

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Morris Plains Board of Health held on August 8, 2012 at 7:30 PM, in the Council Chambers, Borough Hall, 531 Speedwell Avenue, Morris Plains, New Jersey.

The following were present: Mrs. Peg Dugan  
Mrs. Catherine Marshall  
Mrs. Pam Nelson  
Mr. Larry Ripley  
Dr. Dario Fenimore

Attending: Mr. Ben Samara, Sanitarian  
Mr. Frank Mangravite, Council Liaison

### Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Dugan at 7:45 PM. Mrs. Dugan stated that adequate notice of this meeting has been published and posted in accordance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975, “Open Public Meetings Act.”

Sanitarian’s Report – Mr. Samara reported on the following:

Lemongrass and the Morris Plains Pharmacy received Satisfactories. A convenience store received a Conditional as a result of their slicers not being cleaned on a daily basis. Their new manager was given a copy of the Code by Ben. Since the manager is presently on vacation, a reinspection will be set up upon this manager’s return. A fine of \$245 was levied.

Foxwood’s pool received their final inspection of the year and everything was satisfactory.

Ben has visited the municipal lots 3 times within the past month and did not find any problems.

He issued a letter to a Franklin Place resident for overgrown vegetation in the backyard. The house is also in disrepair. They received a summons.

A Dayton Road resident also received a letter regarding overgrown vegetation.

Mrs. Dugan had received a call from Ben regarding the Mosquito Commission. They have been notified about a pool of mosquitos at Watnong Park. Ben is presently monitoring it on a regular basis.

Ben also received a call regarding the potential exposure to rabies from a bat. Fortunately, the tests for rabies came back negative. Meredith had driven the bat to Trenton for testing. Mr. Ripley wanted to know the status of the bat population in Morris Plains. Ben assured him that it is diminishing.

Ben asked the Board to set the date for the Rabies Clinic, since he needs to order the vaccine shortly. The Board decided that January 12, with a snow date of January 19 would be the dates. Carole will check on Dr. Werner’s availability and will notify Ben.

Bills – Madison Health Department for the second quarter of 2012 in the amount of \$23,278.25

Mrs. Marshall made a motion to approve payment. Mrs. Nelson seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mrs. Dugan - yes  
Mrs. Marshall - yes  
Mrs. Nelson - yes  
Mr. Ripley - yes  
Dr. Fenimore - yes

Motion carried.

New Business – Dates were discussed for the sign-ups for this year’s Wellness Day, which will be held on Oct. 20. The following dates were agreed upon:

Sat. Oct. 6 10 – Noon  
Wed. Oct. 10 6 – 7:30 PM  
Sat. Oct. 13 10 - Noon

Mrs. Dugan stated that Lauri Fu had contacted her recently with some concerns about Christine Chesler trying to reserve a room at Community Park for an a new class. No one from Madison had contacted the Board about holding the class, so it was a complete surprise to both Peg and Lauri. When Peg asked Madison who their contact was in Morris Plains, they didn’t have an answer. The program does seem worthwhile, since it educates people with chronic diseases on how to manage their disease. The number of participants would be limited to 12 to 16 at a cost of about \$20 each. The sessions would be 2 ½ hours long and would run for 6 weeks in the Fall.

There being no further business, Dr. Fenimore moved that the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Larry Ripley. Voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

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Carole J. Howell  
Secretary