00 PM CRAHD Office or Video Zoom Meeting Option

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88633116564?pwd=dHalEqiSZwWOtWQU3M5rjs8dwpmDS5.1>

1. Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 2:05 PM

2. Board Member Roll Call

In Person: Alan Schwarz, William Kohlhepp

Remote: Michael Dunne, Cindy Lignar, Rita Foster, Michelle Benivegna,
Carol Jones, Eric Couture, Robert McGarry

Absent: None

Others Present: Scott Martinson, DOH, Sherry Carlson, PHN

3. Approval of Minutes – Dated August 13, 2024.

Minutes Approved – Schwarz, 2nd Kohlhepp – Approved 9-0

5. CRAHD/BOARD – Updates/Discussions

Martinson presented a PowerPoint slide show. In CT, the governor declared Friday November 8th as Environmental Health Professionals Day. The current drought in Ct was discussed as well as the district's annual report to Town's. Martinson also discussed the replacement of lead water service lines throughout CT, the mentoring of a high school student intern and the winter 24/25 free radon test kit campaign. There was also discussion regarding the Connecticut Community Violence Emergency Department Visit report and the Suicidal Ideation and self-harm report. CRAHD is currently applying for an FDA Food Service grant and CRAHD does not anticipate an increase in the Towns per capita for the 25/26 budget period. Carlson discussed the in office and mobile flu clinics for 2024/2025. As always, our vaccination clinics are open to anybody 3 years and over with or without insurance. There was also discussion regarding TB cases and lead cases. The Board discussed updating the existing by-laws and a small group will be formed to look over the by-laws and edit and/or update as needed.

Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 2:40 PM