

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE EMERSON BOARD OF HEALTH WAS HELD ON MAY 11, 2017 AT 7:30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE BOROUGH HALL.

These Minutes have not been formally approved by the Emerson Board of Health and are subject to change or modification at the next regular meeting at which time they will be adopted.

Roll Call: Elaine Rizzo, Nicole Argenzia, Cindy Bischoff, and Linda Lahey. Also present was Angela Musella, Health Officer, Kay Hodges, Public Health Nurse and Peggy Di Lello, Health Assistant.

Excused Absence: Susan Gibbons

The health assistant notified Board of Health members that in case of a fire follow the Fire Exit sign above the door and exit calmly.

The Board of Health meeting was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by Board of Health President Elaine Rizzo.

Motion by Cindy Bischoff, Seconded by Linda Lahey, that the Board of Health Minutes of March 9, 2017 be approved as written.

The Finance, Vital Statistics and Dog Licensing reports for March and April were accepted as submitted.

Northwest Bergen Regional Health Commission Activity Reports for March and April were accepted as submitted.

March, 2017

Cinar Turkish Restaurant had a Preop inspection and received a Conditional rating. The establishment was reinspected and is Satisfactory.

Rispoli Pastry Shop was inspected and received a Satisfactory rating.

There was a report of influenza at Brookdale Emerson, 590 Old Hook Road.

Health Officer contacted the facility for more information. She was informed by the Executive Director that a resident in their facility was taken to Valley Hospital on February 26 and tested positive for Influenza A. The patient's wife was also tested for flu and the results were negative. Other residents in the facility were displaying symptoms of flu. Health Officer explained to the Executive Director that the facility should keep a Patient Symptom Line List (PSLL) and they discussed control measures being taken to prevent further illness. Health Officer followed up with an email to the Executive Director with PSLL, as well as a link to "NJDOH Guidelines for the Control of Respiratory Virus Outbreaks in Long-Term Care and Other Institutional Settings." D. Lucas, NJBOH Epidemiologist was copied on the email.

Upon further investigation, the facility's Wellness Director claimed that there were no other residents experiencing respiratory symptoms. Since there was only one confirmed case and no other residents are experiencing flu symptoms, D. Lucas did not consider this an outbreak. She did advise continued surveillance for flu at this time. No additional cases of influenza were reported.

Stop and Shop

Complainant bought Nature's Promise salad and it was spoiled. An inspection was made and there were no spoiled products at the time of inspection. The product maintained in good condition. Produce walk in at proper temperature, and health inspector informed complainant of her findings. Complainant said that she has purchased a variety of Nature's Promise salads and found some with half the salad in poor condition. The health inspector conducted a follow up visit and a container of Nature's Promise Spring Mix was opened. The entire container was found to be in wholesome condition. Customer Service and store manager were informed about the complaint. They claimed that they have not received any other complaints.

Dyer Avenue

Resident came to borough hall complaining that 65 and 69 Dyer Avenue are vacant and he has witnessed rats. Complainant would not leave his contact information. Since the complaint was received after a major snowstorm, the health officer advised secretary that the inspectors were unable to investigate since there was a large amount of snow on the ground. Secretary was advised should the complainant contact her again and would like to remain anonymous, the individual should call NWBRHC office to speak to an inspector so more details can be obtained.

A Notice of Violation was issued to a resident for failure to provide access to his dog for observation after the ten (10) day quarantine period ended. (Resident would not respond to phone calls) Health inspector and Tyco went there and resident claimed they were away. It eventually was resolved. **Matter resolved.**

The health inspector and Tyco Animal Control attended court for Just Pups in Paramus. A trial date was set for May 31, 2017.

An Immunization Audit Summary Chart for 2016-2017 was compiled and sent to Board of Health President Elaine Rizzo.

Correspondence was received from NJ DEP regarding 550-gallon #2 Heating Oil Underground Storage Tank System Unrestricted Use – No Further Action Letter and Covenant Not to Sue, 92 Hasbrouck Avenue.

Information and a list of classes for becoming a Certified Municipal Registrar was sent to Board of Health President Elaine Rizzo and secretary.

April, 2017

Zika Virus testing is still being done. Health Officer is attending a conference regarding Zika Virus to see if there are any new developments.

Health Officer attended the Bergen County Public Health Partnership meeting. Health Officer filed Financial Disclosure Statement.

Cork and Keg, Dollar Party Plus, Emerson Stationery, Marshall's, Pimaan Thai Restaurant, Quick Chek and Stop and Shop were inspected and given a Satisfactory rating.

Emerson Hotel Restaurant's food handler does a specialized process with food and is required to have a HACCP Plan. The HACCP Plan is a step-by-step plan to show how the individual does the specialized process.

Vivian Avenue

*Complainant stated that there are animals living in an abandoned house at 111 Vivian Avenue. Health Inspector visited the home and no evidence of rats observed. Health Inspector did not observe animals living in home and advised complainant. **Complaint closed.***

Kinderkamack Road

*Resident came into borough hall and said he saw rats in his neighbor's yard. The health inspector conducted a site visit, and saw no evidence of burrows or food source in that area. The health inspector left her card so a full survey of property could be done. **Complaint investigation is still in progress.***

There were three OPRA requests in April regarding a dog bite, environmental issue, and sanitary sewer repair.

Two employees at Cinar Turkish Restaurant attended the ServSafe Food Handler classes in Waldwick.

Public Health Nurse worked on school immunization audits and communicable disease investigation.

Correspondence Received:

Quest Diagnostics – Received Influenza A & B Report for a resident.

Borough of Paramus Court Clerk – Notice to disregard May 21, 2017, re: Vincent Losacco. The case has been put on hold pending the outcome of a Superior Court appeal.

Correspondence Sent:

An email was sent from Health Officer Angela Musella to Borough Administrator Robert Hoffman asking if the Board of Health has the authority to waive any of their fees that are in their ordinances and, if so, is there any criteria for waiving fees.

Public Health Nurse's report for March and April were accepted as submitted.

Public Health Nurse Kay Hodges noted that she was hired in March, 1967 and received proclamations from Mayors of Emerson and Westwood. Kay also received a County Award

from the Board of Chosen Freeholders. Kay mentioned that she was interviewed by Tanya Liebing Zivanovic for a German magazine as being the oldest nurse.

Payment of Vouchers:

New Jersey State Department of Health and Senior Services – March:	\$ 27.00
New Jersey State Department of Health and Senior Services – April:	9.00
Tyco Animal Control – March:	715.00
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NWBRHC 2 nd Quarter Health Services	1,171.88

OLD BUSINESS:

a. Adoption of Ordinance No. 1-17:

Second Reading & Public Hearing:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1-15 ENTITLED, “AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE TATTOOING AND BODY PIERCING PARLORS, TATTOOISTS AND BODY PIERCERS WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF EMERSON.”

Motion to open the meeting for comments from the public on Ordinance No. 1-17 only was moved by Nicole Argenzia, seconded by Cindy Bischoff and carried by a Roll Call Vote.

Roll Call: ER – Yes NA - Yes CB - Yes LL - Yes

b. Adoption of Ordinance No. 2-17:

Second Reading & Public Hearing:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1-11 ENTITLED, “AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH LICENSE FEES FOR FOOD HANDLING AND NON-FOOD HANDLING ESTABLISHMENTS AND FEES FOR VITAL STATISTICS TRANSCRIPTS WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF EMERSON.”

Motion to open the meeting for comments from the public on Ordinance No. 2-17 only was moved by Cindy Bischoff, seconded by Linda Lahey and carried by a Roll Call Vote.

Roll Call: ER – Yes NA – Yes CB – Yes LL – Yes

c. Food Truck Event.

The Board of Health should have been notified about the PTA Food Truck event. Residents knew about the event through a closed group on Facebook. The PTA coordinator had planned the food truck event in March without notifying the health department, as she was

unaware that the vendors needed to be inspected and issued food licenses. The PTA coordinator came to the health department a few days before the event and was inadvertently quoted the fee of \$50.00, instead of \$100.00. The amended ordinance was introduced, but not adopted. The Board of Health had a special meeting to discuss the matter. The members decided that they would honor the \$50.00 food license fee, since the PTA coordinator was quoted that price.

Health Officer Angela Musella submitted Temporary Food Establishment License Frequently Asked Questions, which should be given to individuals who are having a special event. Health Officer also submitted a revised Temporary Event License Application to be completed by the applicants. The Temporary Food Establishment License Process will be changed to advise the individuals that the application needs to be returned 30 days before the event, not 2 weeks.

Health Officer Angela Musella noted that NWBRHC has a new Health Educator. Public Health Nurse will ask the senior citizens what topics they would like hear from the Health Educator.

NEW BUSINESS:

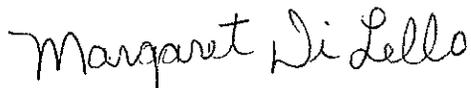
a. Starbucks and Summer Kick-off Event.

Starbucks is anticipating opening on June 8 and has expressed interest in participating in the summer kick-off event by having a table and providing refreshments. Starbucks has to be inspected and obtain a food license.

Board of Health President Elaine Rizzo submitted literature on Free Cancer Screenings, HIV Counseling and Testing, and the Visiting Homemaker Home Health Aide Service.

Motion by Cindy Bischoff, Seconded by Linda Lahey, that the Board of Health meeting be adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Margaret Di Lello
Health Assistant