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BOROUGH OF SPRING LAKE HEIGHTS  
BOARD OF HEALTH

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August 8, 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 - Absent
	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 Board Member Rose; Seconded by Board Member Skubon. All present, Aye.
4. MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:
  - May 16, 2017 Motion made by Board Member Rose; Seconded by Board Member Skubon. All present, Aye.
5. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

## 6. COMMUNICATIONS:

- May 2017 Health Officer Report
- June 2017 Health Officer Report
  - Chairperson Giles asked if anyone had any comments on the report, he noted that the health officer was very busy in May and June. Any questions on the reports? Chairperson Giles asked if Mr. Kowal had any comments; no.
  
- Spring 2017 Health Source Newsletter
  - Chairperson Giles noted the Spring Health Source newsletter. He mentioned that Connie, the contracted health educator, who has done a good job with the newsletter, is a big help as well as a consortium comprised of several towns.
- Summer 2017 Health Source Newsletter
- Rutgers Press Release July 2017
- SLH Activity Report 04.27.17 through 07.31.17
  - Board Member Rose asked about dog bite incident in Activity Report. Board Member Skubon commented it referred to Jersey Avenue. Board Member Rose asked if the dog was rabid. Mike explained that the person was not the owner of the dog; it was a friend who had gotten bit but it was just a trial period for the dog. The fostered dog ended up being returned after the bite out of state where it was detained and found to not have rabies.
  - Board Member Skubon asked where the reference to pool water analysis report, microbiological is in conformance; does that mean everything is okay and the difference where it indicates satisfactory? Mike indicated that yes, the microbiological indicates that a water sample is okay and that the satisfactory indicates the actual inspections of the facility.
  - Board Member Skubon referred to the Atlantic Avenue possible area of mosquito breeding? Mike explained it has been an ongoing issue, two houses; one property is abandoned and the person occupying the property is not able to take care of the property. The pool has a cover, but it is not adequate to prevent the mosquitos so it has been treated as a breeding area. Mosquito Control does treat and check and inspect in the case of a breeding area.
  - Board Member Rose noted that the Marigold Café is open. Mike said they are open but not yet ready to have an unannounced inspection.
  - Board Member Skubon brought up a new public beach in Deal being contaminated and in the Highlands and whether our beaches in this area are involved. Mike Kowal indicated he did

not believe so. Chairperson Giles added that Dave Henry was talking about a break in the sewer pipe. Mike Kowal then commented on the difference between point source pollution and non-point source. He also mentioned that there has been testing in our area on Mondays when it rains by the DEP over the summer in relation to the pipe which was just installed and that all testing came back pretty good in light of the amount of flushing through pipes. Mike added the testing is to make sure it does what it should do. Chairperson Giles added that the old one did not. Mr. Kowal also pointed out that the DEP enforces operation and tells the town when they can open and close it.

- Board Member Skubon added that the Health Source really contains good information.

- Public Health Alert – Mushroom Poisoning

7. VOICE OF THE PUBLIC

8. VOICE CLOSED BY / AT : PM

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

10. NEW BUSINESS: December meeting changed from December 19 to December 5 depending upon email confirmation.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

ON MOTION BY: Board Member Rose; Seconded by Board Member Skubon  
AT 6:12 PM; ALL YES

SIGNED:



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MARY ELLEN KARAMUS

BOARD OF HEALTH SECRETARY