

**MINUTES OF THE
MENDHAM BOROUGH BOARD OF HEALTH
March 3, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER:

Board Secretary Karen Orgera called the regular meeting of the Board of Health of the Borough of Mendham to order at the Garabrant Center, 4 Wilson Street, and remote zoom meeting at 7:03pm.

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE:

Board President Maureen Walker read the following statement:

“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:

Lesley Anne Andrew- Present
Laura Gill- Present
John Nosta- Present
Maureen Walker- Present
Laura Montenegro- After Roll Call
Dr. Marilyn Althoff- Alt.1-Absent
Melissa Young- Alt. 2- Present

ALSO PRESENT:

Karen Orgera, Board Secretary
Nancy Dowd, Bernards Township R.E.H.S.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Laura Gill made a motion to approve the minutes for the February 3, 2021 meeting. John Nosta seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken of all members who were present at the February 3, 2021 meeting. All in favor, none opposed.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICER’S REPORT AND HEALTH EDUCATION REPORT:

Nancy Dowd reviewed the Health Officer’s Report for the month of February 2021. 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.

Nancy Dowd shared that Bernards Township will only be using two (2) locations for covid-19 testing. The locations are Peapack Gladstone and Basking Ridge. These locations have yielded the best turnout.

Nancy also shared that Bernards Township was approved for Covid-19 vaccine clinics. The approved clinic location is St. James Church in Basking Ridge, NJ. As of this date, Bernards Township is awaiting vaccines to be distributed.

Bernards Township hired a new employee who is working with the senior centers like MASH (Mendham Area Senior Housing) and CASH (Chester Area Senior Housing) to arrange appointments and transport for Covid-19 vaccines. Bernards Township is also working with Holly Manor nursing home in Mendham Borough.

A motion to approve the Health Officer's and Educational report was made by Melissa Young and seconded by Laura Montenegro. A voice vote was taken with all members in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

Melissa Young asked the members about how the Board of Health can deliver more communication to the community other than the methods currently being implemented.

Laura Montenegro agreed with Melissa and mentioned using email blasts to send information to the residents or using a system like RAV alert or text messaging alerts.

President Walker shared that the Board of Health of Mendham Borough, for the first time, is now members of the New Jersey Local Boards of Health Association.

ADJOURNMENT:

Being no further business, a motion to adjourn at 7:46pm was made by Laura Gill and seconded by Laura Montenegro. A voice vote was taken with all members in favor.

Minutes prepared by:

Karen Orgera, Board Secretary