

The regular meeting of the Board of Health was called to order by Board Secretary Tonya Tardibuono at the above time and date. The Compliance Statement as required by the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L. 1975, and Chapter 231 was read by the Board Secretary.

Appointments Re-Appointments by the Mayor and Council

Mayor Misciagna was in attendance to swear in the following members:

Ms. Tatiana Breslow – Alternate #2 (term ending December 31, 2021)

Dr. Leigh Weiss (term ending December 31, 2021) will be sworn in at a later time.

Roll Call

Present: Ms. Deppert, Dr. Miller, Ms. Scheulen, Mr. Spies, Dr. Valas and Ms. Breslow

Excused: Dr. Lincoln and Dr. Weiss

Also Present: Ms. Caperino – Principal Registered Environmental Health Specialist
Councilwoman Epstein, Council Liaison
Ms. Tardibuono – Board Secretary

Nomination for the Office of President for the Year 2022

Dr. Valas made a motion to nominate Dr. Robert Lincoln as President of the Board of Health.

There were no other nominations for President.

Ms. Tardibuono requested a motion to close the nomination and to elect Dr. Lincoln as President of the Board of Health.

Ms. Deppert made a motion to close the nomination and to elect Dr. Lincoln as President of the Board of Health.

Members of the Board were all in favor with the nomination.

Nomination for the Office of Vice President for the Year 2022

Dr. Valas made a motion to nominate Dr. Marilyn Miller as Vice President of the Board of Health.

There were no other nominations for Vice President.

Ms. Tardibuono requested a motion to close the nomination and to elect Dr. Miller as Vice President of the Board of Health.

Ms. Deppert made a motion to close the nomination and to elect Dr. Miller as Vice President of the Board of Health.

Members of the Board were all in favor with the nomination.

Approval of Resolution #2022-1

Ms. Deppert made a motion to approve the scheduled meeting dates for 2022 and the reorganization date of January 19, 2023. Ms. Breslow seconded the motion. Members of the Board approved the motion. The meeting dates are as follows:

January 20

February 17

March 17

April 21

May 19

June 16

September 15

October 20

November 17

December 15

Reorganization - January 19, 2023

Invoices: Invoices for December 2021 / January 2022

US Postal Service - \$31.80

Park Ridge Animal Hospital - \$400.00

Payroll - \$441.01

Motion to approve the invoices for December 2021 / January 2022 was made by Mr. Spies, seconded by Ms. Breslow and carried by all members.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the meeting minutes for the November 18, 2021 meeting was made by Ms. Deppert, seconded by Dr. Valas and carried by all members eligible to vote.

Reports: The following activity reports are on file in the Borough Board of Health Office.

REHS Monthly Reports for November & December 2021: Ms. Caperino went over the submitted report.

Ms. Caperino spoke about the following items....

Marc's Deli - Summons for repeated violations (mouse droppings, handwashing and food storage). The establishment was posted satisfactory by the end of December. A discussion took place pertaining to the summons procedure. Ms. Caperino stated that a summons is a last resort as Public Health Officers they are all about education and compliance.

Mochimoly – A new donut and hot dog establishment that recently opened in the Borough.

Council Report: Councilwoman Epstein wished the Board a happy 2022. Dr. Valas asked about the status of the well situation in town. Councilwoman Epstein mentioned that the DEP lowered the well standards as of December 1, 2021 and that is why we were no longer compliant. This is happening across the state because of the standards being lowered. The contaminated wells have been taken out of service and the town is trying to remediate the wells before they are put back into service. Due to the expense of the remediation the town would most likely have to bond. A question was asked if Woodcliff Lake would be required to help with the cost of the remediation. Councilwoman Epstein responded by saying she doesn't believe so. A discussion was then had by all members regarding the maintenance of the wells. The total number of wells is twenty-two. Dr. Miller commented that the Board of Health members were caught off guard and asked if in the future they can receive prior notice. Councilman Epstein apologized and explained that this issue escalated very quickly but assured the Board they would receive prior notice in the future.

Health Consultation Reports: The Board went over the submitted November & December 2021 reports.

Immunization Reports: The Board went over the submitted reports from West Ridge Elementary and Our Lady of Mercy Academy.

Monthly Dog License Reports – The Board went over the reports from June-December 2021.

Correspondence: The Board discussed the following items:
WSP – 55 Park Avenue

Old Business: No old business to discuss.

New Business:

Ms. Tardibuono announced that all 2022 Board of Health licenses have been received.

Ms. Tardibuono spoke about the Borough changing the format for their zoom meetings.

Dr. Valas spoke about attending the latest CHIP meeting and then discussed the following items:

- Food Safety / Nutrition.
- Mayor Wellness Committee along with the Diversity Committee and the Board of Health.
- NJ Local Board monthly meetings.
- Home Baking now allowed in New Jersey.
- Towns with less than 30,000 residents can have their Mayor & Council act as their Board of Health with stipulations.

Ms. Breslow spoke about having a Covid 19 discussion in Park Ridge.

Public Comment: There were no members of the public present.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Deppert at 8:23 pm, seconded by Dr. Valas and carried by all members. The next meeting is scheduled virtually for February 17, 2022 at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

.....*Tonya Tardibuono*.....

Tonya Tardibuono, BOH Secretary