

**WATCHUNG
BOARD OF HEALTH
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 9, 2011**

CALL TO ORDER-

Vice-President's Statement-

Under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., notice of the time and place of this meeting has been posted and sent to the official newspapers.

ROLL CALL-

Robert Riedinger (A), William Nehls, Council Liaison (P); Harriet Stambaugh (P); Fran Ellis (P) ; Mary Mobus (A); George Pogosky (A); Bruce Ruck (P); John Sachariah (A); Peter Savulich (P) Middlebrook Representative Kevin Sumner (P)

Bill Nehls requested a moment of silence for Max Weber

Bill Nehls handed in his resignation as a member of the Board of Health, effective immediately.

CONSENT AGENDA:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF January 19, 2011 MEETING

Fran Ellis moved to accept the minutes of January 19, 2011, seconded by Harriet Stambaugh, all were in favor.

Report of Vital Statistics for :

JANUARY

Births - Male- 3 Female- 1
Deaths- Male- 3 Female- 3
Marriages- 1
Domestic Partnerships – 0
Civil Unions - 0

HEALTH OFFICERS REPORT FOR - January (Kevin Sumner)

There were still questions regarding the sale of food products from a home. The food is not being prepared in the home. Regardless of whether or not the food is being prepared in the home they must still store the food until picked up by purchaser. They must be inspected and have a food handler license. Kevin will follow up on this to see what is being done.

There was a question about the location of new Ma & Paws Pet Shelter site is. It is located on Route 22 West near BJ's. They have been inspected by Robin, they have paid their fees and their license has been issued.

Harriet questioned Dollar Tree – review of floor plan for renovations to include installing refrigeration and freezer units. Kevin said it is most likely for ice cream, and pre-packaged foods, etc.

REPORT OF REPRESENTATIVE TO MIDDLE BROOK –

Bruce and Kevin:

There are mostly new people on the Commission.

No one has been appointed at this time as President of the Commission.

They talked about drugs, setting up meetings for the Commission, also the website and possibly posting what is going on with the link between vaccines and Autism which has been proven to be incorrect.

Kevin said they spoke about the Commissions move. The VNA contract is done, and the Women's Health and Counseling contract is complete. Bound Brook signed the agreement with Middlebrook., so we are good for another year.

January was Radon month and he has quite a few RADON Test kits that we can sell to residents for \$7.00 until they are used up. These were purchased in bulk by all the towns in the county which brought the cost down. The fee for the supply that Watchung currently has on hand is still \$18.00 but Kevin will bring the Borough a supply of the \$7.00 kits and we should sell those first.

He mentioned they are looking for county Grants to do Public Health Intervention.

NJHOA Grant: \$10,000

There was a discussion about re-appointing the Lawyer in case he is needed. It was questioned about how they could appoint this position without knowing the fees, etc
Kevin will get information prior to any appointment.

Kevin said there is a carry over from the H1N1 program and the State is offering the Commissions \$10,000 grants. This cannot be used for people or any budgeted items - So we really have to come up with different ideas for using this grant. One item that is being considered is a laminating machine.

Bruce questioned why we were considering spending this on "Toys" and not on something more important like Health Education, etc.

There was a discussion on who would be attending the next Commission Meeting – Bruce cannot attend and neither can Harriet. There was no decision on who would attend but **it was stressed that it is important that we have someone there from Watchung to represent our interests.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS-

The fee schedule was discussed and it was decided that Kevin would email a copy of a Spreadsheet for members to review and send suggestions for changes. It will be further discussed at the April meeting. Kevin informed the Board that the fee for Pet Shops is set by the State at a maximum of \$10.00 per year.

Tobacco Ordinance: Kevin thought we should recommend this to the Mayor and Council and give copies to the Laws and Ordinance Committee. They may then decide to pass it as a Borough Ordinance. The Board of Health Members are in favor of an ordinance for tobacco.

NEW BUSINESS-

Bruce passed out information on "Bath Salts". As far as he knows it is not prevalent in Watchung but it could start popping up at convenience stores, etc. He suggested that we keep our eyes open.

He also mentioned that PCP is coming back very strong – but as far as he knows it is not in Watchung yet.

Watchung Little League (Le Shack) – request for waiver of fee for Food Handler License. Fran Ellis moved to approve the waiver request, seconded by Harriet Stambaugh. All in attendance were in favor.

MIDDLE BROOK - Items for discussion – attached list

- Brief discussion on Rabies Cases by County & Species.

VOUCHERS SUBMITTED FOR PAYMENT-

Roxdane Kennels – 1 st quarter 2011	-	2754.06
Moore Wallace – Safety Paper	-	68.58

Harriet moved to approve payment of the vouchers, seconded by Peter Savulich.

Vice President Ruck requested a roll call:

Ellis; Stambaugh; Savulich and Ruck

All members in attendance were in favor of payment.

PUBLIC PORTION: No public in attendance

ADJOURNMENT:

Fran Ellis made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Harriet Stambaugh – all members in attendance were in favor.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on April 13, 2011 at 7:00 PM at Borough Hall, 15 Mountain Blvd., Watchung, NJ 07069

Respectfully submitted,

MaryAnn Hance
Secretary Board of Health