

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

**Meeting Minutes
August 25, 2011
10:00 AM - Lower Level Conference Room**

**Present: Paul Tedesco, Beth Webb, Barbara Roth-Schechter, Bill Herd (part-time), Diane Fielding, George Giunta, Tim Holiner
Absent: Steve Kruskall, Matthew Schmid, Mike Francis, Jay Walsh, Jim Palmer**

1. Review and Approval of the Final Minutes of July 28, 2011 meeting

2. Update on town and private land expansion for DMP– All

DLCT will make a final decision as to additional land allocation for this year's DMP at its September meeting. George verified and finalized several private properties in terms of number of hunters and placement of tree stands.

Hunter interviews will be scheduled during the week of August 29 and all LDC members will be informed for possible attendance.

3. Presentation and approval of LDC website - Tim

Tim presented a very extensive and well-organized outline for the LDC Dover website. He expanded some portions significantly based on the Connecticut Tick Management Handbook which will also be accessible via the LDC site. Several suggestions and revisions were made. All were accepted and approved by the committee. Tim agreed to finalize the website based on these suggestions and to provide it to all and submit it to Bill Clark for posting. Everybody agreed that it was a complete and very informative site for the Dover residents.

Ultimately, the hunting map (showing all Dover Town land open for hunting) will be posted on the Dover website prior to beginning of the hunting season.

4. Update on Mr. Simmons' visit re controlled burn– Bill

Bill informed the committee that Mr. Simmons will join the Sept 22 (not Sept 28!) meeting at 11:00 for a discussion of controlled burning

in Dover. George and Tim agreed that the map as prepared by Ross Whistler will be available at that time.

5. **Update on Sam Telford Research Project - Barbara**

Despite several attempts to elicit feedback by Sam for a draft grant application, Barbara has not heard from him.

6. **Update on BOH discussion regarding educational letter to area physicians– Barbara**

The BOH felt that it does not have regional responsibility to undertake education of physicians in the surrounding towns and hospitals. The BOH felt that this is the responsibility of DPH and suggested that DPH could be contacted (Dr. Di Maria's office 617-983-6550) with the suggestion to tie educational efforts on LD to CME credits. The committee agreed that this was a good approach.

7. **Other outstanding Issues – All**

The BOH is very much in favor of writing a letter to the BOS suggesting a blight law for Dover. The BOH would like to have some feedback as to the specs and the jurisdiction of the adjacent towns. The LDC will try to provide this information.

The LDC decided to have regular meetings every 2 weeks for the rest of the year from now on forward. Barbara will ascertain the availability of the LL Conf Room.

ATTENTION: GEORGE WILL PREPARE HIS SUPER-SPECIAL CHILI FOR LUNCH ON SEPTEMBER 22, 2011. Don't miss this meeting!!