

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

**Minutes April 18, 2013**

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

**Absent: Tim Holiner, Mike Francis, Jay Walsh, Diane Fielding**

1. **Review and Approval of the Minutes of March 28, 2013 meeting**  
Minutes were approved unanimously

2. **Review of Forum of April 10, 2013- ALL**

The overall consensus was that the Forum had been a worthwhile and successful effort in educating residents of Dover and surrounding towns about all aspects of tick-borne diseases.

3. **DPH Internship Summer 2013 Planning - All**

Subsequent to a conversation with Matt Osborne (MDPH) Barbara agreed to accept a DPH intern despite our initial reluctance to do so. The members of the LDC agreed that the project of tick density in sunny versus shady transects was a worthwhile project to confirm. Unless other developments emerge, Barbara will supervise the project, George and Jim agreed to teach Julie dragging in mid-May, and all the necessary equipment is available in the BOH office. Diane agreed to support Julie the same way she had supported Meagan. Barbara will contact DPH and make the necessary arrangements.

4. **LDC 'Data' archive - Barbara**

Subsequent to the preparation and organization of the LTBD Forum, Barbara suggested that an 'Archive' of all LDC projects, contacts, data and other efforts be created. Ideally, such an archive should contain results of all town surveys, of local research projects, of the DMP, of all external communications and other efforts and accomplishments. No

**specific format was agreed upon, but Barbara will present the project to the BOH for approval On April 22. Following a discussion it was agreed that all members will give feedback to Mary as to what should be included in such a project and in what format. All ideas and suggestions will be summarized by Mary and circulated prior to our next meeting on May 2. Thereafter, if deemed necessary, Bill Clark could be contacted to help in the creation of such a ‘data base’.**

**5. Upkeep of the LDC Website – Barbara**

**The subject of our LDC website was raised again by Barbara. Although all relevant TBD information is presently available at the site – thanks to the efforts by Matthew and Barbara in collaboration with Bill Clark – a member of the LDC should ideally be tracking this website. Although discussed to some extent, no resolution was reached. Members were encouraged to present their suggestions at the May 2 LDC meeting.**