

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

September 9, 2019

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING

The meeting of the Cranbury Township Board of Health was held in Town Hall, 23A North Main Street, Cranbury, New Jersey on September 9, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

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. Ms. Golisano explained that all future meetings will be 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 December 20, 2018 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

Roop Grewal, Gene McDermott, and Laura Zurfluh were present. Sid Roychowdhury arrived at 7:02 and Wesley Markham at 7:06.

NON-MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Natalie Bujalski, REHS, Health Officer
William Bauder, Cranbury resident

MINUTES

The July 1, 2019 Minutes were reviewed. Upon a motion by Dr. Zurfluh, seconded by Dr. Grewal, with Mr. McDermott abstaining, the motion to adopt the July 1, 2019 minutes was passed.

HEALTH REPORTS

Ms. Bujalski reviewed with the Board the July and August 2019 Middlesex County Board of Health Reports.

ENVIRONMENTAL REPORTS

The Board reviewed the June and July 2019 Environmental Reports.

OLD BUSINESS

Licensing – Ms. Golisano reported as of September 9, there were 431 dogs and 67 cats licensed in the Township.

Roles and Responsibilities of Board of Health – At the June meeting, Mr. Kevin Van Hise, Esq, Board Attorney, spoke to the members about the Board’s roles and responsibilities. At that time, Mr. Van Hise reported parts of the Code were outdated and irrelevant. The members requested Mr. Van Hise clarify further by providing a list of the Board’s responsibilities. In a memo, Mr. Van Hise recommended the members refer back to the Township Code. The members further discussed they had hoped a list of current, relevant responsibilities would have been provided. It was decided that issues would be handled on a case-by-case basis and would seek legal counsel as necessary.

NEW BUSINESS

Rabies Clinic – The next free rabies clinic will be held on Saturday, September 21st from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. at the Cranbury Fire House. Dr. Grewal and Ms. Golisano will work at the clinic.

Flu Clinic – Dr. Zurfluh will follow up with Middlesex County about possibly hosting a flu clinic for the teachers at Cranbury. Ms. Bujalski provided contact information.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Bill Bauder, Petty Road, suggested the Board members access ANJEC, which provides the most up-to-date information on Boards’ responsibilities.

Mr. Bauder reported there is a problem with mosquitos breeding due the improper drainage of the dry wells on Petty Road. He stated dry wells are supposed to drain within 72 hours; however, due to the clay composition of the soil, water is remaining in the dry wells. Mr. Bauder has been in contact with the Township Committee, Middlesex County Water/Septic Team, and the New Jersey Mosquito Commission and New Jersey DEP. Upon recommendation that the dry wells be cleaned, the Township contracted East Windsor to clean the wells; however, the wells are still retaining water. To avoid contaminating residents’ wells, pesticides cannot be applied to the dry wells. Mr. Bauder stated this is a health issue and requested the Board of Health write a letter to the Township Committee seek a remedy to the problem and put funds in the budget to address it.

Mr. McDermott left the meeting at 7:35 for a First Aid call.

Mr. Markham suggested the Board verify the problem. Dr. Roychowdhury suggested checking for mosquitos after a rainfall. Ms. Bujalski stated if the Mosquito Commission had been involved, they would be the best source to check for mosquitos. She provided the Commission’s contact information to Dr. Zurfluh for follow up. Mr. Bauder stated this is a budgetary problem, and the Township has not set aside funds in the past for the maintenance. He stated they have standing water all the time. The members will follow up on the issue.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

There being no further business, the meeting was thereupon adjourned at 7:50 p.m. on a motion by Dr. Zurfluh and seconded by Mr. Markham. All present were in favor. 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 September 9, 2019. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name this 8th day of October, 2019.

Jean Golisano

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Board of Health Secretary