# REGULAR MEETING OF THE OAKLAND BOARD OF HEALTH

## March 8, 2010 - 7:30 p.m.

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

## CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Beattie called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

## ROLL CALL

Mr. Beattie, Dr. Davis, Mr. Ostapczuk, Mr. Talucci, Mr. Tiffinger, Ms. Wilgus

## OTHERS PRESENT

Council Liaison Pasquale Pignatelli, Senior Sanitary Inspector (REHS) Deborah A. McGrath, and Thomas J. Romans, Esq.

## MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. Beattie 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 minutes of February 8, 2010 were reviewed. On motion of Mr. Ostapczuk, seconded by Dr. Davis, the minutes were approved.

ROLL CALL: All Yeas – Mr. Beattie, Dr. Davis, Mr. Ostapczuk, Mr. Talucci, Mr. Tiffinger, Ms. Wilgus

**REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS**

- Sanitarian's (REHS') Monthly Report – February 2010
- Secretary's Registrar's Monthly Report – February 2010
- Tyco Animal Control Report – February 2010
- Bergen County Dept. of Health Services Health Education Report – 2nd Half 2009

On motion of Mr. Tiffinger, seconded by Mr. Talucci, the reports were accepted.

ROLL CALL: All Yeas - Mr. Beattie, Dr. Davis, Mr. Ostapczuk, Mr. Talucci, Mr. Tiffinger, Ms. Wilgus

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**
The Board reviewed the following bills.

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| 2/2/2010 – North Jersey Media Group<br>(Publish 2010 Meeting Notice in the Record) | $ 52.41 |
| 2/9/2010 – Thomas J. Romans, Esq.<br>(Attendance at February 8th BOH Meeting) | $ 208.00 |

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| 2/22/2010 – Tyco Animal Control<br>(February Animal Control Services & 2 Emergency Calls) | $1,270.00 |
| 3/1/2010 – AM/PM Services<br>(Registration fee for Registrar's attendance at 3/19 Recertification Class) | $ 184.00 |
| 3/8/2010 – Thomas J. Romans Esq.<br>(Attendance at March 8th BOH Meeting) | $ 208.00 |

On motion of Ms. Wilgus, seconded by Dr. Davis, the bills were approved for payment.

ROLL CALL: All Yeas – Mr. Beattie, Dr. Davis, Mr. Ostapczuk, Mr. Talucci, Mr. Tiffinger, Ms. Wilgus

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**UPDATE ON 2010 HEALTH LICENSING STATUS**
Inspector McGrath reported that the owners/managers of six establishments issued summonses for not obtaining food licenses appeared in court last week. Five establishments were fined $50 each; Zeytinia was fined $100 for not licensing until two days prior to the court date. Each of the six establishments paid $33 in court costs.

**UPDATE ON MASSAGE THERAPY/PARLOR ORDINANCE**
At the request of Mr. Pignatelli, Borough Attorney Brian Chewcaski researched the legality of adopting a local ordinance to license/regulate massage therapists/establishments. Mr. Chewcaski's letter of 2/16/10 to Borough Administrator Kunze reports that N.J.S.A. 45:11-78 would supersede any municipal ordinance or regulation; therefore, this matter was tabled.

## NEW BUSINESS

**BLOOD DRIVE**
In response to a request from Community Blood Services, the Board agreed to hold another blood drive on Tuesday, June 22nd, from 3:30 PM to 7 PM. Ms. Dubowick will check with the Director of the Senior Center to be sure the lot will be available to park the Bloodmobile.

**ILLNESS OUTBREAKS**
Inspector McGrath addressed the Board about two illness outbreaks that had occurred over the span of a week at two different restaurants in town. Inspections of both restaurants were satisfactory and swab testing results were fine. The food that was served was not available for testing. None of the attendees who became ill went for stool testing; therefore, a definitive diagnosis could not be determined. Inspector McGrath forwarded to the public health nurses at the County and Valley Hospital all the information obtained from the investigations she and Inspector Jernick conducted. No further follow-up was done due to the lack of a diagnosis. With a Norovirus circulating, it was felt that this was the most likely cause of both outbreaks.

**RABIES**
Inspector McGrath reported that a cat that had been in quarantine had died. The head was sent to Trenton for testing and the results came back negative; therefore the owner of the cat did not need post exposure rabies shots..

## ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Beattie spoke about an e-mail received from Bergen County Department of Health Services. The e-mail concerned protocol to be followed during illness outbreak investigations. The Board discussed the matter and directed Ms. Dubowick to send a letter to the Director of the Bergen County Dept. of Health Services addressing 1) the party responsible for ensuring proper protocol is followed during an illness outbreak, 2) requesting that the County's

standard procedures be forwarded to Valley Hospital, and 3) that future communication regarding procedure and requests for updates be sent directly to Valley Hospital and REHS staff, with a copy sent to the Oakland Health Department.

Mr. Beattie also addressed the Board about a recent decline in department revenue caused by the local funeral director no longer filing death certificates or obtaining certified copies in Oakland. Funeral directors may legally file death certificates and obtain certified copies in several different locales. The Board discussed the situation and directed Ms. Dubowick to contact the State Registrar for his advice.

## ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Dr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Tiffinger, the meeting was adjourned at 9:07 PM.

Roll Call: All Yeas – Mr. Beattie, Dr. Davis, Mr. Ostapczuk, Mr. Talucci, Mr. Tiffinger, Ms. Wilgus

APPROVED:

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Ronald J. Beattie, President

ATTEST: _____
Karin Kennedy Dubowick, Secretary

DATE: _____