

MINUTES OF THE
MENDHAM BOROUGH BOARD OF HEALTH
January 8, 2020

CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Board of Health of the Borough of Mendham was called to order at the Bowers Building at 7:00 pm.

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE:

“Adequate notice of this meeting of the Board of Health of the Borough of Mendham was published in the Daily Record and Star Ledger, posted in the Phoenix House and Bowers Building, and filed with the Borough Clerk in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Official action may be taken at this meeting.”

ROLL CALL:

Dr Lesley Anne Andrew- Present
Laura Gill- Present
Nancy Rodrigues- Present
Maureen Walker- Present
Laura Montenegro, Alt.1- Present
Melissa Young, Alt.2- Present

ALSO PRESENT:

Steve Andrew, Council Liaison
Karen Orgera, Board Secretary
Lucy Forgione, Bernards Township Health Officer
Nancy Dowd, Bernards Township R.E.H.S.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Maureen Walker made a motion to approve the minutes for the December 4, 2019 meeting. Nancy Rodrigues seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken of all members who were present at the December 4, 2019 meeting in favor, none opposed.

ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS OF OFFICE:

Robin Kline, Borough Clerk, administered the Oaths of office for Laura Gill, regular member, Dr. Lesley Anne Andrew, regular member and Laura Montenegro, alternate 1 member.

NOMINATION OF BOARD OF HEALTH PRESIDENT:

Laura Gill made a motion to nominate Maureen Walker as President and Laura Montenegro seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken with all members in favor.

NOMINATION OF BOARD OF HEALTH VICE PRESIDENT:

Maureen Walker made a motion to nominate Nancy Rodrigues as Vice President. Laura Gill seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken with all members in favor.

RESOLUTION #01-2020: Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Contract without competitive bidding to Dorsey and Semrau LLC for Board of Health Attorney Services

Resolution appointing Dorsey and Semrau LLC as Board of Health Attorney was motioned by Maureen Walker and seconded by Dr Lesley Anne Andrew.

ROLL CALL:

Dr Lesley Ann Andrew- YES

Laura Gill- YES

Nancy Rodrigues- YES

Maureen Walker- YES

Laura Montenegro- YES

Melissa Young- Alt.2- YES

All In favor, none opposed.

APPROVAL OF 2020 MEETING DATES:

MENDHAM BOROUGH
BOARD OF HEALTH
MORRIS COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
MEETING DATES 2020

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Mendham Borough Board of Health will meet at the Garabrant Center, 4 Wilson Street, Mendham, New Jersey to discuss or act upon public business at 7:00pm each of the dates set forth:

Wednesday, February 5
Wednesday, March 4
Wednesday, April 1
Wednesday, May 6
Wednesday, June 3
Wednesday, September 2
Wednesday, October 7
Wednesday, November 4
Wednesday, December 2
Wednesday, January 6, 2021

Any additional meetings or changes to the date, time or place of any scheduled meeting will be posted at the Garabrant Center and published in the official newspapers in advanced as required by law.

Nancy Rodrigues made a motion to accept the 2020 meeting dates, Dr. Lesley Anne Andrew seconded this motion. By voice vote all were in favor, none opposed.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT AND HEALTH EDUCATION REPORT:

Nancy Dowd distributed and reviewed the Health Officer's Report for the months of December 2019. A copy is on file in the Board of Health Office.

Nancy Dowd also distributed the Health Education and Youth Services report. This report talks about programs offered. A copy is on file in the Board of Health Office.

2020 FEES and RATES:

Lucy Forgione discussed the fees to be increased. Lucy explained to the members that the rates haven't gone up in several years and the need to increase them. The Board of Health is in line with what other towns are charging. The members were ok to move forward with the proposed increases.

NEW BUSINESS:

Melissa Young asked if a Facebook page could be created solely for the Mendham Borough Board of Health to help keep the residents informed on programs and other pertinent information. Karen Orgera reminded the members that the Mendham Messenger currently has a standing notice each month on how to obtain information regarding the Board of Health programs as well as information being on the Borough's website. Robin Kline provided information to the members on the Open Public Meetings Act (OPMA) and the issues surrounding the subject of social media.

Nancy Rodrigues discussed a matter that she had seen on social media. It was regarding an elderly couple in Mendham. Nancy inquired on what services could be provided to this couple. Laura Montenegro added to the discussion that Adult Protective Services were involved and the situation was complicated. Nancy Dowd shared more information on the why the services become limited.

Melissa Young brought up the recent issues at the Mendham High School. The high school is taking care of mental health programs is stigma free. She inquired on what programs could the Board of Health promote to the community. The Municipal Alliance programs were discussed.

ADJOURNMENT:

Being no further business, a motion to adjourn at 8:14pm was made by Maureen Walker and seconded by Laura Gill. A voice vote was taken with all members in favor.

Minutes prepared by:

Karen Orgera, Board Secretary