BOARD OF HEALTH REGULAR MEETING MINUTES June 11, 2020 5:00pm*

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The virtual meeting was called to order at 5:00pm.

STATEMENT REGARDING ADEQUATE NOTICE OF MEETING:

In compliance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et. seq., adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by publishing a copy of the Reorganization and Regular Meeting notice in the Chatham Courier, the Daily Record, and the Alternative Press on June 9, 2020, a copy of which was posted on the official bulletin board on the main floor of Borough Hall, and was filed in the office of the Borough Clerk.

ROLL CALL:

Lisa DeRosa, R.N.
Kay Kaiser, R.N.
Micki Chaput, R.N.
Lisbeth Bringgaard, R.N.
Andrew Zoltan
Lara Freidenfelds
Shelliam Lee, 1st Alternate
Council Member Robert Weber, Sr.

Bridget Colendenski, R.N., Public Health Nurse Megan Avallone, Health Officer, Westfield Regional Department of Health Beau Preston, R.E.H.S., Westfield Regional Department of Health

PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT TIME LIMIT:

Hearing of citizens during the Public Comment section of the Agenda is an opportunity for any member of the public to be heard about issues which are/are not topics scheduled for Public Hearing tonight. To help facilitate an orderly meeting, and to permit all to be heard, speakers are asked to limit their comments to a reasonable length of time.

MOTION TO ADOPT MEETING MINUTES:

MOTION to approve, as prepared, the following meeting minutes: May 14, 2020 (Special Meeting Summary)

The minutes were approved and shall be filed as a permanent record in the Borough Clerk's office.

REPORTS REVIEWED

- 1. Animal Control Report
- 2. BOH Revenue Report
- 3. Vital Statistics Report

DISCUSSION ITEM(S)

Health Officer Megan Avallone led the discussion on the following items:

- Timing of flu shot distribution and the possibility of August home visits; including vaccine effectiveness.
- Staffing questions regarding the potential of an influx in COVID cases occurring in September and October and being short-staffed.
- Mrs. Avallone said she has been a part of monthly OEM meetings discussing the FEMA Grant the Borough has been chosen to receive, including financial information and expenditures.
- Lisa DeRosa stated she has had little or no communication regarding these meetings from the Mayor and Administrator; she suggested Liaison Bob Weber and Board Vice President would be a good fit for these meetings, as well.
- Mrs. Avallone said they have been watching areas that have recently had large gatherings for the possibility of a resurgence. She stated there has been strong resistance to provide information to contact tracers.
- Details of reopening for contact tracers and restaurants keeping records; restaurants are currently only allowing outside dining.
- Megan commended REHS Beau Preston on his efforts during the reopening process, and stated it has been chaotic and Beau has been doing an excellent job.
- The Board discussed the new outdoor dining opportunities; Borough Engineer, Vince DeNave has been able to approve the additional seating.
- Pools will also receive checklists for COVID regulations.
- Andrew Zoltan asked about regulations differing in CDC guidance regarding masks and temperatures in office settings. Mrs. Avallone has said she does not anticipate the State providing guidelines, but she has guidelines she can provide to the Board for individuals in the workplace.
- Kay Kaiser asked about an end-date for antibody testing; Megan said she believed that may be related to insurance.

OLD BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT: 5:57pm