

*MEETING OF THE MONTVALE BOARD OF HEALTH
CONFERENCE ROOM #1, 2nd FLOOR
12 MERCEDES DRIVE
MONTVALE, NJ 07645*

November 6, 2017

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). Sunshine Law is in effect.

Roll Call

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

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

Contracted Professionals: A. Musella, Northwest Bergen Regional Health Commission Health Officer (P)
J. Wendolowski & C. Varrato, Hackensack Meridian Health Public Health Nurses (P)

Minutes Approval

M.Danna made a motion to approve the September minutes & J. Jacobson seconded it. The minutes were approved on roll call vote. The minutes will be posted on the Borough website.

Annual Flu Clinic was held on September 23 and seventy-two residents including six emergency management volunteers were vaccinated. The attendance has been consistent the last few years. President Cohen asked if the clinic should be rescheduled to a week night. After discussion, the Board agreed to have the clinic remain on Saturday another year. President Cohen mentioned that the vaccine is only effective for nine months, therefore, she suggested that the clinic be held no sooner than October next year. She further stated that the CDC has lowered the age requirement for the shingles vaccine to 50.

President Cohen asked J. Wendolowski (invited member) if a health information flyer can be published. It can include current health information as well as new senior services that are available. The flyers would be available at the community center, library, and administration office in addition to all social media. J. Wendolowski is also going to prepare a press release regarding home health visits for those that are house bound. That information will be shared with the police department and tri-boro ambulance to get the information to those in need. J Russo will ask webmaster how many residents visit the Borough website and in particular the Board of Health section each year. She suggested that new information or programs be broadcasted on Montvale TV Access as it could reach those that are not proficient with the Internet, particularly seniors.

J Wendolowski reported that Blood Pressure Clinic continues to be held twice month at Senior & Community Center. There are approximately 102 residents that attend regularly. Healthy Bones classes are well attended.

She stated that there is an increase in communicable diseases, due to an increased in testing. The cases are reported automatically from the state. Schools and preschools immunizations audits are monitored. Religious exemptions for immunization regulations are not required to be honored by preschools or religious schools. Currently there is a preschool in the community which exercises that right and a family is challenging that decision. Preschool director contacted J. Wendolowski for support. A copy of the state regulation was provided. J. Landzberg made a motion that the BOH offer a letter of support to the preschool, seconded by M. Danna. All in favor. J Russo will contact borough attorney for legal advice before proceeding.

J Landzberg questioned the large clusters of certain communicable disease in the HARP annual report and why the Board of Health was not notified that this was a concern.

President Cohen informed that, once all the housing projects are completed, there will be an increase in COAH housing units, which could result in different needs of residents.

A CPR/AED class may be scheduled in February. In the past this class was popular with the residents. J. Wendolowski said she will contact the middle school principal about offering the program to students there also. High school students are provided with training through the physical education department. All Montvale recreation summer counselors and the director had attended the CPR/AED class prior to the start of summer camp. Each summer new counselors must be CPR/AED certified.

Animal canvassing has been completed. Six hundred dogs are presently licensed. The licenses for 2018 renewal will be mailed in December. The 2018 licenses will be issued in January. Saturday, January 6, 2018 is the rabies vaccination clinic. The Board is anticipating that the fire house will be completed and the clinic can return to the DPW garage on Memorial Drive. Members were asked to volunteer. The following members will volunteer to prepare vaccine syringes : J. Landzberg, J. Jacobson, and J. Cohen. As in the past, the Board will ask for Borough employees to help, and they will be compensated for their time.

KPMG is expanding their facility and renovating their cafeteria. They had requested to have temporary food service on site until the completion of the project. This approval involves building, fire prevention, planning board and Board of Health monitoring.. NWBRHC sanitarians have been in contact with KPMG representative and their attorney numerous times this month. After much correspondence, a system is in place for licensing and inspecting all food trucks from now until the end of November. This temporary service is predicted until the end of the year. NWBRHC and t J. Russo will work to monitor. KPMG also had additional permanent food establishments requiring inspections in licensing in their new location.

Growing deer population continues to be of concern. President Cohen announced that the geese population is diminished thanks to Fair Game. A. Musella said she learned from Tyco Animal Control that coyotes are traveling in packs. Tyco Animal prepared an informative Power Point regarding coyotes, which is currently available on the Borough website.

J. Wendolowski provided the Board with draft of the 2018 contract. It is a yearly contract. J. Cohen had requested a two year contract. The Board is waiting for budget request which will include this year spending cap. BC Health & Human Services Bloodborne Pathogen contract is not required because it is administered through Bergen Risk Managers ..

President Cohen asked for motion to approve the Hillsdale Child Health Conference contract. The yearly contracted amount is \$125 for administration cost and \$35 per child visit. Year to date there have been 7 children that have utilized this service. t

J. Wendolowski discussed the Mayors Wellness Program and organizing a seminar on Conversations of Your Life. There are numerous health & exercise programs that are available. The current demographics of Montvale have shown low interest in these type of classes.

Monthly Reports

Tyco Animal Report for September & October was read by M. Danna.

NW Bergen Reg. Health Commission Activity Reports for September & October were emailed to members. A. Musella reviewed the report with the members.

Registrar & Vital Statics Report for October was read by M. Danna.

Food & Retail Establishments Report was read by M. Danna

Child Health Conference Report- no report. Year to date six children attended the conference.

Council Liaison Report- No report

Reminders:

Next Meeting is on December 4.

Rabies Vaccination Clinic is scheduled for January 6, 2018; location to be determined.