

WANAQUE BOARD OF HEALTH
January 15, 2014

This is the Re-organization and Regular Meeting of the Wanaque Board of Health held on Wednesday, January 15, 2014, in the Municipal Building, and called to order by President Frank Riccardelli at 7:30 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 THE SUBURBAN TRENDS AS E-MAILED ON DECEMBER 22, 2013 AND A NOTICE HAS BEEN POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE BOROUGH OF WANAQUE.

ROLL CALL

Member Riccardelli, Member Bertelloni, Member Bender, Member Van Rossen, Member Vuksanic and Member Rick answered Roll Call. Member Stiansen was absent.

ALSO PRESENT

Christopher Chapman, Health Officer, Bernie McDavitt PHN and Eric Willse, Council Liaison.

REORANIZATION

Mayor and Council have re-appointed Member Riccardelli to a 3 Year Term on the Board of Health effective January 1, 2014 through December 1, 2016. Stuart Rich was appointed to a three year term on the Board of Health effective January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2016. Mayor Mahler swore in Members Riccardelli and Stuart Rich.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

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

MINUTES

On a motion from Member Bertelloni, seconded by Member Van Rossen and on Roll Call, the Minutes of September 18, 2013 were accepted.

FINANCIAL & MONTHLY REPORTS

The Health Department's total revenue for 2013 was \$35,369.00

Member Bertelloni inquired as to what a test hole is. Chris Chapman explained in detail what that all involves.

On a motion by Member Bertelloni seconded by Member Van Rossen and On Roll Call, all monthly and financial reports were accepted.

NURSE'S REPORT

Bernie passed out flyers on the programs held in 2013. Said if anyone had questions to please ask her. She explained what most of the programs entailed.

She stated that she is seeing more teens and school age children than babies at the child health clinics. School aged children are seen after school if immunizations are needed. School nurses are in touch with Bernie if any children need to be immunized. Member Riccardelli asked if they are being sent to her because they have never been immunized and Bernie said they may be lacking something. Sixth graders need to have a t-dap and meningitis vaccination. If they are in school and do not have these they are sent to Bernie for the vaccinations before they can return to school. Member Riccardelli inquired if the shelter kids come in and Bernie said a lot of times it is the shelter kids.

Questions regarding the shelter in town were addressed by Bernie. Bernie said the shelter in West Milford closed and Wanaque has one shelter and two transitional housing for domestic abused women. Member Bender asked what was the difference and Bernie explained transitional housing is more like an apartment setup and the women have more responsibilities. Their stay there is not to exceed 3 months. Member Bertelloni asked who supports the shelter, Bernie replied the County. Bernie sometimes refers women to Woman in Transition in Wayne who provide computer training and counseling. Bernie said more help is needed for this group. Bernie said a lot of it has to do with a lack of education and support. The shelter also has a day care called Omni II.

241 high dose flu vaccinations and 146 regular dose flu vaccinations were administered. Bernie had a flu clinic at Lakeland HS for the teachers and one at the First Aid building for the First Responders.

Eight doses of the shingles vaccine were administered. Member Bertelloni inquired as to the cost of the vaccine. It is \$167.00. Member Bender asked why there is such an influx of shingles. Bernie explained it was due to the fact that many people had chicken pox and it can then come back in the form of shingles.

William Paterson College student nurses have been helping Bernie. They have been coming in for their experience. William Paterson College will be sending two students a week which Bernie said is a big deal because in the past years these students have never been involved in public health. She said she is very happy to have them and it is a big boost to all. She said there has been a lot more involvement in the department itself. We benefit from the William Paterson students. It invigorates the whole program. They were involved in the blood pressure screening at the golden agers and child health clinics. The students are now involved in public health and what it is.

HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT

Chris said the State has requirements for the Board of Health Members. One of these would be that the Board join the NJ Board of Health Association and also that the Board have some educational background in public health. Chris has a film called "Is It Magic" that he would like the members to view, it covers the background of public health.

Chris went on to say Gina, REHS has been working with the owner of the Phoenix Club to reopen and re outfit his business. Mr. Willse asked if there were any structural issues with the building. Chirs said the Health Department is to indicate

to the owner the number of sinks required, dishwasher, temperature of hot water etc. The owner needs to get the proper permits and all the construction permits that are required through the Building Dept.

Gina has been keeping up with all retail food inspections 2 to 3 times a year.

Member Ricardelli asked if anyone had any concerns or questions.

Mr. Willse asked who monitors how long the people stay in the shelter. Bernie said the state does. The state supervises and certifies the shelter. Mr. Willse asked if they are the ones responsible for the attendance. Bernie answered yes. Bernie said there have been so many cut back all over the state for maternal and child health and homelessness. Homeless prevention had a program. It doesn't exist anymore. Bernie said she has very few places to refer anyone.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Member Van Rossen seconded by Member Bertelloni, and on Roll Call, meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Smerklo, Secretary