

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

June 1, 2020

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING

The regular meeting of the Board of Health of the Township of Cranbury was held 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.

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 December 16, 2019 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. Notification of remote access meetings going forward until further notice was posted on the Township website on April 24, 2020, and sent to the Trenton Times, Homes News and Cranbury Press on May 1, 2020.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Roop Grewal, Wes Markham, Gene McDermott, Maureen Rafferty and Laura Zurfluh were present.

NON-MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Michael Ferrante, Liaison
Natalie Bujalski, REHS, Middlesex County Health Department
Bill Bauder, Cranbury resident

MINUTES

Upon a motion by Dr. Zurfluh, seconded by Dr. Grewal, with all members present in agreement, the motion to adopt the May 4, 2020 minutes was passed.

HEALTH REPORTS

Ms. Bujalski reviewed with the Board the March and May 2020 Middlesex County Board of Health Reports. Gil and Bert's was inspected and rated Satisfactory. There was no April Board of Health Report as Health Official was reassigned to COVID-19 responsibilities.

ENVIRONMENTAL REPORTS

There was no activity to report for the month of April.

OLD BUSINESS

Licensing – Ms. Golisano reported as of March 2, 2020, there were 407 dogs and 69 cats licensed for 2020.

NEW BUSINESS

Mosquito Control on Petty Road

Dr. Zurfluh reported last year Mr. Bill Bauder came before the Board of Health with concerns about mosquito control on Petty Road. It was hoped the mosquito problems would be resolved this year when the drainage issues were corrected with the Petty Road construction. However, construction has not started yet and mosquito season is underway. Dr. Zurfluh reported the Middlesex County Mosquito Commission has been out to treat the drainage with Bti, a bacteria that affects the mosquito larvae. Dr. Zurfluh reported Mr. Bauder felt something more effective should be used. Mr. Ferrante reported that the Mosquito Commission did come to the site in May, and while there were no mosquito larvae at the time, the drains were still treated. He reported last year the treatments were successful, and this year the wells will be inspected and treated every month. Mr. Ferrante stated the drains will be redone when the road construction is done, which is still on track for this year. The goal until the construction is done to observe, check and treat as necessary. Dr. Zurfluh confirmed the inspector will be out every month to treat the drains with the Bti pellets. She reported this is a safe, effective treatment, which has been used for over 30 years, that does not affect adult mosquitos, but affects the larvae. Mr. Ferrante stated the situation will be monitored and once the construction is complete will require less attention. Mr. Bauder could not be reached at this point, and Mr. Ferrante suggested he could respond during the Public Comment.

Summer Recreation Camp

Mr. Markham stated there are discussions going on about Cranbury holding summer camp this year and, depending on the State's guidelines, inquired if the Board of Health should have a role in determining how that might happen. Mr. Ferrante reported the CDC has guidelines concerning camps, and the Recreation Department is looking to see how a safe program could be designed. In addition, Mr. Ferrante reported the State guidelines say programs could open on July 6th. Mr. Ferrante stated the guidelines would include well-spaced outdoor activities, small groups, and no trips. Mr. Markham stated he has been following the guidelines and inquired who would make the final decision and would the Board of Health be involved. Ms. Bujalski stated the Middlesex County Health Department Official would follow the CDC guidelines. Mr. Markham inquired about the proposed plans and would the Board of Health provide feedback. There was discussion about the pre-assessment of the children coming to camp, assessment sheets and record keeping and proposed guidelines. Ms. Rafferty stated she felt the CDC guidelines are broad and would need to be tightened up. Ms. Bujalski stated she could do a pre-operational inspection. Ms. Bujalski stated she would speak to her supervisor to see if the County will be doing anything additional in their inspections. Mr. Ferrante stated the Township Committee would ultimately make the decision if camp were to open.

Mr. Ferrante stated if the Recreation Department could structure an outdoor program for the children, it could be very beneficial. There was additional discussion about the guidelines, and Mr.

Markham stated he would be willing to take a look at the operational guidelines. He stated the guidelines cannot just be followed; an operational plan would also have to be in place. Mr. Ferrante stated he sent an e-mail to the summer recreation program offering Natalie's support and the Board of Health's willingness to review any operational plans.

Mr. Markham suggested perhaps benchmarking what other summer camps are doing. Dr Zurfluh stated the Board of Health would be willing to assist the Recreation Department.

COVID Results

Dr. Grewal followed up on Mr. McDermott's question last month concerning the reported COVID cases in Cranbury and the outcome of the cases. Ms. Bujalski stated due to HIPPA rules, information could not be released. There was additional discussion concerning COVID symptoms and cases.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Bill Bauder, Petty Road, stated he had comments concerning the recent mosquito treatment, which was not Bti, but was mosquito larvicide oil, BVA2. He stated the treatment was not pellets but was a sprayed application. Dr. Zurfluh clarified that Bti can be in various forms. Mr. Ferrante stated the Petty Road construction is still currently planned to commence in 2020. Mr. Bauder stated the county recommended filling up the two problem wells with gravel to alleviate the mosquito problem. Mr. Ferrante confirmed the 2020 maintenance plan has been established to address the mosquito problem until the construction of the drainage wells and Petty Road is completed.

There being no additional comments, the public comment was closed.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

There being no further business, the meeting was thereupon adjourned at 7:55 p.m. on a motion by Dr. Grewal and seconded by Mr. Markham. 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 June 1, 2020. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name this 7th day of July, 2020.

Jean Golisano

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Board of Health Secretary