

**REGULAR MEETING
of the
OAKLAND BOARD OF HEALTH**

March 19, 2019 - 7:30 p.m.

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

REGULAR BUSINESS

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

All Yeas – Ms. Ashkenazi, Mr. Ashkenazi, Mr. LaForgia, Mr. Provenziale, Mr. Talucci, Mr. Tiffinger, Ms. West

OTHERS PRESENT

Council Liaison Pasquale Pignatelli, Board of Health Attorney Thomas J. Romans, Senior REHS Kristin Caperino and Bergen County RN Maria Colasante

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.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the February meeting minutes.

On motion of Mr. LaForgia, seconded by Mr. Provenziale, the February minutes were approved.

Roll Call: All Yeas – Ms. Ashkenazi, Mr. Ashkenazi, Mr. LaForgia, Mr. Provenziale, Mr. Talucci, Mr. Tiffinger and Ms. West

REVIEW REPORTS

The Board reviewed the following reports:

- BCDHS Public Health Nursing & Activity Report & CDRSS Report – February
- REHS' Monthly Report – February
- Tyco Animal Control Report – February
- Secretary's/Registrar's Report – February

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

Roll Call: All Yeas – Ms. Ashkenazi, Mr. Ashkenazi, Mr. LaForgia, Mr. Provenziale, Mr. Talucci, Mr. Tiffinger, Ms. West

PAYMENT OF BILLS

The Board reviewed the following bills:

Services Charged to 2018 Budget:

02/14/2019 - Bergen County Department of Health Services	\$ 1,080.00
(Blood-borne Pathogens Training for 60 First Responders, per 2018-2019 Contract)	

Services Charged to 2019 Budget:

02/28/2019 – Tyco Animal Control	\$ 1,300.00
(Monthly Animal Control Services – February, per 2019 Contract)	

02/28/2019 – Tyco Animal Control	\$ 60.00
(Animal Control Emergency Responses, per 2019 Contract - February - 1)	

03/19/2019 – Thomas J. Romans, Esq.	\$ 243.75
(Retainer due for attending 03/19/2019 BOH Meeting, per Contract)	

On motion of Mr. LaForgia, seconded by Mr. Provenziale, the Board approved the bills for payment.

Roll Call: All Yeas – Ms. Ashkenazi, Mr. Ashkenazi, Mr. LaForgia, Mr. Provenziale, Mr. Talucci, Mr. Tiffinger, Ms. West

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

MEDICAL AND LEGAL EFFECTS OF MARIJUANA

Mr. Pignatelli reported that he scheduled this talk for April 11th, 12:30 PM, at the Senior Center. Since Pat Swanson from the Senior Center said the talk should last for 45 minutes to maximum of one hour, Dr. Ryan Straseskie will spend 15 minutes addressing the medical effects, Assembly woman Holly Shepisi will speak for 15 minutes and John McCann will speak for 15 minutes on the legal matters involving marijuana legislation. The last 15 minutes will be devoted to questions and answers. The hope is those in attendance will speak to their families about what they learned at the talk. If the schools are interested in the program, Mr. Pignatelli said he will make separate arrangements for the same program to be offered.

Mr. Talucci said, for the sake of trivia, there were pamphlets and information put out in the 1970's by the Department of Health and PADA (Pharmacists Against Drug Abuse) warning people about the effects of and potential problems with marijuana, cocaine and other opioid use. Mr. Talucci had copies of the pamphlets and a talk directed at an adult audience for the Board to look at and said he recognized some of the information could be outdated.

Mr. Pignatelli said another talk about marijuana legalization is being offered on March 21st at the Wyckoff YMCA where five speakers will present.

NEW BUSINESS

IMMUNIZATION AUDITING

Bergen County Public Health Nurse Maria Colasante gave an informative and in-depth presentation on childhood immunizations and the school immunization auditing process to help the Board members understand how to read the school audit reports.

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Ms. Colasante said the Oakland schools are very fortunate to have such professional and dedicated school nurses. In fact, she said, the two nurses at Indian Hills High School, Donna Garbaccio and Lisa Wasserman, were recently responsible for saving the life of a student.

The Board expressed their appreciation to Ms. Colasante for coming to the meeting and for the information she provided.

2019 WALDWICK INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT FOR CHC SERVICES

The Board reviewed the contract which contained no changes from last year.

On motion of Mr. LaForgia, seconded by Ms. West, the Board approved the contract and Mr. Tiffinger was authorized to execute same.

Roll Call: All Yeas – Ms. Ashkenazi, Mr. Ashkenazi, Mr. LaForgia, Mr. Provenzale, Mr. Talucci, Mr. Tiffinger, Ms. West

Ms. Dubowick will forward the contract to the Borough Administrator for approval by the Mayor and Council and execution by the Mayor.

NJLBA

Ms. Dubowick sent to all the Board members an article that appeared in the New Jersey Local Board of Health January newsletter. The article was about local board of health audits. No action was taken.

WRITTEN PROTOCOLS FOR MULTIPLE CONDITIONALS

Discussion of this ordinance was tabled.

The Board is considering adopting an ordinance that will require food establishments to post inspection placards on the front door or window of the establishment. Inspector Caperino said she believes Fort Lee adopted such an ordinance. Ms. Dubowick will contact the Borough of Fort Lee to obtain a copy if one exists.

OTHER BUSINESS

DOG BITE FOLLOW-UP RESPONSIBILITIES & PROTOCOLS

Mr. LaForgia updated the Board on the meeting he attended on March 15th, also attended by Borough Administrator Richard Kunze, Carol Tyler, owner of Tyco Animal Control, Principal REHS Marjorie Vanacore, Senior REHS Kristin Caperino, Board of Health Secretary Karin Kennedy Dubowick. The meeting was called to establish clear protocols and responsibilities with regard to handling dog bites.

The results of the meeting were very positive. It was decided that a log of all animal bites would be kept by Ms. Dubowick on an Excel spreadsheet. A new Police Animal Bite Form was created just for use by the Police Department because the old form they were using was for use by the REHS staff and it did not request details about how the bite occurred. This information is important when deciding if a dog could be potentially dangerous. The new form also requests the Police Department to attach a copy of the Police Report as well as any other Police Reports for prior activity involving the same dog. It was also agreed that the Police should send the Health Department reports of all animal-related activity. Ms. Dubowick will send the form to Captain Sanzari via e-mail and request reports on all animal-related activity.

Also discussed was the fact that owners of unlicensed dogs involved in bites are not obtaining licenses because no one is following up. Since Ms. Dubowick will be the keeper of records on all animal bites,

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she will follow up with the Borough Clerk to be sure the dog has been licensed within the allotted time or report the pet owner to Ms. Tyler for further action.

CONDITIONAL RATINGS

It was reported that Frank's Pizza was Conditional on Re-inspection and W's Grill is Conditional.

RABIES CLINIC

Ms. Dubowick reported that the 2019 Rabies Clinic has been scheduled for Saturday, November 2nd. The information has been posted on the Borough's website so residents can plan ahead. More publicity will be sent out as the date approaches.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. Talucci, seconded by Mr. Provenzale, the meeting was adjourned at 8:52 PM.

Roll Call: All Yeas – Ms. Ashkenazi, Mr. Ashkenazi, Mr. LaForgia, Mr. Provenzale, Mr. Talucci, Mr. Tiffinger, Ms. West

APPROVED:

Stephen C. Tiffinger, President

ATTEST: _____
Karin Kennedy Dubowick, Secretary

DATE: _____