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A Conference Call was held on May 8, 2020 at 1:00 pm.

Present: Stephen Curry, Director; Sandra Knipe, R.N.B.S.N.; John Bogdasarian, M.D., Chairman; Ian Murray, Board Member.

Emergency meeting to adopt the Director of Public Health Order Requiring Face Coverings in Public Places Where Social Distancing is not possible pursuant to Governor Bakers Orders:

Dr. Bogdasarian opened the meeting of the BOH regarding the approval of Directors order regarding facial coverings during the COVID-19 pandemic. Mr. Curry stated this order mimics the Governors orders and each individual town has to adopt what the Governor has set forth. This order allows the BOH to order the police to join in on the enforcement. Mr. Curry stated he spoke with Chief Martineau of the Fitchburg Police Department and all the police cruisers are equipped with surgical masks and the idea is to get compliance rather than violence. The police will offer masks to individuals if they aren't wearing them.

Ms. Knipe made a motion to approve the order by the Fitchburg Board of Health to enforce the face coverings in public places.

Motion was 2nd by Ian Murray. All were in favor. Motion carries.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:45 pm.