

The regular meeting of the Board of Health was called to order by Board President Dr. Lincoln 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.

Roll Call

Present: Dr. Lincoln, Ms. Kearny, Dr. Miller, Ms. Deppert (7:40 p.m.), Dr. Valas and Mr. Spies.

Also Present: Ms. Caperino – Principal Registered Environmental Health Specialist
Councilman Goldsmith, Council Liaison
Ms. Tonya Janeiro – Board Secretary

Invoices: Invoices from May 24, 2023 to September 12, 2023.

Motion to approve the invoices from May 24, 2023 to September 12, 2023 was made by Dr. Valas, seconded by Ms. Kearney and carried by all members.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the meeting minutes for the June 15, 2023 meeting was made by Dr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Spies 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 June, July & August 2023: Ms. Caperino went over the submitted reports. Ms. Caperino spoke about the following items....

Opened all pools in May and completed regular inspections over the summer.

Completed all youth camp inspections.

There are two new businesses coming to town - Barrell House and Sophie's Bakery.

A brief discussion regarding the rat issue in June took place. Ms. Caperino said no further complaints were received.

Health Consultation Reports: The Board went over the submitted June, July & August 2023 reports.

Communicable Disease Reports: The Board went over the submitted June, July & August 2023 reports.

Animal Control Responses Reports – The Board went over the submitted June, July & August 2023 reports.

Vital Statistics Reports – The Board went over the submitted 2nd Quarter 2023 reports.

Ms. Deppert joined the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Council Report: Councilman Bruce Goldsmith spoke about the following items....

Sent sample ordinance from the borough attorney regarding animal restrictions. A brief discussion about this matter took place.

Correspondence:

The Board went over the following correspondences...

TTI Environmental, Inc – 129 Prospect Avenue, Woodcliff Lake July 10, 2023
WSP – 55 Park Avenue July 17, 2023

Old Business: The Board discussed the following items:

Rabies Clinic – The rabies clinic is scheduled for November 1, 2023 from 6:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Virtual / In-Person Meetings - A Board discussion took place regarding the pros and cons of virtual meetings. Some members believe we should be meeting face to face, while other members believe Zoom meetings are more productive. It was decided that the meetings will resume on Zoom for now. The January 2024 Re-organization meeting will be in person.

New Business: The Board discussed the following items:

A discussion took place regarding the vacancies on the Board. The Board asked Ms. Janeiro to have the Borough advertise the vacancies on their social media pages. The Board would like to see the new member(s) have a background in the food industry or public health.

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

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Deppert at 7:59 pm, seconded by Dr. Valas and carried by all members. The next meeting is scheduled virtually for October 19, 2023 at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Tonya Janeiro
Board of Health Secretary