

Board of Health
January 6, 2020 Minutes

The Re-Organizational and Regular Meeting of the Delaware Township Board of Health was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by the Board Secretary.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

The Board Secretary led the assembly in the pledge to the flag.

ROLL CALL

Present: Michael Textores, Chadd Tindall, DVM, Jorge Berkowitz, PhD, Katie Hooven, PhD, and Carla Hobbs from the Hunterdon County Division of Public Safety

Absent: Michael Bokach, Jim Vena, Peter Sudano, Norman Strauss

NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

The Notice Requirements provided for in the Open Public Meetings Act have been satisfied. Proper notice of this meeting was transmitted to the Hunterdon County Democrat, the Trenton Times, and the Star Ledger, posted at the Delaware Township Municipal Building and filed with the Township Clerk all on November 20, 2019.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT

DELAWARE TOWNSHIP
Open Public Meetings Act

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act (Ch. 231 P.L. 1975) provides for the giving of annual notice by public bodies of the body to be held during the succeeding year, and

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act (Ch. 231 P.L. 1975) hereinafter referred to as the Act, authorized a public body to make certain other determinations and take certain other actions in conformance therewith:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Health of the Township of Delaware, County of Hunterdon and the State of New Jersey as follows:

1. Regular meetings of the Board shall be held during the calendar year at 7:30 p.m. at the Delaware Township Municipal Building, Township Hall, Sergeantsville, New Jersey on the following dates:

A. The first Monday of each and every month, except the July meeting that will not be held and the September meeting which will be held on Wednesday, September 9, 2020.

2. The following newspapers are hereby designated as the newspapers to receive and all notice required or permitted to be given under the Act including but not limited to Annual Notice and 48-hour notice.

A. The Hunterdon County Democrat, which is the official newspaper of this public body, and

The Trenton Times and the Star Ledger, which are hereby determined to be the newspapers which have the greatest likelihood of informing the public within the area of jurisdiction of this Township of its meetings.

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3. Copies of this Resolution and any revision or modifications thereof certified to be true copies by the Secretary of this Board be disseminated and distributed as required by the Act as follows:

- A. Posted and maintained throughout the 2020 calendar year on the bulletin board at the Delaware Township Municipal Building;
- B. Mailed or hand delivered to the three newspapers designated in Paragraph 2 of this resolution;
- C. Filed with the Secretary of this Board, and;
- D. Mailed to such persons as may be entitled thereto under the terms of the Act and this resolution.

4. Pursuant to Section 14 of this Act, the Secretary of this Board is thereby authorized and directed to mail such notice as may be required and authorized under the Act to any person requesting the same providing that person has complied with the following terms and conditions;

- A. Any and all requests for notice under the Act shall be made in writing either by letter or by signing a Request List to be maintained in the Office of the Clerk, and
- B. Any person requesting such notice, other than the news media which is expressly excluded from payment of any fee hereunder shall pay to the Township of Delaware a fee of \$3.00, which said sum is hereby determined to be a reasonable sum, the amount of which is calculated solely to reimburse the Township for the costs incurred in providing the said notice; including but not limited to printing, photocopying costs, clerical time and postage.

BY ORDER OF THE DELAWARE TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF HEALTH

_____, Chairman
Michael Textores

Attest:

Danene L. Gooding
Board Secretary

Dated: January 6, 2020

NOMINATION OF CHAIRMAN

Mrs. Gooding asked the Board members to make a nomination for a Chairman for 2020.

Jorge Berkowitz, PhD. nominated Michael Textores for Chairman for 2020 and Chadd Tindall, DVM seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Roll Call. No one opposed the nomination. The nominations were then closed.

NOMINATION FOR VICE CHAIRMAN

Mrs. Gooding asked the Board members to make a nomination for Vice Chairman for 2020.

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Jorge Berkowitz, PhD. nominated Katie Hooven for Vice Chairman for 2020 and Chadd Tindall, DVM seconded the motion.

All voted aye. Roll Call. No one opposed the nomination. The nominations were then closed.

Chairman Michael Textores took over the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Katie Hooven made the motion to approve the minutes from the Board of Health meeting on November 4, 2019, Chadd Tindall, DVM seconded the motion and members unanimously approved the minutes. All voted Aye. Jorge Berkowitz, PhD. abstained.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHER

An invoice for Retail Food Inspections in the amount of \$200 from the County Health Department and an invoice from Mobile Vet. Services in the amount of \$603.50 were reviewed by the board. Michael Textores made a motion to pay these invoices. Jorge Berkowitz, PhD, seconded the motion. All Voted Aye. Roll Call. Chadd Tindall, DVM abstained.

BOARD OF HEALTH OLD BUSINESS

None

BOARD OF HEALTH NEW BUSINESS

- A. Resolution #2020-01 Non-Fair and Open Contracts for Township Professionals - Mr. Textores read resolution to the board. This should be done annually by the board and published in the Hunterdon County Democrat. Jorge Berkowitz PhD moved to approve this resolution 2020-01 and Katie Hooven, PhD seconded the motion. Roll Call. All Voted Aye. No further discussion from board.
- B. Septic Waiver, B1, L8 – 911 County Road 579 – Wayne Ingram, PE was present to address the board. This is a malfunctioning system to a 3 bedroom dwelling with no expansion. Jorge Berkowitz, PhD asked about wells nearby and maintenance on the system. The board approved the waivers in the November 6, 2019 letter from the County Health Department. The board was informed that this system (Hoot 500A will have all the requirements for advanced treatment, including deed notice, service maintenance contract, telemetry device and NEHA certification of the installer. Jorge Berkowitz made the motion, Mike Textores seconded the motion. All voted Aye.
- C. Septic Waiver, B59, L11 – 1680 Daniel Bray Highway – Tyler Vandervalk, PE from Houser Engineering was present to address the board. This is a 3-bedroom dwelling with no expansion. There are two wells on the property. This property is 7 acres. Michael Textores asked about the nearby stream. The board approved the waivers in the October 30, 2019 letter from the County Health Department. The board requested a copy of the D&R Canal approval. Michael Textores made the motion, Jorge Berkowitz, PhD seconded the motion. The board asked for a copy of the D&R approval. All Voted Aye.
- D. Septic Waiver, B6, L11.03 – 58 Stone signpost Road – Kurt Hoffman, PE was present to address the board. This is a malfunctioning system with no expansion. Michael Textores asked about the size of this property and if any vegetation will be removed. The board approved the waivers in the November 15, 2019 letter from the County Health Department. The board requested a copy of the GP24 approval. Michael Textores made the motion, Jorge Berkowitz, PhD seconded the motion. All Voted Aye.

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- E. Septic Wavier, B13, L17 – 18 Pavilica Road – Steve Parker, PE was present to address the board. This is a malfunctioning system to an existing 3 bedroom dwelling with no expansion. Jorge Berkowitz, PhD asked how deep is the well. The board approved the waivers in the December 19, 2019 letter from the County Health Department. The board was informed that this type of system will have additional requirements including a maintenance contract with a service provider for the life of the system, deed notice stating the type of system and installers shall be NEHA certified. Katie Hooven, PhD made the motion Jorge Berkowitz, PhD seconded the motion. All Voted Aye.
- F. Septic Waiver, B7, L13.01 – Drip Dispersal and Hoot) – 51 Stone Signpost – Doug Fine, PE was present to address the board. This has a 4-bedroom dwelling with no expansion. The board approved the waivers in the December 12, 2019 letter from the County Health Department. The board was informed that this system (H-600A Hoot Aerobic) will have additional requirements including a maintenance contract with a service provider for the life of the system, deed notice stating the type of system and installers shall be NEHA certified. Jorge Berkowitz, PhD. made the motion, Michael Textores seconded the motion with conditions in the letter. All Voted Aye.

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER REPORT

The Board reviewed the most recent report.

HUNTERDON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT – OLD BUSINESS

- A. B62, L12.01 – Lambertville Hdqts Rd cleanup- Carla said they dismissed the summons' and this can be removed from the agenda.
- B. Solid Waste N.O.V & Solid Waste Disturbance B51, L1, 61 Kingwood Stockton Rd – Carla had nothing new to report on this property.
- C. Solid Waste N.O.V., B17, L18 490 Sergeantsville Rd – Carla said two roll off containers of tires are gone. They sent a final Notice of Violation for the scrap metal to be removed.
- D. Suspect Kennel, B3, L18- 148 Lower Creek Road – Carla said they have not received a response from the resident to their letter. Carla will try to contact the Ms. Washo again. Ms. Washo's website has dogs for sale that are not the same breed as those she has licensed with the township.
- E. Illegal dumping, 31 Stone Signpost Road – Carla said the property owner received an administration order from DEP solid waste and land use. All the fill must be removed and be tested. This is the 3rd site that has used fill from this hauler. They believe the fill came from Newark, NJ. The state is looking into having townships adopt an ordinance that can control fill dirt coming into their towns.

HUNTERDON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT – NEW BUSINESS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board went over the letters and LINC'S reports in the members' packets.

Katie reviewed the Health LINC'S reports with the board.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMENTS OF BOARD MEMBERS

Michael Textores informed the board that Susan Miller and Mary Daly both resigned from the board. The Township Committee sent them a letter thanking them for their service.

ADJOURNMENT

Members moved, seconded and unanimously approved a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Danene L. Gooding
Board of Health Secretary

cc: Township Committee