

WANAQUE BOARD OF HEALTH  
January 18, 2012

This is the Re-organization and Regular Meeting of the Wanaque Board of Health held on Wednesday, January 18, 2012, in the Municipal Building, and called to order by President Frank Riccardelli at 7:40 p.m.

President Riccardelli read the following Sunshine Law: THIS IS THE RE-ORGANIZATION AND REGULAR MEETING OF THE WANAQUE BOARD OF HEALTH. ADEQUATE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN AND IT HAS BEEN DULY ADVERTISED BY THE PLACEMENT OF A NOTICE IN BOTH THE HERALD NEWS AND THE SUBURBAN TRENDS AS E-MAILED ON DECEMBER 7, 2011 AND A NOTICE HAS BEEN POSTED ON THE BULLENTIN BOARD IN THE BOROUGH OF WANAQUE.

**ROLL CALL**

Frank Riccardelli, Amelia Bertelloni, Joan Bender, and Linda Shafto answered Roll Call. Chris Demetriou, Laura Stiansen and Maryann Vuksanic were absent.

**ALSO PRESENT**

Christopher Chapman, Health Officer, Bernadette McDavitt, Public Health Nurse.

**REORANIZATION**

Mayor and Council have re-appointed Member Shafto, Member Stiansen and Member Vuksanic to a 3 Year Term on the Board of Health effective January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2014. New Member Joan Bender was appointed to a term effective January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012. Mayor Mahler swore in Member Shafto and Member Bender. Member Stiansen and Member Vuksanic were absent.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Board Secretary asked for nominations for president. Linda Shafto nominated Frank Riccardelli, seconded by Joan Bender. No other nominations heard. Nomination closed. On Roll Call to nominate Frank Riccardelli, all present voted yes; Frank Riccardelli abstained. Frank Riccardelli is elected President.

Board Secretary asked for nominations for Vice President. Frank Riccardelli nominated Linda Shafto, seconded by Amelia Bertelloni. No other nominations heard. Nominations closed. On Roll Call to nominate Linda Shafto, all present voted yes; Linda Shafto abstained. Linda Shafto is elected Vice President.

### MINUTES

On a motion from Member Bertelloni, seconded by Member Shafto, and on Roll Call, Minutes of November 16, 2011 meeting were accepted.

### MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS

#### November 2011

Health	1,215.00
Vital Stats	486.00
Dog & Cats	115.00

#### December 2011

Health	1,385.00
Vital Stats	521.00
Dog & Cats	1.00

The Health Department's total revenues for 2011 were \$32,088.70

President Riccardelli inquired about how the dog and cat licensing was going. There was some discussion regarding the potential of doing the licensing on line. The mayor said they were looking into it. He also went into detail regarding the use and cost of using credit cards for this purpose.

On a motion by Member Riccardelli seconded by Linda Shafto and On Roll Call, Financial Reports for the months of November and December 2011 were accepted.

### YEAR END REPORTS

The 2011 Rabies Clinic Report was made available to all.

### NURSES' REPORT

Bernie distributed a tentative list of new programs for 2012 as well as some of the programs held in 2011. Bernie asked if anyone had questions.

## HEALTH OFFICERS REPORT

Chris gave a report of the rabies' clinic. The total was 310 animals vaccinated. Chris mentioned that Roy will be appearing in court due to a tenant landlord problem on Short St. Other than that it's been quiet.

Frank mentioned to the mayor that we ran into some problems in November were money was short in the Health Dept. budget. Bernie explained when we purchase vaccine and when patients pay for it the money goes into the current account it doesn't show up in the Health Dept. budget at all. The mayor asked if we keep track of those amount. Was told yes. Mayor asked if Administrator is aware of where the funds are going and Bernie said he knows. Bernie also said the cost of picking up dead animal carcasses is subtracted from the health budget as are death pronouncements done in the evenings. Frank Riccardelli explained that basically the money wasn't in Health Dept. budget in November when needed because it all went back into the current fund. There has to be an easier way to access the money. Chris said that the money that goes out for the vaccines isn't recouped until Medicare pays money back to us and then it goes into the current fund and not the health dept. and generally not the same year. There was much discussion regarding the budget. The Mayor explained the budget rules are not always set by the Administrator but by the State of New Jersey. The rules state you need to do things a certain way even if they don't seem to make sense. That could be why funds go into the current account and not the health account.

## ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Member Bertelloni seconded by Member Shafto, and on Roll Call, meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Smerklo, Secretary