

The meeting of the Melrose Board of Health came to order by Chair Garipay on December 15, 2020 at 7:03 pm remotely. Present at the meeting were Board members Frank Brincheiro, Maurine Garipay, and Carol Ann Licitra as well as staff Ruth Clay.

Public participation:

Approval of minutes of October 27, 2020: Motion by Brincheiro, seconded by Licitra to approve the minutes with the addition that the school department data has been added to the City dashboard. Vote: Brincheiro yea, Licitra yea, Garipay yea 3:0:0

Approval of minutes of November 2, 2020: tabled

Health Director's report:

- Clay noted that Theo's Pizzeria has paid their ticket for violations of the COVID-19 face covering order
- The new candy store on W Emerson, Yara's, has opened with positive reviews
- Food inspections are going well and are on track
- As of today there were 879 cumulative positive Covid-19 tests in Melrose. The clusters are primarily household clusters.
- Melrose Wakefield Hospital is close to capacity but has room to set additional beds if necessary.
- Two new Stop the Spread sites will be opening in Revere and Lynn

Next meeting will be January 19, 2021.

Materials distributed:

Agenda

Draft minutes of October 27, 2020

Draft minutes of November 2, 2020

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,

*Ruth L. Clay*

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Health Director