

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MONTVALE BOARD OF HEALTH
CONFERENCE ROOM #1, 2nd FLOOR
12 MERCEDES DRIVE, MONTVALE, NEW JERSEY 07645
May 1, 2015 at 7:45pm

President Cohen called the meeting of the Board of Health to order at 7:45pm. Adequate notice of the meeting was provided to The Record and the Ridgewood News, informing the public of the time and place, according to the Provisions of the Open Public Meeting Law (Chapter 231, P.L. 1975).

Roll Call

Members: J. Cohen, President (P), M. Danna, Vice- President (P), L. Hopper (P), J. Jacobson (P), J. Landzberg (P), & P. Lennon (P)

Non- Members: Council Liaison Curry (P), Secretary J. Russo (P)

Contracted members: A. Musella, Northwest Bergen Regional Health Commission Health Officer (P)

Approval of March 2, 2015 Minutes

A motion to approve was made by M. Danna and L. Hopper seconded it. J. Jacobson & P. Lennon abstained.

Meeting Opened/Closed to the Public

A motion was made by M. Danna & seconded by J. Landzberg to open the meeting to the public. No one from the public was present; motion to close was made by M. Danna & seconded by J. Landzberg.

New Business

President Cohen suspended from the regular agenda and asked for a moment of silence for departed friend and valued Board of Health Member, Cathy Flagg. The Board will miss Cathy.

There is a vacancy on the board for the alternate position. It is a Mayoral appointment and Mayor Fyfe has a resident that is interested. However, there is a possible conflict since the resident is employed by Northwest Bergen Regional Health Commission. President Cohen will contact administrator or the attorney to see if there is conflict. The Board has another resident who is interested in volunteering. President Cohen will recommend the resident to Mayor Fyfe.

President Cohen said that she saw kittens in cages at Pet Value on Kinderkamack Road. The Board believed that they would not be selling pets and were not inspected for such. The secretary will review the use permit. Tyco Animal Control will be informed that kittens are in the store for purchase.

Another AED/CPR class will be offered by HARP to residents in June. It will be advertised in the next newsletter and at Borough hall. Past classes were successful; approximately thirty six residents attended. An additional class, which did not offer certification, was held at the Montvale Senior Club. The Board wishes to acknowledge Joanne Wendolowski of HARP for conducting these free classes for residents.

HARP reviewed the emergency medical supply kit which is located in the health office at the Community & Senior Center. All expired medical supplies were re-stocked. The Board thanks Christy, public health nurse, for assistance with this.

There have been coyotes' sightings in the Borough. Kim Nangle from Tyco Animal Control visited a few homes in Montvale and addressed resident concerns. Guidelines on how to reduce conflicts with coyotes is posted on the Borough website.

Old Business

President Cohen has submitted several ordinances to the Borough attorney for review. Councilwoman Curry will check on the status. The Retail Food Safety Certification ordinance has been reviewed, and once finalized, will be introduced at the next meeting. Retail & Food Establishment Fees have been modified several times and wait for legal review. Fee for mobile food trucks have been removed from the ordinance. If food trucks are need for either a one day event or for a temporary period of time, as on site at large construction jobs, Mayor & Council will grant a special permit when necessary. Ordinance regulating the placement and regulations regarding Chicken Coops continues to be researched.

Ordinance regarding the monitoring of grease traps in restaurants and food establishments needs immediate attention. Leigh Hopper explained the operation of grease traps to members. He informed the Board about previous problems with grease traps on Chestnut Ridge Road which he was privy to. Other communities' grease traps were reviewed. At a previous special grease trap meeting between Mr. Campanelli, Mrs. Iarossi-Alwan, Mrs. Musella, Mr. Cochran and Mrs. Cohen, discussion centered on how to prevent future problems with back-up along the lines that run under Chestnut Ridge Road. Mr. Cochran is currently reviewing the sewer line maps. Mrs. Musella reported that currently NWBRHC does not physically view the insides of the grease traps, but ask the

establishments to show the inspectors a dated bill from the company that cleans and services their grease traps. Discussion centered on the fact that inspections should be performed more frequently at food establishments that generate more sanitary waste. There was discussion on whether the grease trap ordinance should be adopted by the Board of Health or the Mayor and Council. After reviewing other communities' J. Russo reported that the ordinance may be either under the auspice of the Board of Health or the Mayor and Council. President Cohen asked Councilwoman Curry to ask the Mayor and Council to determine who should adapt the ordinance.

In the last several months there have been grease trap back-ups on Chestnut Ridge Road from food establishments. DPW superintendent, NWBRHC and Borough administrator were all involved. They are working on finding a solution to prevent further backups. Leigh Hopper reported that the lines were periodically flushed with water previously.

President Cohen asked if the Board wanted to offer this suggestion to Mr. Campanelli, DPW Superintendent, and if so to put it in the form of a motion. J. Landzberg made a motion that Councilwoman Curry will ask Mr. Campanelli to contact Leigh Hopper for a possible solution for the grease trap problem on Chestnut Ridge Road. Patricia Lennon seconded it. All in favor.

President Cohen reported that she spoke to the Borough Administrator, Maureen Iarossi-Alwan, regarding the financial disclosure penalty that the state was charging Montvale volunteers for not filing paperwork by the state's imposed deadline. The administrator said the Borough will not incur the cost. J. Landzberg made a motion, regarding that any fees that are charged to the Board of Health members for not filing the 2014 Financial Disclosure be referred to the Mayor and Council, since it is unfair to saddle volunteers with fees for a change made by the state in the requirement status going from voluntary to mandatory. P. Lennon seconded the motion. J. Landzberg requested email reminders of approaching future deadlines be sent to members would have yet to file. J Russo reported that email reminders were sent last year & if the Deputy Municipal Clerk sends the list of members who did not comply, she will email them a final reminder.

Committee Reports

NWBRHC Activity Report: A. Musella distributed and read the activity report for March & April.

Registrar of Vital Statistics & Health Revenue Reports: M. Danna read the report.

Tyco Animal Control Report: M. Danna read the report.

Liaison Report: Councilwoman Curry said that Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center will be occupying the space at 225 Summit Avenue.

Adjournment: President Cohen requested a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by J. Landzberg, seconded by M. Danna. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00pm. The next meeting will be held Monday, June 1. There will be no meeting in July & August.