

**Lyme Disease Committee  
of the  
Board of Health  
Dover, MA**

Minutes  
September 24, 2009

**Present: Marlayne Brace, William Herd, Barbara Roth-Schechter, Paul Tedesco, Steve Kruskall, Diane Fielding**

**Absent: Tim Holiner, Matthew Schmid**

**1. Approval of Meeting Minutes of 9-10-09**

**2. Speaker Update: Due to continuing difficulties to obtain agreement with Dr. Lepore about a speaking appointment as well as time constraints with the Lyme Disease Forum, it was decided to abandon any further effort to have him as speaker with the LDC.**

**The time for the Oct 15 LDC meeting was changed back to the original time:  
9:30 – 11:00 AM in LL Conf room.**

**3. LD Weblink Progress Report: Diane and Barbara will follow up with an LDC link from the BoH site.**

**4. LD Forum: Establish date, format, speaker, and times for presentation/ discussion of the LD Forum**

**Thursday, November 12, 7:30 to 9:00 PM was chosen as tentative date for the LD Forum provided the High School auditorium is available.**

**The format will be an informal presentation without slides or overhead projection for 45 minutes with 15 minutes of discussion, followed by a 30-minute clinical question and answer period; a two-sided handout with the critical information will be available for the attendants.**

**The *tentative* agenda, timing and speakers was delineated as follows:**

- Introduction (2 min, Barbara)**
- Tick life cycle (6 min, Marlayne)**

- **Managing personal protection against tick bites (6 min, Matthew or Marlayne)**
- **Managing protection of property and pets (6 min, Paul)**
- **Correlation between abundance of deer, deer ticks, and incidence of LD (20 min, Barbara)  
including  
presentation of Dover LD survey results and Mass Wildlife deer data  
other consequences of deer overabundance to the community  
Mass Wildlife-recommended deer management options**
- **Perspective of a life-time Dover resident (5 min, Matthew)**
- **Question and Answer session about all of the above (15 min, All)**
- **Question and Answer session about LD, clinical perspective (30 min, Steve)**

**5. Follow-up town-wide survey: A survey (to be designed) will be sent out by Nov 19 to be returned to the BoH no later than Dec 1 with the purpose of ascertaining the sentiments of Dover residents about a controlled deer hunt on public land.**

**6. Engage the cable company (John O'Keefe) at the appropriate time for recording and showing the LD forum town-wide (Paul)**

**7. Responsibilities for October 15 meeting:**

- Draft the handout for Nov 12 Forum – Marlayne**
- Draft/ finalize the Agenda for Nov 12 Forum – Marlayne**
- Draft questions for the town-wide survey – Steve**
- Draft news releases to local papers and Boston Globe West – Barbara**
- Time line for getting a BoH question onto the Dover Town meeting and/or ballot - Barbara**

**If possible, all items under # 7 should be circulated to all members of the LDC prior to the Oct 15 meeting for preliminary review by all**

**Barbara Roth-Schechter, Ph.D.  
October 15, 2009**