

Delaware Township, Board of Health

November 1, 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: Jorge Berkowitz, PhD, Michael Bokach, Michael Textores, Katie Hooven, PhD, Jim Vena, and Tiffany Crivelli,

Absent: Danene Gooding

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 October 4, 2021, Katie Hooven seconded the motion and members unanimously approved the minutes. All voted Aye, Jorge Berkowitz, PhD abstained.

BOARD OF HEALTH OLD BUSINESS

- A. Michael Textores noted that letters were sent to on October 22, 2021 to various animal control agencies for proposals for the 2022 Animal Control Contract.

BOARD OF HEALTH NEW BUSINESS

- A. Septic Waiver – B46, L5.02 – 8 Quarry Road, Steve Parker, P.E., was present to address the board. He discussed items listed on the October 19, 2021 letter from the Hunterdon County Department of Health.

Parker stated that the property currently has a malfunctioning system which needs to be replaced due to a real estate transaction. Parker stated that the area is very restricted due to limited space, that the soil is not terrible, and that there is a shared well over 100ft away on the neighbor's property. Parker also stated there are no Wetlands.

The waivers were approved since this is an alteration to a malfunctioning system with no expansion and the proposed alteration is in more conformance with 7:9A-3.3(e)2 ii than the original components. In addition, all the requirements for advanced treatment devices shall be met including engineer certification, service provider maintenance contract, deed notice, and auto dialer/telemetry device. Jorge Berkowitz, PhD made the motion to approve the waiver, Michael Bokach seconded. Waiver was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Berkowitz: Yes, Bokach: Yes, Gooding: Absent, Hooven: Yes, Textores: Yes, Vena: Yes

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER REPORT

- A. The Board reviewed the most recent report.

HUNTERDON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT – OLD BUSINESS

No updates were available as Carla Hobbs was not present.

HUNTERDON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT – NEW BUSINESS

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CORRESPONDENCE

Katie reviewed the Health LINC reports with the board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following members of the public expressed some concerns and recommendations regarding the animal control services in Delaware Township:

Lori Stagnitto, Lambertville Animal Welfare 501(c)(3) – 1681 River Road, New Hope, PA
Carolyn Murphy, Advanced Animal Control, LLC – 4 Glenwood Lane, Stockton, NJ
Janice Hipple – 22 Strimples Mill Road, Stockton, NJ
Jan Weber – 37 Buchanan Road, Stockton, NJ
Dianna Garibaldi – 142 Sandy Ridge Road, Stockton, NJ
Cathryn Zega – 106 Yard Road, Stockton, NJ

COMMENTS OF BOARD MEMBERS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Members moved, seconded and unanimously approved a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tiffany Crivelli
Board of Health Secretary

cc: Township Committee