

# Meeting Minutes: Freehold Township Board of Health

May 9, 2019

## REGULAR MEETING

### Opening

#### 1) Call to Order

The May 9, 2019, regular meeting of the Freehold Township Board of Health was called to order by Chairwoman Ms. Lemesevski at 6:38 PM. Board members present included; Mr. Chudkowski, Mrs. Weissman, Mrs. Porth and Chairwoman Lemesevski. Absent: Dr. Reilly, Ms. Allen, Mr. Ammiano, Dr. Opatut & Dr. Apolito. Also present: Margaret Jahn, Health Officer and Julie Kramer, Recording Secretary.

The following statement was read by Chairwoman Lemesevski "In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law, c.231, P.L. 1975, this meeting was announced by posting a notice on the bulletin board reserved for that purpose; by mailing such notice to the office of the official newspapers of the Township and by filing such notice with the Township Clerk."

#### 2) Minute Approval-February 14, 2019

The approval of the February 14, 2019 meeting minutes was tabled. Board members who were present were not at the February meeting.

#### 3) Activity Reports Approval – February, March & April 2019

The Activity Reports are still in the process of completion due to the revised format and GEO30 system. They will be available for the June 2019 meeting.

### Correspondence

4) Paul McGuire Family Health Center -The Board agreed that the letter written by Ms. Jahn was nice and appreciative of the Center's dedication and service.

5) VNA Health Group – Letter of Support – The Board reviewed the letter with no comment.

6) VNA Health Group – 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter and Year-End Total - The Board reviewed the annual report with no comment.

7) NJ Local Board of Health – Welcome Letter and Newsletter- The Board reviewed the welcome letter and newsletter with no comment.

8) NJDOH – NJ Health Matters Newsletter – The Board reviewed the newsletter with no comment.



## New Business

9) Request for Waiver – 321 Hunt Rd – Chickens - The Board reviewed the request for waiver letter and denied the request until further information is available. The requestor was invited to attend the meeting, but were not present. The letter did not fully explain various concerns such as the following: the coop’s ability to be “moved around the property”, proper protection from predators, surrounding neighbor approval and questions about heating of the coop - was this necessary? Mr. Chudkowski suggested we await Dr. Opatut’s input (Veterinarian).

10) Request for Waiver – 50 Alder Court – Chickens - This request was received recently and was added to the agenda today. The information in the request was significant, but the Board would like the applicant to be invited to the next meeting since there were some questions they would like to address, similar to the questions and concerns of previous waiver. The decision was tabled until the June 13, 2019 meeting.

11) Resolution – Immunization Bill No. 3818 - After reviewing proposed Bill No. 3818, the Board discussed the issues resulting from allowing religious exemptions for specific immunizations for children in preschool and K-12. The Board agreed that the purpose of Bill No 3818 was significant and important for public health, especially regarding the significance of the current resurgence of measles in the country. Chairwoman Lemesevski requested a motion to support Bill No 3818 through Resolution 19-02, Ms. Porth moved to support Bill No 3818 through Resolution 19-02, seconded by Ms. Weissman, with the Board voting as follows:

Ammiano:	Absent
Allen:	Absent
Apolito:	Absent
Reilly:	Absent
Chudkowski:	Aye
Lemesevski:	Aye
Weissman:	Aye
Opatut:	Absent
Porth:	Aye

12) Temporary Health Officer Services – Manalapan Township – Ms. Jahn reported to the Board that Manalapan was currently looking for a new Health Officer. She stated that Manalapan requested that Ms. Jahn act as the Temporary, or Acting Health Officer, for a period of time until they can find the



appropriate candidate. Freehold Township and Manalapan are currently in an agreement for this service to be provided. Ms. Jahn stated that it has been a substantial amount of work given the measles situation and additional meetings that she has attended. The Board questioned whether Freehold Township was going to take Manalapan on as an additional interlocal agreement. Ms. Jahn was unsure if this was being considered.

## **Public Comment**

No public comment

## **Adjournment**

With no further business to discuss and no public comment, a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 PM was made by Mr. Chudkowski, seconded by Ms. Porth and carried by the Board.

Julie Kramer

Recording Secretary

