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The May 22, 2014 Informational Meeting of the Belmont Board of Health was called to order at 7:00 pm by Donna S. David, R.N., M.N., Chair.

Those present were Donna S. David, R.N., M.N., Chair, Angela Braun, R.S., Assistant Director, Maria Reddington, Clerk.

The Informational Meeting related to Youth Tobacco Access, Nicotine Delivery Devices, and a Proposal to Raise the Age to Purchase Tobacco Products and Nicotine Delivery Devices to 21.

Ms. David and Ms. Braun answered questions from Mr. Franklin Tucker, Editor of the Belmontonian. Some of the items discussed were:

1. Belmont's participation in a five community collaborative (Arlington, Belmont, Brookline, Newton and Watertown) to increase the Minimum Legal Sale Age (MLSA) to purchase tobacco and nicotine delivery device products. The collaborative was formed, and is paid, by grant funds.
2. 18 Communities in the State of Massachusetts have increased the MLSA to 21.
3. In 2012, The Belmont Board of Health raised the minimum age to purchase tobacco products to 19.
4. Ms. David and Ms. Braun noted their increased concern about nicotine delivery devices.
5. The Board of Health will discuss amending the Tobacco regulation during the June 16, 2014 Meeting.

The Informational Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Donna S. David, R.N., M.N., Chair