

**WATCHUNG  
BOARD OF HEALTH  
MINUTES  
February 25, 2009**

**CALL TO ORDER-**

**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 (P); William Nehls, President & Council Liaison (P); Harriet Stambaugh (P); Fran Ellis (arrived 7:05); Mary Mobus (P); George Pogosky (A); Bruce Ruck (A); John Sachariah (A); Peter Savulich (A)  
Middlebrook-Kevin Sumner (P)

**OATH OF OFFICE:**

Mary Mobus was administered the Oath of Office. The Oath was signed and will be placed on file in the Clerks office.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF January 21, 2009 MEETING**

Fran Ellis moved to accept the minutes of January 21, 2009, seconded by Bill Nehls, all were in favor.

**Report of Vital Statistics for : January 2009**

Births -	Male- 3	Female- 0
Deaths-	Male- 0	Female- 6
Marriages- 0		
Domestic Partnerships –	0	
Civil Unions -	0	

**HEALTH OFFICERS REPORTS FOR - January 2009 (Kevin Sumner)**

Questions to Kevin:

Mary questioned Hepatitis C incident – Kevin explained these are not active cases they are chronic cases. They must investigate all reported to determine if active, chronic, and history could be false positive results, follow up, etc. These are not confirmed cases. Every reportable disease is investigated.

Were there any food establishments with contaminated peanut food products still on their shelves? There were none in Watchung – all were removed.

**REPORT OF REPRESENTATIVE TO MIDDLE BROOK – Bill Nehls**

Middle Brook had their reorganization meeting with following results:

William Nehls, President, Greg Reilly, Vice President, and Judy Bailey is Treasurer

They discussed thoughts for the year, meeting dates and did the salary resolutions.

Jean Ross has retired and they are planning a retirement dinner for March 27, 2009 – invitations will be going out shortly.

Accreditation – a draft of National standards for accreditation was released this month. Kevin did send his comments back to them. Kevin said we went through the State evaluation with no problems.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS-**

Bill would like the board to keep in mind for future discussion the posting of calories at food establishments. He had no new information.

Further discussed resident emails and how to get people to sign up. There were several suggestions but no final conclusions. There is now an area on the Food Handlers Renewal forms for establishments to include their email addresses and FAX numbers. Could possibly send a flyer through the schools requesting email addresses from parents, with the approval of Dr. Malyska.

**NEW BUSINESS-**

Request for waiver of Food Handler fee for Watchung Little League (LeShack). Bob said he would like to have it conditional that those handling the food be instructed on the proper **safe handling** of food products. This can be included in the letter to the applicant when renewal sent out.

Public Health Week – 1<sup>st</sup> week in April-schools closed that week. Bob asked if something could be done through the schools to bring awareness of current health issues to students. Could be on drug/alcohol abuse or any other issues. Kevin would like to come up with something for the community that would be cost effective.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**BOROUGH:** Memo from R. Felling regarding Feral Cats – **no discussion**

**MIDDLE BROOK**

Items for discussion – only the January report which was discussed under Health Officers Report.

**PUBLIC PORTION:** No public attended

**ADJOURNMENT-** Motion to adjourn moved by Fran Ellis, seconded by Mary Mobus  
All members in attendance approved.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on April 15, 2009 at 7:00 PM at the Texier House,  
10 Mountain Blvd., Watchung, NJ 07069

Respectfully submitted,  
*MaryAnn Hance*  
Secretary, Board of Health