

The regular meeting of the Board of Health was held in the Board of Health Building on Wednesday, March 22, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. Mariano Gianni called the meeting to order, and Jim led the salute to the flag.

THIS MEETING WAS HELD IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT, NJSA 10:4-1 ET. SEQ. ANNUAL NOTICE HAVING BEEN FORWARDED TO THE NEW JERSEY HERALD AND POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD MAINTAINED IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING FOR PUBLIC NOTICES.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Mariano Gianni, Rob Bond, Jim Vanderhoof, Kathleen Jacobellis, Thomas Forbes, and Joel Servoss. Estelle Klein was present.

ABSENT: Melinda Conti

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING: Jim made a motion to accept the minutes from the February meeting, seconded by Rob. All in favor.

MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC: No comments.

CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

HEALTH OFFICER REPORT:

1. Phil said he is in contact with the DEP about the house on Dupont Ave. The previous owner drilled holes in the bottom of a sealed system before he sold it. He is now being sued by the present owners.
2. Phil was asked to review some files by Lorraine Stark, Borough Clerk. These properties are owned by the Borough and may be for sale. Estelle said the Real Estate Committee meets and decides what to charge.
3. Phil signed three summonses for some one at the High School for smoking. They were for one young man; he was caught smoking three times in a row. Phil said he originally thought he could just send him a warning letter, however we looked through the file and he was caught last year and then was caught three days consecutively smoking at the High School.
4. The grooming parlor was re-inspected and there are just three items outstanding and we will be going back in about two weeks.
5. The Health Dept. was asked to do test holes out on Sparta Stanhope Road, where the senior project was going to be for the sixteen homes. Some wells were going to be tested by the DEP. Phil said he instructed James Breiten to send a letter to the owners so they are aware of this before they proceeded to build, that they could run into a problem. We don't want them to go in blind and then spend all this money to find out the ground water could be contaminated. Kathleen asked if they were going forward with the senior housing project. Estelle said there is a problem as to where they are going to get the sewerage. They can always drill a well for the water, but the sewerage is something that we are considering talking to them about, giving them some of our sewerage; it would be a case of exchanging sewage with them.
6. Rob said that in the Feb. minutes, the Mayor stated that when we pass an ordinance, should we have on the agenda "Open to the Public". Phil said next time we have to pass an ordinance, we will look into this.

SANITARIAN REPORT:

1. Phil said the Health Dept. is trying to knock out the foods; we are trying to get them all done in January, February and March. We are moving into the beach season and busy septic season.

BOROUGH NURSE REPORT:

1. Kathleen will be meeting with Fran Baldi on Friday to discuss obesity in children. She went on to say there is nothing out there that is free in terms of counseling families. We will see what we can do maybe start something up here in town and offer something to these families. There are families that we have identified, there is a crisis here but there is nothing out there to help them that is free of charge. Everybody wants to charge something, people don't have insurance, and they can't go and do that. We need to address that. That is our plan and hopefully we will come up with something.
2. Kathleen said there was a good positive that happened at the High School. Yesterday a student from the Health Class took CPR. Later that afternoon a teacher had a seizure and stopped breathing and that student administered CPR.

**HEALTH EDUCATOR
REGISTRAR REPORT**

ANIMAL CONTROL

1. Estelle said in Hopatcong, cats have the right to wander, what kind of ordinance does Stanhope have as far as trapping cats. She also asked what do you do with the stray cats that are captured and are the people in Stanhope aware that if their cat is picked up, it may be in the Hopatcong Pound. Phil said yes, if they call the Board of Health Secretary in their town, they would be told where their cat is. Phil will check on the ordinance in Stanhope.

SWAT

1. Kathleen said there will be a meeting tomorrow, Thursday. There will be a Community Forum on April 3rd at St. Jude's concerning drinking and alcohol in the community. Mariano stated that they requested three Board members to attend. Kathleen said she will call Melinda to see if she is planning to attend the April 3rd meeting. The subject of the meeting is Childhood Drinking Community Awareness Program.

ALL REPORTS: Jim made a motion to accept all reports, seconded by Joel. All in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Phil said he is invited to act as a participant in a First Responder Table Top Exercise. It will be Friday on March 31st. This will involve medication for emergency personnel, first aid, fire, EMS, and police. The police will be the distribution point. This is for your worst case scenario. Fran and Jamie will also be attending this exercise.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Phil asked for the Board's approval to renew the membership for the New Jersey Local Boards of Health Association. The cost is \$ 75.00. Rob made a motion to renew the Boards membership, seconded by Kathleen. Roll call, Mariano, Rob, Jim, Kathleen, Thom, and Joel, yes. All in favor.
2. 2005 BOH Annual Report: Phil said he sent the Board members copies of the work sheets. The report will be submitted electronically to the State Health Department. Phil said some of the answers; he has gone over several times with Fran, with the County along with Dale's reports, Fran's report and the Sanitarian's report. He said some of the questions are not a fit for us; we do the best we can in some areas. There was a brief discussion on this report. Phil then asked for the Board's approval. Kathleen made a motion to accept the Annual Report, seconded by Thom. All in favor.
3. Emergency: Phil said as of now, we are better prepared than anyone else in the County as far as fit testing and masks are concerned, with a little work with Thom and Chief Swanson and my part. We are working to get IDs for the remainder of the Health Dept. people here. If we as a Borough had an emergency of some type, we have our act together. At least we can get to first base, we have a plan.
Kathleen asked what role the BOH plays in case of an emergency. Phil said we have all your numbers, I can call you and suggest that we have an emergency meeting. Rob asked if we could have a meeting by phone and Phil said yes, in case of an emergency or we could meet after work here. Kathleen then asked about ID, Phil said this is something that we have to talk about. He said Chief Swanson is able to process an ID. Estelle said she would ask the Chief about this and get back to the Board.

Thom made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Kathleen, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Rosemarie Mitchell