
**BOROUGH OF SPRING LAKE HEIGHTS
BOARD OF HEALTH**

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

OF

May 16, 2017

SILENT REFLECTION AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG

1. ROLL CALL: 6:00 P.M.

CHAIRPERSON	LEONARD GILES – Present
VICE CHAIRPERSON	VICKI HANLON - Absent
MEMBERS	KATHRYN MOLOUGHNEY - Present
	PATRICIA SKUBON - Present
	BARBARA ROSE - Present

HEALTH INSPECTOR MIKE KOWAL

SECRETARY MARY ELLEN KARAMUS

2. THIS MEETING IS CALLED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETING LAW. NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WAS POSTED ON THE BOROUGH OF SPRING LAKE HEIGHTS WEBSITE AND ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING.
3. MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA: Motion made by Chairperson Giles; Second by Board Member Skubon. All Present Aye
4. MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:
Motion made by Board Member Skubon; Second by Board Member Moloughney. All Present Aye
- January 17, 2017 Reorganization Meeting
 - January 17, 2017 Regular Meeting
5. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

6. COMMUNICATIONS:

- 01/30/2017 Email from Administrator Jay Delaney
 - Chairperson Giles mentioned the email from Administrator Delaney regarding the Commission website. Chairperson Giles added that the Commission website is very active. It gets a lot of hits. The website is always being upgraded. He suggested members should go and take a look at the website. Mike Kowal added that information, such as from the CDC, is also on the website.

- Special Issue 2017 Health Source Newsletter
 - Chairperson Giles added that the newsletter is put together with the Commission educator, along with a consortium of other health departments.
 - He mentioned we may be the second health department to become accredited. Mike Kowal mentioned there are competitors, not a lot, but maybe 6 other departments possibly applying.
 - Board Member Moloughney asked who nominates health officer of the year. Chairperson Giles responded New Jersey Boards of Health. Dave Henry received Health Officer of the Year. The nomination came from our president who was the president of that organization for a long time, but not president at the time who nominated, gave the name of the Commission. Dave Henry won and the public health nurse was runner up. Chairperson Giles brought up that Paul Roman gave a wonderful speech at the 80th anniversary; that he is very knowledgeable, has held national office and he loves Public Health. The Commission is lucky to have him.

- December 2016 Health Officer Report
- January 2017 Health Officer Report
- Spring Lake Heights Activity Report 01/09/2017 through 04/27/2017
- Monmouth County Health Department Update on Guide to Proper Handling of Bat Exposures with Guide
 - Chairperson Giles asked if there was anything on the activity reports. He mentioned the mobile cart. Mike Kowal pointed out that typically the Commission would not have inspected

them but they use the Spring Lake Heights kitchen and this particular mobile establishment, in this case, where usually mobile places are allowed to go into a venue under the supervision of the owner of the establishment and only a letter is needed, in this case this vendor wanted to get into a special event and the health department of the jurisdiction of the event wanted an inspection report from the Commission, along with the facility so to make it easier on the vendor, and help them not get kicked out of the event due to lack of paperwork, they inspected as well. Chairperson Giles asked if the establishment was based here. Mike Kowal replied North Jersey. Mike Kowal added that the prep work is done here. Chairperson Giles inquired not inspected up there? Mike responded no. Chairperson Giles pointed out that that is different from here. Mike agreed, very different; the Commission likes to see what they're doing. The Commission helped the vendor get approved.

- Board Member Moloughney inquired about all of the activity on 623 Essex Avenue. Mike Kowal responded that some businesses try the spot out for a while and then go out of business. Also, when the home baked foods bill goes through, maybe July or August that that will impact the need for the use of the spot since people will be able to run baked goods prep and businesses from their home.
- Board Member Rose asked if Marigolds Market is approved. Mike Kowal commented it's been approved but they have more to go through. Board Member Skubon asked what are they selling, is it a deli based on the market part of the name? Mike Kowal answered they may or may not be depending on any possible local zoning issues; not from a Commission standpoint able to be a deli.
- School immunizations all did excellent.
- Board Member Moloughney asked about the bats. What causes a bat to bite? Board Member Skubon asked about rabies. Mike Kowal explained access points in the home; bats come in in extreme weather; hot to nest and cold to stay warm and if there are mosquitos in the area, they like that as well, but if they breed and multiply in the home, that is more of an issue. They can get in a living area but the problem is their teeth are so sharp, you can be sleeping, bit, exposed and never know it. As long as they see a bat in the home and can trap it, the Commission can test it. Board Member Skubon asked why would someone not know they are bit and Mike Kowal explained someone can be sleeping with a

window open, a bat can come in, bite someone and go back out and the person never knows it was a bat bite. Board Member Skubon asked if typically they are in attics. Mike Kowal said that is a major access point but again, any unscreened window. Board Member Rose asked if you can't catch the bat, what happens? Mike Kowal said that's when you just go and get rabies post exposure protocol. A lot of times if it is a known exposure, where people know they got bit, the Commission suggests to start the series and when the results come back, if negative, you can stop. Chairperson Giles asked how long does it take to test them? Mike Kowal responded it depends on volume of work in the lab, what day, time of day but about 24 hours, although testing has gotten strict with bats because there are so many that now the State's typical protocol is if the bat is not in the bedroom the State doesn't want to test them, but public health officials disagree with that so if they are in the house, they test them. Board Member Skubon inquired do you know where rabid bats were found? Mike Kowal said not all but some were in Spring Lake.

- Chairperson Giles asked if there was anything further.
- The scheduled meeting of August 15th is to be rescheduled.

7. VOICE OF THE PUBLIC

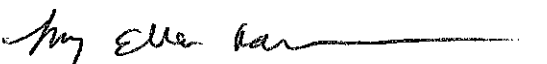
8. VOICE CLOSED BY / AT : PM

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

10. NEW BUSINESS:

11. ADJOURNMENT:

ON MOTION BY: Board Member Rose; seconded by Board Member Skubon. AT 6:17 PM; ALL YES

SIGNED: 
MARY ELLEN KARAMUS
BOARD OF HEALTH SECRETARY
August 9, 2017