

**MINUTES OF THE
CRANBURY TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING**

May 3, 2021

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING

The regular meeting of the Board of Health of the Township of Cranbury was held on May 3, 2021 at 7:00 pm by remote access videoconferencing in response to COVID-19 and the updated Open Public Meeting Act guidelines.

CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Dr. Laura Zurfluh, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., and Jean Golisano acted as Recording Secretary of the meeting and announced the meeting was being recorded.

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

Pursuant to the Sunshine Law, adequate notice in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6) was provided on January 8, 2021 of this meeting's date, time and place, and the agenda was mailed to the news media, posted on the Township bulletin board, mailed to those requesting personal notice, and filed with the Municipal Clerk.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Dr. Roop Grewal, Mr. Wes Markham, Esq., Ms. Maureen Rafferty and Dr. Laura Zurfluh were present. Mr. Gene McDermott was excused.

NON-MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Dr. Barbara Rogers, Township Committee Liaison
Ms. Joann Charwin, Municipal Alliance Chair
Ms. Natalie Bujalski, Middlesex County Health Official

MINUTES

The Minutes were reviewed and edits were made. Upon a motion by Dr. Grewal, seconded by Mr. Markham, with all members present in agreement, the motion to adopt the amended April 5, 2021 minutes was passed.

HEALTH REPORTS

The members reviewed the April 2021 Middlesex County Board of Health Reports. Ms. Bujalski reported she conducted food inspections at 7-Eleven, the Cranbury Inn, Jersey Eatz BBQ/Grill Trailer Mobile and Zinna's Eatz Mobile Truck. All four establishments were rated Satisfactory. Amazon TTN2 and TTN3 food establishments were also inspected and rated Conditionally Satisfactory. The Hampton Inn recreational bathing facilities were inspected and were rated Satisfactory.

Ms. Bujalski reported that in April additional summonses were issued to delinquent pet owners. She reported three unlicensed pet cases were heard in court on April 28th. All three cases pled guilty with explanations. The judge requested Ms. Bujalski provide feedback on the cases to Town Hall.

ENVIRONMENTAL REPORTS

The members reviewed the April 2021 Environmental Reports with no comments or discussion.

OLD BUSINESS

Licensing Update – Ms. Golisano reported as of May 3rd, there were 458 dogs and 71 cats licensed for 2021.

Mayors Wellness Campaign – Dr. Zurfluh reported the second Wellness Informational Session, “Chair Yoga,” was held on April 21st. Dr. Rogers praised the session and stated she hoped more residents will take part in future sessions. There was discussion about offering future chair yoga sessions to seniors. Dr. Rogers will reach out to Mr. Jay Taylor, recreation Liaison to see if Recreation funding is available.

The next presentations will be:

May 19 - Jazzercise

Future Scheduled Wellness Dates: June 16, July 21, Aug 18, Sept. 15, Oct. 20, Nov. 17 and Dec. 15.

Wellness Team – Dr. Zurfluh, Ms. Eman El-Badawi and Ms. Joann met last week concerning the Health and Wellness Fair. The Board of Health and the Environmental Commission will partner in organizing a wellness hike in four of the Township’s preserves. A Boy Scout will create a video of each preserve trail, and the Team is reaching out to people to lead each hike. Children who watch the video, participate in the hike and answer a Trivia sheet will win a prize. Dr. Rogers has a PowerPoint presentation of the Reinhardt Preserve and will narrate a video.

Board Members Participating at Wellness Sessions – Ms. Golisano confirmed that per the Township Attorney, all Board of Health members may attend Wellness sessions. As long as Board of Health issues are not discussed, and members are participating in the Wellness Session, there is no violation of the Open Public Meetings Act.

NEW BUSINESS

Cannabis Ordinances – Mr. Markham reported he reviewed the materials distributed last month by Ms. Joanne Charwin. There was discussion about the Board of Health submitting to the Township Committee its stand on the ordinances. The Parks Commission and Board of Recreation Commissioners have submitted statements to the Township Committee. Mr. Markham offered to write a short statement on the health risks of cannabis, which he will distribute to Board of Health members for their input.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Joanne Charwin, Chair of the Municipal Alliance, reported the Cranbury Arts Council is against the sale of recreation cannabis in Cranbury. She stated it is within the Board of Health's realm to voice its position on the concerns of recreational cannabis as related to areas of health. Marijuana can affect underlying health conditions and Ms. Rafferty confirmed even medical marijuana can be detrimental to individuals with certain health conditions.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

There being no further business, the meeting was thereupon adjourned at 7:45 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Markham and seconded by Ms. Rafferty. All present were in favor, and the motion carried unanimously.

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am the duly appointed Secretary of the Cranbury Township Board of Health, and that this document, consisting of three (3) pages, constitutes a true and correct copy of the minutes of the monthly meeting held on May 3, 2021. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name this 8th day of June, 2021.

Jean Golisano

Board of Health Secretary