

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

**Meeting Minutes
December 6, 2012**

Present: Steve Kruskall, Barbara Roth-Schechter, Mary Hable, Jim Palmer, Paul Tedesco, Matthew Schmid, Tim Holiner, George Giunta, Angela Wilson-Taylor, Diane Fielding

Absent: Mike Francis, Jay Walsh,

1. Review and Approval of the Minutes of Nov. 29, 2012 meeting

Approved after slight revisions

2. DMP update – Jim, George

As of Dec 6, a total of 23 deer had been harvested. No complaints or incidences were reported. A discussion concerning the jurisdiction of the land adjacent to the transfer station ensued (“The CAP”). It was decided to postpone any action on this land till the end of hunting season and discuss it for the 2013 season. One illegal tree stand was discovered, since it did not have any identification on it. The DMAs will try to track it. The LDC once again expressed appreciation and thanks to the DMAs for their extensive and diligent work.

A discussion about use of cross bows for hunting was initiated by Matthew based on an article in the WSJ.

3. TBD Survey 2012/13 – All

Further revisions were made to the survey, in particular the addition of one question concerning TBD in pets. The dates and collection sites were approved. Diane will print the surveys after final review with Barbara.

4. Tick-borne Diseases Forum – All

Need better Name: (Ecology has to be in the title!)

**FORUM ON
LYME AND OTHER TICK-BORNE DISEASES**

A general agenda was agreed upon for the Forum:

- **Introduction with presentation of survey results, sunny vs shady data, and overall reminder/ review of BOH-LDC activities (3-pronged approach), introduction of booths and Q/A session
10 -15 Min.**
- **Tom Rawinski covering ecological impact of deer over population
15-20 Min (Barbara established Tom's availability)**
- **Sam Telford covering tick life cycle, tick identification, other TBD, personal protection, property protection (send to booths!) , history
20 Min**
- **Sam Donta covering Lyme disease, acute and "chronic", symptoms, treatments, other TBD
20 Min**
- **Q/A session**

5. Another significant suggestion for a booth was made by Steve:

"Veterinarians treating Lyme and TBDs". Likely candidate Holly from Needham Chestnut Street Hospital.