

**TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN
BOARD OF HEALTH**

MINUTES

9:00 am

October 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 Atlantic City Press. Notice was posted on the bulletin board in the Administration Office.

Roll Call -

Cecilia West _____	X
Vacant _____	N/A
Nick Bonamassa _____	X
Dana Covitz _____	X
Mary T. Neafie _____	Excused
Kelsey Denning Alt. #1 _____	Excused
Joel Polter Alt. #2 _____	X

2. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

- a. **Approve Regular Business Meeting Minutes of April 11, 2018.**
Motion to approve was moved by Dana Covitz, seconded by Nick Bonamassa.
All in Favor: Aye
- c. **Activity Report Review– April, May, June, July, August, Sept. 2018**
No comments regarding the Activity Reports.
- d. **Correspondence – 2nd & 3rd Quarter 2018**
No correspondence received.

3. OLD BUSINESS

- **Animal Licensing -**

Celia West inquired the number of dogs/cats currently licensed and what is the fee. Secretary Giardino discussed there are 852 dogs and 182 cats are licensed. Licensing has dropped since Superstorm Sandy. The fees are \$15 for non-neutered/non-spayed animals and \$12 for neutered/spayed animals. Nick Bonamassa inquired if licenses have dropped due to the raised fees. Secretary Giardino discussed the fees were raised in 2007. Animal licensing was at its highest 2003-2012. Joel Polter discussed a lot of people do not register their animals.

4. NEW BUSINESS.

- **Flu Clinic – Friday, November 2, 2018**

Celia West discussed the annual Flu Clinic is at the Community Center, Friday, November 2, 2018 from 10am-12pm. Ocean County Health Department provides 3 nurses, 2-3 volunteers to help with paperwork and one person who coordinates the event. Ms. West inquired if any Board of Health members would like to assist. Dana Covitz discussed she will attend and help out. Celia West discussed the flu and pneumonia vaccination fees are \$20.00 each.

- **Rabies Clinic – Set Date – Schedule with Veterinarian**

Celia West discussed the Rabies Clinic date is scheduled for Saturday, February 9, 2019. Secretary Giardino is waiting for the Veterinarian to confirm. Celia will be in Florida on that date. Update 10/15/18: Veterinarian has confirmed February 9, 2018. Members can discuss further at January meeting.

- **Membership Term Expire - Cecilia West, Joel Polter, Nick Bonamassa**

Celia West discussed she would like to be reappointed and asked Joel and Nick if they would like to be reappointed. All members whose terms expired submitted Citizen Leadership Forms, which will be forwarded to the Township Committee for reappointment in January 2019.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT.

No public present.

6. BOARD COMMENTS.

Joel Polter inquired what is the difference between the Ocean County Health Department and the Ocean Township Board of Health. Secretary Giardino discussed the Ocean County Health Department has inspectors that inspect all the food establishments, tattoo establishments, public swimming areas, etc. The Ocean Township Board of Health meets quarterly and is in charge of organizing the annual Rabies Clinic and Flu Clinic.

Joel Polter discussed he is a retired dentist and inquired if the school provides dental exams for the children at the elementary school. Celia West discussed the school nurse does not perform dental screenings. The school nurse is the record keeper of the children's vaccinations and screenings. Joel Polter inquired if the Ocean Township Board of Health could recommend the school start performing dental screenings on the students. Nick Bonamassa discussed the Ocean Township Board of Health does not have the authority to recommend dental screenings to the school. Dana Covitz discussed if this is something Joel is passionate about, he could contact the Ocean Township School District Superintendent to suggest dental screenings for the students. Secretary Giardino will send you the contact information for the Superintendent.

Celia West discussed the uninsured population will have to be referred to the University of Medicine and Dentistry. Joel Polter will contact the Superintendent and offer to provide tongue depressors and toothbrush kits for the students. Celia West suggested Joel, as a concerned citizen, meet with the School Nurse, Colleen, who is a PHd Prepared RN and the Superintendent, Chris Lommerin.

NEXT MEETING IS January 9, 2019.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was moved by Nick Bonamassa, seconded by Joel Polter.
All in favor: Aye.

Michele Giardino, Secretary
Township of Ocean Board of Health