# TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN BOARD OF HEALTH

## **MINUTES**

9:00 am

**January 10, 2018** 

#### **REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING**

## 1. PROCEDURAL

- a. Call to Order –
- b. Flag Salute
- c. Open Public Meetings Act Statement.

  STATEMENT: Pursuant to the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting was properly provided by sending a copy of the Notice of Meeting to the Asbury Park Press and the

sending a copy of the Notice of Meeting to the Asbury Park Press and the Atlantic City Press. Notice was posted on the bulletin board in the Administration Office.

Roll Call - Richard Arkenberg Absent
Nick Bonamassa X
Dana Covitz Absent
Cecilia West X
Dolores Marino X
Mary T. Neafie Alt. #1 X
Kelsey Denning Alt. #2 X

## 2. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

a. Approve Regular Business Meeting Minutes of October 11, 2017. Motion to approve the Regular Business Meeting Minutes of October 11, 2017 was moved by Mary Neafie, seconded by Celia West. All in favor: Aye. None opposed.

c. Activity Report Review- October, November, December 2017
Cecilia West inquired if the Barnegat Beach Civic Association is inspected by the Township.
Secretary Giardino discussed the food and swimming establishments are inspected by the Ocean County Health Department.

Cecilia West inquired if licensing only one (1) cat in October is normal. Secretary Giardino discussed yes, it is normal. Licensing of animals slows down after April 30<sup>th</sup>.

Cecilia West inquired about the quarantine of dogs and cats who bite their owners.

Secretary Giardino discussed if a person is seen by a doctor for a dog or cat bite, whether the animal is theirs or not, the doctor is required to report the bite to the Ocean County Health Department, who then instructs the Local Board of Health to dispatch an Animal Control Officer to the dog or cat's residence or not, to see if the animal is free from the rabies virus.

# d. Correspondence – 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2017

No comments regarding the correspondence.

## 3. OLD BUSINESS

## • Flu Clinic – October 20, 2017, 10am-12pm

The flu clinic was a success. Thirty-two (32) flu shots and one (1) pneumonia shot were administered.

## 4. NEW BUSINESS.

## Animal Licensing -

Currently 75 dogs and 14 cats are licensed. Secretary Giardino mailed 1,004 dog and 195 cat renewal notices on January 2, 2018. Township emails are being sent to residents notifying them of animal licensing requirements and the Free Rabies Clinic. A notice was also posted on the Township website.

## Rabies Clinic – Saturday, February 10, 2018, 9:30am-11am

The 2018 free Animal Rabies Clinic has been scheduled for Saturday, February 10, 2018. Cats are 9:30am-10:00am and dogs are 10:00am-11:00am. Members and volunteers should arrive at 9:00am.

A display notice advertising the rabies clinic will be published in the Mailbag Newspaper on February 3, 2018 and February 10, 2017. A notice was posted on the bulletin board at Town Hall, on the Township website, Township email, and will be on the flashing signs on Route 9 beginning February 5, 2018.

Dr. Wurst from the Barnegat Animal Clinic will be the veterinarian administering the shots.

Board of Health Members who have confirmed attendance are Dolores Marino, Nicholas Bonamassa, Dana Covitz, Mary Neafie and Kelsie Denning. There will be 6 or 7 high school students seeking community service hours volunteering as well.

Duties to be distributed among the volunteers are (1) Filling out rabies certificate with owner name, address, phone, animal name, breed, color, dog or cat, sex, age, size and vaccination dates, (2) letting owners know we need prior vaccination certificate in order to get a 3 year shot, otherwise they get 1 year shot, (3) crowd control – making sure cats are first and dogs are not allowed in until 10am, as animals exit allowing more in hallway to wait, (4) owners must clean up after their pet with supplies provided by

Board of Health (windex, paper towels, plastic bags), (5) passing out flyers: "Town Hall Open Today for Licensing" flyer.

Dolores Marino requested the registration tables be spread far apart, with lots of chairs in the main room and hallway. Board of Health members agreed aggressive dogs should be moved to the front of the line and separated from the other animals.

Mary Neafie requested cats and dogs be separated. Secretary Giardino discussed cats will go first, 9:30am-10:00am and dogs will go last, 10:00am-11:00am. Cats are usually kept in their carriers.

## 5. PUBLIC COMMENT.

No comment from the public.

## 6. BOARD COMMENTS.

No comment from Board Members.

NEXT MEETING IS \_\_\_\_\_ April 11, 2018 \_\_\_\_.

## 7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was moved by Nick Bonamassa, seconded by Dolores Marino. All in favor: Aye. None opposed.

Michele Giardino, Secretary
Township of Ocean Board of Health