

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

**Minutes
January 31, 2013**

Present: Steve Kruskall, Mary Hable, Paul Tedesco, Matthew Schmid, Angela Wilson-Taylor, Tim Holiner, Diane Fielding

Absent: Barbara Roth-Schechter, Jim Palmer, George Giunta, Mike Francis, Jay Walsh

1. Review and Approval of the Minutes of Jan 17, 2013 meeting

Unanimously approved

2. LDC Survey – preliminary results – Mary, Diane

445 surveys have now been received. Diane reported that some late ones are still trickling in. Mary presented the results of the surveys so far, and we should consider and let her know of any further analysis of the data that we might want to explore. Mary should have final numbers from the survey for further discussion at the next meeting. It was decided that the survey results would be first made public at the upcoming Lyme Disease forum on April 10.

Another letter from a resident was also received, Angela will respond.

3. Lyme Disease Forum - All

Steve reported that he spoke to Tom French; he is unfortunately unavailable to attend as a speaker. He suggested contacting Elissa Landre from Broadmoor Sanctuary. Matthew will speak to Elissa.

It was decided that we have room for 5 tables at the forum, 2 inside the hall, and 3 outside in the lobby area. Ideas for the table were discussed, Veterinarian, Deer Management, Property Protection, Personal Protection, Ecology. Steve will speak to Holly Kelsey (Vet) to see if she would like to attend. George and Jim would be responsible for Deer Management, and whether they would like to enlist any further help from other hunters. Mention was made of handouts for tables, everyone should think about who will compile and produce the information.

4. **Summer Internship- All**

Ideas were put out for thought for the summer project for the DPH intern in addition to the extension of the sunny v shady project – ideas put forward were : screening asymptomatic animals for Lyme, topology project to determine where deer might be concentrated, and education regarding prophylactic use of antibiotics. Ideas to be discussed further at future meetings.