

Delaware Township, Board of Health
April 5, 2021 Minutes

The Regular Meeting of the Delaware Township Board of Health was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by the Board Chairman.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

The Chairman led the assembly in the pledge to the flag.

ROLL CALL

Present: Michael Textores, Katie Hooven, PhD, Michael Bokach, Jim Vena, Jorge Berkowitz, PhD, Danene Gooding, Tiffany Crivelli, and Carla Hobbs, from the Hunterdon County Division of Public Safety

Absent: Chadd Tindall, DVM

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 January 14, 2021.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Michael Bokach made the motion to approve the minutes from the Board of Health meeting on March 1, 2021, Jorge Berkowitz seconded the motion and members unanimously approved the minutes. All voted Aye.

BOARD OF HEALTH OLD BUSINESS

- A. No more applications have been received within the township for the PERC witness position. Deadline for applications is April 15th.
- B. Michael Textores advised everyone that the email for Financial Disclosure should be coming soon and it needs to be done by April 30, 2021.

BOARD OF HEALTH NEW BUSINESS

- A. Septic Waiver – B26, L14 501 County Route 579, Kurt Hoffman, P.E was present to address the board. He discussed items listed in the letter dated February 23, 2021 from the Hunterdon County Department of Health. The waiver was approved since this is an alteration to a malfunctioning system with no expansion as well as the proposed alteration in more conformance with 7:9A-3.3(e)2 ii than the original components. Jorge Berkowitz made the motion to approve the waiver, Michael Bokach seconded. Waiver was unanimously approved by roll call vote.
Berkowitz: Yes, Bokach: Yes, Gooding: Yes, Hooven: Yes, Textores: Yes, Vena: Yes

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER REPORT

- A. The Board reviewed the most recent report.
- B. ACO Thomas Dodd from Animal Control Solutions advised the board of 2 bills moving through the state – S1034 and S2075 to be aware of as they may affect the municipality in the future.

HUNTERDON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT – OLD BUSINESS

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- A. Solid Waste N.O.V., B17, L18- 490 Sergeantsville Rd – Carla stated the county was out at the end of the month with hazmat to sample the drums and see what they contain and see if they have to be removed. There were approximately 17 drums in various conditions. They used radiation meter, gas meter for CO2/O2/etc., thermal imaging to check the amounts in each drum and then opened and sampled each one. They have a meter to read the substances and there was one drum of kerosene, several with mineral oil, several more with water, however, none of them were “just oil”. Receipts have still not been received for the scrap metal that was disposed of. They are due back in court later this month.
- B. Suspect Kennel, B33, L18- 148 Lower Creek Road – Carla said owner was sent a second letter.
- C. Illegal dumping, B7, L16 Q0073- 31 Stone Signpost Road – Carla states the State was there. The owner is attempting to bring a law suit against the company so nothing is happening at this time. The State directed them to start sampling and directed them where to go. It is unknown if the State gave them a deadline. Per the State, the site is now creating a wetland as water cannot get to the Plum Brook. Owners were advised to put down a drain and also fencing.

HUNTERDON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT – NEW BUSINESS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

Katie reviewed the Health LINCIS reports with the board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMENTS OF BOARD MEMBERS

Carla Hobbs suggested that the Board may want to review and revise the ordinance on community cat care prior to the state approving it.

ADJOURNMENT

Members moved, seconded and unanimously approved a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tiffany Crivelli
Board of Health Secretary

cc: Township Committee