

## Stanhope Board of Health

May 11, 2022

Secretary M. McNeilly called the meeting of the Board of Health to order at 7:00 p.m. Open Public Meeting Act 1030 statement was read as required by law.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

**Members present:** P. Zeliff-Murphy, J. Savino, R. Maio, and M. McNeilly

**Absent:** T. Romano

**Also present:** Gary Bielen, REHS

### **Citizens to be Heard**

Seeing no one from the public wishing to speak, Secretary M. McNeilly closed the public portion of the meeting.

Minutes of the April 13, 2022 meeting were accepted on a motion by R. Maio, seconded by P. Zeliff-Murphy.

Abstained: J. Savino

Motion carried by voice vote.

### **Reports**

#### **Sanitarian:**

Activity report received. Copies of reports placed on file.

County is providing local businesses with a survey to check on what is being done regarding the bag ban. County has to report back to the State. We noticed that bags for produce are still available. How are they handling delivery services? R. Maio brought up the fact that recycled paper can't be recycled again. Plastic was the replacement for paper. G. Bielen will get back to us about when plastic bags are still allowed to be used.

Report addressed 7 Musconetcong was an error and was actually 227 Lakeside Blvd in Hopatcong and 25 Carpenter St is Carpenter Rd in Byram.

Highpoint Blg 10- County just got the claim about an on going situation regarding tank removal clean up. Clean up is on hold due to owner's inability to afford it. Highpoint contacted DEP and the DEP told them to contact Sussex County. Secretary provided a copy of the DEP report we received to G. Bielen with the case number.

Only Stanhope House remains to be inspected for their liquor license. Will drop off reports to Clerk when finished.

39 Sparta Rd- New construction with a septic system.

#### **Animal Control Officer:**

Copy of invoice shows the calls the ACO did for Stanhope. Reviewed invoice. Discussed cats that were picked up due to owner's death.

#### **Secretary:**

Received email regarding complaint about seeing a rat around 4 Young Dr. Haven't seen report about follow up from the County. G. Bielen thinks he responded to complaint but will get back to us.

Motion by P. Zeliff-Murphy, seconded by R. Maio to accept reports. Motion carried by unanimous vote of those present.

### **Correspondence**

4-14-22	SCDEPHS	re: Sewage Disposal System 12 Hazel St Block 10312 Lot 2
4-22-22	SCDEPHS	re: Sussex/Stanhope Appl. Permit Sewage Disposal 39 Sparta Rd
4-27-22	SCDEPHS	re: Hazardous Substance Discharge Notification : 20 Continental Dr
5-3-22	SCDEPHS	re: Hazardous Substance Discharge Notification : Highpoint Blg. 10

Motion by R. Maio and seconded by P. Zeliff-Murphy to accept correspondence. Motion carried by unanimous vote of those present.

### **Old Business**

Rabies Clinic - Total animals vaccinated were 102.

Dogs in town: 51 out of town: 21 Total: 72

Cats in town: 26 out of town: 4 Total: 30

Having owners file out papers themselves seemed to make line move quicker but forms were not always properly filled out.

### **New Business**

Calendar- to discuss meeting dates at next meeting.

### **Bills**

Hopatcong ACO ACO services \$875.00 Medical Cost \$832.30 Total bill : \$1707.30

Discussion took place about how we are being billed. Bill shows us being charged by the hour but it's the Board's understanding that we would be billed a quarterly flat rate as stated in the contract. Administrator is aware of the issue and is looking into it. If we are still being charged an hourly rate we need to have copies of Police CAD reports. Regarding the call about a bat in the house, the ACO is required to respond if there is a bat or animal in the living space of a house. If an animal is under a structure, in a crawl space, or in the attic it is the homeowners responsibility. R. Maio stated her concern that if our ACO services cost more than the quarterly rate we will be charged extra and we should look to get money back from owners if call deals with their own ill animals. As of now we are responsibly for all medical cost and if there is an over boarding issue with Hopatcong. Medical expensive can come out Animal Trust Fund. We need better reports.

Motion by P. Zelif-Murphy and seconded by J. Savino to postpone payment of the bill until the Administrator has a chance to address the issue about the contract. Motion carried by unanimous vote of those present.

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Since there was no further business to transact, the members voted to adjourn 7:57 p.m.

Motion by J. Savino seconded by P. Zelif-Murphy. Motion carried by unanimous vote of those present.

Respectfully submitted,



Monique McNeilly, Board of Health Secretary