

Special Board of Selectmen Meeting Agenda  
September 21, 2023 @ 4:00 PM  
200 School Street, Room # 109  
Putnam, CT 06260

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1. Call to order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Communication with NDDH
4. Adjournment



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September 20, 2023

Members of the Board of Directors  
Northeast District Department of Health  
69 South Main Street, Unit 4  
Brooklyn, CT 06234

Dear Members:

I'm writing as Mayor of the Town of Putnam, with support from the Town's Board of Selectmen regarding the recent activity and lack of communication from NDDH.

There have been several issues that have surfaced over the past year that are not only unsettling, but directly impact the residents in our town and the community. The elimination of the position of the Education and Communication Director, Linda Colangelo, the way this elimination took place, the fact that NDDH will no longer run a grant-funded initiative to address Rural health or conduct activities related to chronic disease prevention, the significant increase in per capita charges for services, lack of communication and overall responsiveness is unacceptable. The Town of Putnam is discouraged by the leadership, and poor management decisions of NDDH and would like the opportunity to discuss its concerns with the entire Board.

The Town of Putnam is known as a leader in Windham County with respect to restaurants and community service. To no longer provide an Education and Communication Director will not only impact our residents, but also the economic stability of our Town.

As a result of these issues, and several other concerns, the Town of Putnam is reconsidering its membership in NDDH and is exploring its alternatives.

Sincerely,

Norman B. Seney, Jr