

REGULAR MEETING OF THE OAKLAND BOARD OF HEALTH

February 17, 2015 - 7:30 p.m.

Conference Room - Municipal Building, Municipal Plaza, Oakland, NJ

REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Tiffinger called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Ostapczuk, Mr. Talucci, Mr. Tiffinger, Ms. West

ABSENT MEMBERS

Ms. Blanco was absent due to illness.

Motion of Mr. Ostapczuk, seconded by Mr. Talucci, Ms. Blanco's absence was excused.

Roll Call: All Yeas - Mr. Ostapczuk, Mr. Talucci, Mr. Tiffinger, Ms. West

OTHERS PRESENT

Council Liaison Pasquale Pignatelli, Senior R.E.H.S. Deborah McGrath and Thomas J. Romans, Esq.

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. Tiffinger announced that the meeting was being held in accordance with the regulations of the Public Meetings Law, notices of which were sent to The Record, Suburban Trends and any other persons requesting same.

REGULAR BUSINESS

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the January minutes.

On motion of Ms. West, seconded by Mr. Ostapczuk, the minutes were approved.

Roll Call: All Yeas – Mr. Ostapczuk, Mr. Talucci, Mr. Tiffinger, Ms. West

REVIEW REPORTS

The Board reviewed the following reports:

- Monthly REHS' Report – January
- Secretary's/Registrar's Report – January
- Tyco Animal Control Report – December 2014 & January 2015
- BCDHS Public Health Nursing Activity Report – January

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- BCDHS Public Health Nursing School Audit Report

On motion of Ms. West, seconded by Mr. Ostapczuk, the reports were accepted.

Roll Call: All Yeas – Mr. Ostapczuk, Mr. Talucci, Mr. Tiffinger, Ms. West

PAYMENT OF BILLS

The Board reviewed the following bills:

2014 BILLS

2/3/2015 – Abbey Glen Pet Memorial Park (December Animal Carcass Cremation)	\$ 56.00
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2/3/2015 – Tyco Animal Control (December Animal Control Emergency Calls – One)	\$ 60.00
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2015 BILLS

1/31/2015 – North Jersey Media Group (Publish 2015 Professional Services Resolution)	\$ 93.99
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2/3/2015 – Tyco Animal Control (Monthly Animal Control Services – January)	\$1,250.00
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2/12/2015 – Bergen Passaic Registrar's Assn. (2015 Dues for Registrar & Deputy Registrar)	\$ 20.00
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2/17/2015 – Thomas J. Romans, Esq. (For professional services rendered in February)	\$ 217.50
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On motion of Ms. West, seconded Mr. Talucci, the Board approved the bills for payment.

Roll Call: All Yeas – Mr. Ostapczuk, Mr. Talucci, Mr. Tiffinger, Ms. West

RESOLUTION #3-15 –AMEND 2014 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT

On motion of Mr. Ostapczuk, seconded by Mr. Talucci, Resolution #2-15 that increases contract amount by \$50 was adopted in order to pay Mr. Roman's December 2014 retainer.

Roll Call: All Yeas - Mr. Ostapczuk, Mr. Talucci, Mr. Tiffinger, Ms. West

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

BOARD OF HEALTH CONTACT LIST

Mr. Talucci noted the need for a correction to his work cell phone number. Once contact information is obtained from the two new members being sworn in at the March meeting, a new list will be printed and distributed.

RADON AWARENESS PROGRAM

Inspector McGrath addressed the Board about an article on radon awareness that appeared in the February issue of New Jersey Municipalities. Two programs are available to municipalities. One is to purchase test kits that can be given out to residents. The Borough can then apply for reimbursement up to \$1,000. The other program is a Radon Action Partnership packet which is brochures and other give-aways for to raise awareness.

The Board discussed the matter and directed Ms. Dubowick to apply for a Radon Action Partnership Packet. Council Liaison Pignatelli said the information could be put up on the website and if there is a video, it could be put up on Channel 77. Mr. Tiffinger also suggested placing an article about radon in Crossroads.

FLU VACCINE

Ms. Dubowick reported that Bergen County Department of Health Services is taking orders for flu vaccine. Oakland's 2015 Senior Flu Shot Program was run by Oakland Drug instead of the County because of the savings the Borough would realize. The County has no means to prescreen seniors for eligibility and charges Oakland for claims rejected by Medicare. Oakland Drug charges nothing for the vaccine, submits claims to Medicare and bills participants if their claims are rejected. Through Oakland Drug, there is no cost to the Borough. Ms. Dubowick said some of the seniors complained last year that they had to wait to get their shots. Council Liaison Pignatelli suggested dividing the program into four time slots and designating a section of the alphabet for each time slot.

Though there are many places in town where seniors may be vaccinated and participation in the program is lower than ever, Council Liaison Pignatelli was of the opinion that seniors would complain if the town did not offer a Flu Shot Program. As a result, the Board decided to offer a Senior Flu Shot Program this year and to have Oakland Drug run it.

CROSSROADS ARTICLE

Mr. Tiffinger asked if anyone had prepared an article.

It was agreed that the current outbreak of measles makes vaccination a very timely and important topic, so Mr. Talucci was asked to prepare an article, under 350 words, on the subject. The cutoff for submitting the article to Administrator Kunze is Monday, February 23rd. Mr. Talucci indicated his schedule is very busy at the moment and, therefore, wasn't sure if he'd be able to meet the deadline. As a backup, Ms. Dubowick was asked to prepare an article on radon.

PROUD TO BE STIGMA FREE CAMPAIGN

Council Liaison Pignatelli reported that he had been asked to bring this campaign to the community by the Mayor who recently attended a program about it at the County. Council Liaison Pignatelli said he would like some members of the Board of Health to join the committee. There are action items that must be met and a lot that needs to be done. Council Liaison Pignatelli said he will discuss this further with the Board at the March meeting.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

No other business to report.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of, Mr. Ostapczuk, seconded by Mr. Talucci, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Roll Call: All Yeas – Mr. Ostapczuk, Mr. Talucci, Mr. Tiffinger, Ms. West

APPROVED:

Stephen C. Tiffinger, President

ATTEST: _____
Karin Kennedy Dubowick, Secretary

DATE: _____