

Stanhope Board of Health

March 11, 2020

President J. Gibbons 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. Zelif-Murphy, J. Savino, D. Thistleton, T. Romano, J Gibbons, and M. McNeilly

J. Savino arrived at 7:08

Also present: Zackary Faiola, REHS

Citizens to be Heard

Seeing no one from the public wishing to speak, President J. Gibbons closed the public portion of the meeting.

Minutes of February 12, 2020 meeting were accepted on a motion by T. Romano seconded by P. Zelif-Murphy.

Abstain: D. Thistleton and J. Gibbons.

Motion carried.

Reports

Sanitarian:

Activity report received. Copies of reports placed on file.

Deli Delicious, Shakey Jakes , KCC, and Crunch Fitness were satisfactory. American Legion had no violation. First Presbyterian Church had minor violations like the floor needed to be swept. Stanhope Fire Department had no violations. Copy of letter regarding Speedy Mart payment of fine for their conditional rating. They now have a satisfactory rating. Hand sink was not being used properly.

J. Gibbons had a question about Deli Delicious and Zack explained the food should be stacked in refrigerator according to what temperature they should be cooked at. The eggs should not be stored above ready made food where they could drip down if broken.

T. Romano asked about workout gyms in the near future regarded Corona with the amount of surfaces that need to be cleaned. Zack stated that with each day there are different talking points regarding Corona and that one was discussion today. They are to follow CDC guidelines.

Important to wash your hands and/or use hand sanitizer and avoid touching your face.

John Savino arrived.

J. Gibbons asked how does Corona compare to the Flu? We have a flu vaccine and people still get the flu. Zack stated that he's not an expert but the fear is that we have been exposed to the flu several times in our lifetime so we have some resistance were as this is the first time we are dealing with Corona so our body's don't have any resistance. T. Romano stated that he heard 36,000 people have died from the flu already this year and that most people will get Corona and be sick for the 14 days. M. McNeilly believes the concern is about the amount of people getting seriously sick at the same time and whether there will be beds available in the hospitals. The poison control hotline has been designated as the number to call with Corona questions.

Animal Control Officer:

2019 4th quarter report received.

Viewed report.

Secretary:

Reviewed County Conference call- Discussed maintaining heating oil tanks. J. Gibbons asked about tanks that were cleaned , filled and abandoned on site and given clean approval by Environmental Commission having to be removed if selling house. M. McNeilly stated that she has heard that people have had difficulties getting mortgages. But it was what was acceptable at the time.

Reviewed Stroke filer Fast- Face drooping, Arm weakness, Speech difficulties, Time to call 911. Time is of the essences. Provided paperwork on facts of the Corona virus. What the symptoms are, how it's spread, what to do if you are sick . The County is making an effort to meet with different organizations to discuss virus. They were going to be meeting with the people at the Sussex County Fairgrounds next. County website links everything to the CDC.

County doesn't recommend making homemade hand sanitizer. They recommend checking the list of CDC's approved products.

T. Romano questioned the chances of us holding the Rabies Clinic in April. Will check with Dr Carlos by April 1st as to whether to hold clinic. County has not yet given guidance about clinics. It can be cancelled up to a week before clinic. It is still pet owners responsibility to get rabies vaccines for license. Are we obligated to have clinic?

Motion by D. Thistleton seconded by J. Savino to accept reports. Motion carried by unanimous vote of those present.

Correspondence

2-14-20 Public Health Update: COVID-19 Talking Points - 2/14/2020
2-19-20 Public Health Update: End of Public Health Reporting for E-cigarette, or Vaping, Product Use-associated Lung Injury (EVALI)
2-19-20 NJ Local BH Association re: membership
2-24-20 Public Health Alert: NJ Communi-CABLE, Winter 2020
2-26-20 Public Health Info: Guidance for Implementation of Meningococcal Vaccine Requirements for Institution of Higher Education
2-26-20 Public Health Info: Respiratory Virus Surveillance Report Week Ending February 22, 2020
2-28-20 New Jersey Department of Health Can Begin Testing for COVID-19
2-28-20 Public Health Alert: NJDOH Surveillance Criteria and Testing for Novel Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19)
3-4-20 Public Health Advisory: Key Messaging to Long-term Care Facilities (LTCF) for COVID-19
3-4-20 New Jersey Health Commissioner Asks Individuals Who Attended Westchester County Religious Events to Self-Quarantine
3-4-20 Public Health Update: Update and Interim Guidance on New CDC Testing Criteria for 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)
3-6-20 Public Health Advisory: Correction Attachment Interim Guidance for Initial Public Health Response - Commercial Testing SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19)
3-9-20 Public Health Advisory: COVID-19 Healthcare Worker Assessment and Tracking Tools

Reviewed correspondence.

Discussed how to get information to residents. If you type "Corona" in our town website it takes you to the Board of Health which gives information and has links to the County and the CDC sites. Have Administrator send Nixle with poison control number for information on Corona and the County link.

Motion by T. Romano and seconded by J. Savino to accept correspondence. Motion carried by unanimous vote of those present.

Old Business

Neuter/Spay Sponsorship Program: no new applicants.

New Business

Spring Festival is on hold.

Radon Notice was included in mailing.

We do not get a test report on homeowners who purchase kits when they test their homes. If we were providing kits through the grant we would be reporting who picked up kits.

Bills

ACO 4th Quarter \$187.20

Motion made by P. Zeff-Murphy and seconded by J. Savino to pay the bill. Roll call vote taken.

Yes: P. Zeff-Murphy, J. Savino, D. Thistleton, T. Romano, and J. Gibbons and M. McNeilly

Motion carried by unanimous vote of those present.

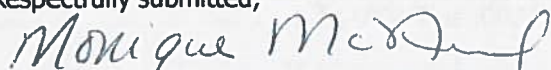
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Seeing no one from the public wishing to speak, President Romano closed the public portion of the meeting.

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

Motion by T. Romano seconded by J. Savino. Motion carried by unanimous vote of those present.

Respectfully submitted,



Monique McNeilly, Board of Health Secretary