

**TOWNSHIP OF MAHWAH  
BOARD OF HEALTH  
MINUTES  
July 14, 2015**

The regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Board of Health of the Township of Mahwah, held at the Municipal Offices, 475 Corporate Drive, Mahwah, New Jersey, was called to order at 7:30 PM by President, Sydney Harris.

The Opening Statement was read according to the Sunshine Law and was followed by Roll Call:

PRESENT:           Mr. Harris  
                      Mr. LaMontagne  
                      Mrs. Mertz  
                      Mrs. DeSilva  
                      Mr. O'Brien

ABSENT:            Dr. DeMaria  
                      Mr. Wasson

PROFESSIONALS:  Mrs. Musella, Health Officer  
                      Mrs. Campbell, Secretary  
                      Mrs. Homler, REHS

**APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Moved by Mr. LaMontagne and, seconded by Mrs. Mertz and, unanimously agreed by all present to approve the Minutes of June 9, 2015.

**APPROVAL OF HEALTH ACTIVITIES REPORT**

Moved by Mr. O'Brien and, seconded by Mrs. DeSilva to approve the Health Activities Report for June.

Mrs. DeSilva asked for the vicinity of a horse farm that had been noticed for non-licensure. Mrs. Homler noticed a discrepancy in the report and clarified that there were farms on both Old Oak Drive and on Oak Road, the former being located off Wyckoff Avenue and the latter up on Stag Hill. The abatement notice was sent to the horse owner on Oak Road.

Mrs. Mertz requested details of the bite investigations performed in June. Mrs. Homler replied that the two animal-to-human bite investigations involved the two bats which were sent for testing. Mrs. DeSilva inquired if the exposures took place within the homes. Mrs. Homler responded yes, and that both bats tested negative. She then volunteered that the animal-to-animal bite incident occurred between a dog and a chicken.

There being no further questions or discussion, the Health Activities Report for June was unanimously approved.

**APPROVAL OF HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT**

Moved by Mrs. Mertz and, seconded by Mr. LaMontagne to approve the Health Officer's Report for June.

Mrs. DeSilva inquired as to the status of the produce embargoed subsequent to a motor vehicle accident on the Route 17 flyover. Mrs. Homler replied that the cranberries were not salvageable and were destroyed. She also noted that, sadly, there was a fatality involved.

There being no further comments or discussion, the Health Officer's Report for June was unanimously approved.

**BILLS - JUNE**

Moved by Mr. O'Brien and, seconded by Mrs. DeSilva and, unanimously agreed by all present to pay the bills for June.

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

No activity.

**REPORT OF LIAISON TO MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

No Activity.

**REPORT OF ATTORNEY**

Mr. Mason reported that Carol Tyler, ACO, will inspect Mr. Surgent's farm later this week and issue a final report. To Mrs. Tyler's knowledge there is adequate staffing because the stable hand is still employed there, and the volunteers are coming regularly. Providing Mrs. Tyler finds him compliant upon inspection, she will recommend issuance of a license.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**6/11/2015 From: George Surgent To: Jeffrey Mason**

Apprising Mr. Mason of the names of the hired stable hand and two volunteers.

**7/01/2015 From: Linda Schwager, Attorney re. 31 Midvale Mt. Road**

Correspondence addressed to Mr. and Mrs. Cattiny, owners of referenced property, and copied to the Board re. potential impact of their well drilling on her client's property at 21 Midvale Mountain Road. Discussion ensued as to the Department's regulatory authority.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Mrs. Musella was pleased to report that Mrs. Hagan would be returning to the Department on Thursday July 16<sup>th</sup> as the full-time Deputy Registrar/Senior Clerk.

There being no further questions or discussion, a motion to close the meeting was made at 8:15pm by Mr. LaMontagne and, seconded by Dr. DeMaria and, unanimously agreed to by all present.

The next Regular meeting is scheduled for **September 8, 2015** at 7:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Marianne Campbell  
Secretary