

**WATCHUNG
BOARD OF HEALTH
MINUTES
JUNE 18, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER-

President's Statement-

Under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., notice of the time and place of this meeting has been posted and sent to the official newspapers.

ROLL CALL-

Robert Riedinger (P) Fran Ellis (A) Harriet Stambaugh (A) Bruce Ruck (P) Peter Savulich (P)
Ron Jubin (P) Lynn Franklin Franklin (P) Mohamed Husain (P)

Also present was Middlebrook Representative Kevin Sumner

CONSENT AGENDA:

APPROVAL OF APRIL 16, 2014 MINUTES

Lynn Franklin moved the minutes of April 16, 2014 be approved with a second by Bruce Ruck, all members present were in favor.

REPORT OF VITAL STATISTICS: APRIL/MAY

APRIL
Births: Male – 1 Female – 0
Deaths: Male- 1 Female - 3
Marriages - 2
Domestic Partnerships – 0

MAY
Births: Male – 1 Female – 2
Deaths: Male – 1 Female- 2
Marriages - 5
Domestic Partnerships - 0

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS

President Riedinger moved the following resolution with a second by Lynn Franklin and upon roll call the vote was as follows: Riedinger, Ruck, Savulich, Jubin, Franklin, Husain, “aye”

R1:06/18/14 Appointing Shelini Parikh as an Alternate Registrar for a three year term

HEALTH OFFICERS REPORTS - April/May 2014

Bruce Ruck asked about the bat exposure incident. He said the residents posted on facebook asking for advice on what they should do. Mr. Ruck said he responded that they should contact the local health department. He also suggested to the residents that they should consider the rabies treatment. Kevin said the local Health Department can only make recommendations according to the State guidelines which says to refer them to their physician. He said if the physician has questions regarding treatment they should contact the local Board of Health not the State for further information.

Peter had a question regarding massage establishments and Kevin said the only thing the Board of Health can do is inspect the location. There was also a question on the establishment called Jersey/vapor (E-cigarettes). Kevin responded establishments can sell the product but they cannot allow “vaping” in the building. Lynn Franklin asked if the Board of Health keeps records of all homes that have a well and also those with septic systems. Kevin said there are records from around 1970 on for homes that have either had work on their systems. If no work has been performed on a septic system prior to 1970 there are no records. When a home is being sold and there is a well the owner must have the well tested and the results are sent to Middlebrook who will then issue a letter that the well is okay and the homeowner should keep this information with the home's paper work.

COMMISSION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Kevin reported there were two Food Handler courses held, both in Green Brook, one in the morning and one in the evening with the evening session being in both English and Spanish and approximately 69 establishments sending employees to these courses.

Kevin also reported the Residential Pool Safety information is up and running with a static picture video on the Commission website. He said they will also be doing a video with “live” people. Greg Rielly is putting this together with a student from the high school and a resident in Warren has volunteered the use of their pool for the video. Kevin said he has distributed fliers to all the pool supply companies in the area.

REPORT OF REPRESENTATIVE TO MIDDLE BROOK –April/May 2014

Kevin reported that the Commission talked about the pool safety program and the Adult immunization information flier was approved. He said a letter will be going out later this summer or early fall to physicians encouraging them to discuss immunizations with their patients. They also discussed the Red Light Camera issue with most members not interested in pursuing this. It was suggested to send a letter to the Governing Bodies raising their awareness of issues with the Red Light Cameras.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was further discussion on carbon monoxide monitors for businesses. Kevin said there are no requirements for businesses in New Jersey, one of the reasons being most stores are not open 24 hours. Bruce Ruck asked how we could go about making it a requirement in Watchung. Kevin said this is not a Board of Health issue that it falls under the Uniform Construction Code and would have to be addressed by the Laws and Ordinance Committee and the Borough Attorney.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion – grease traps – Kevin said he met with the Laws and Ordinance Committee and they have amended the Grease trap ordinance. This amendment gives the health inspector the authority to check that there is a trap in place and the requirement that all establishments must supply three reports per year. He said he agreed to manage the reporting and Robyn Key will do the inspection when she does the routine food inspections.

Robert Riedinger asked if the Borough Police and EMS are carrying NARCAN and Kevin said he will check this. Bruce said only EMS needs approval to carry this and they have been approved. Police are not considered first responders and do not need approval, however they are approved to carry this.

Lynn Franklin reported that she spoke to Police Chief Joe Cina regarding the possibility of having a Drug Drop-Off Box at Police Headquarters. Chief Cina is okay with this as long as the box is stationary. She said once the box is full the drugs are picked up by the Prosecutors office. She said she then spoke to Kim Otto and found out we could get money from the Municipal Alliance to do this since that is what their purpose is. Ms. Franklin then mentioned the pool safety and adult immunization fliers. She said both Fran Ellis and she took them to the Community Picnic to distribute. She said she would like to have a Board of Health table with some volunteers to give out these fliers at the Harvest Festival.

NON CONSENT AGENDA

INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE BH:14-01 entitled “AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH OF THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG ADOPTING AND ENACTING THE BOARD OF HEALTH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG, 2014, COUNTY OF SOMERSET, NEW JERSEY.”

President Riedinger moved the following resolution with a second by Lynn Franklin and upon roll call the vote was as follows: Riedinger, Ruck, Savulich, Jubin, Franklin, Husain, “aye

R2:06/18/14 Introduction of BH:14-01-Adopting and Enacting the Board of Health Code

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Middle-Brook Regional Health Commission – 2014 – 34d Quarter - \$23,038.00
Plainfield Area Humane Society – June-\$1,767 and July/Autust @\$1,557 each - \$ 5,101.00

Bruce Ruck moved to approve payment of bills with a second by Ronald Jubin and upon roll call the vote as follows: Riedinger, Ruck, Savulich, Jubin, Franklin, Husain, “aye

PUBLIC PORTION

No public was in attendance

ADJOURNMENT

The next scheduled meeting will be held on September 17, 2014 at 7:00 PM at Borough Hall, 15 Mountain Boulevard, Watchung, NJ 07069

Respectfully submitted,

MaryAnn Hance
Board of Health Secretary