



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE MONTVALE BOARD OF HEALTH  
12 MERCEDES DRIVE, MONTVALE, NJ  
CONFERENCE ROOM #1 @ 7:45 PM  
September 12, 2011**

President Cohen called the meeting of the Board of Health to order at 7:45pm. Adequate notice of the meeting was provided to The Record and the Ridgewood News, informing the Public of the time and place, according to the Provisions of the Open Public Meeting Law (Chapter 231, P.L. 1975).

Roll call attendance was members: J.Cohen, President (P), R.Woodward, V. President (P), M. Danna (P), C. Flagg (P), L. Hopper (P), J. Landzberg (P), P. Lennon (P), Council Liaison Mayor Fyfe (P), Secretary J. Russo (P)  
Professionals: G. Brunner, NWBRHC Sanitarian (P), C. Tyler, Animal Control Officer (A), J. Wendolowski, R.N., MSN of HARP (P)

**Approval of June Minutes**

A motion to approve minutes was made by M. Danna & seconded by R.Woodward. The minutes were approved. The minutes will be posted on Borough web site.

**Meeting Opened to the Public.**

A motion was made by R.Woodward & seconded by M. Danna to open the meeting to the Public.

President Cohen welcomed J. Wendolowski, R.N., MSN of HARP and new council liaison Mayor Fyfe. President Cohen said the board will suspend from the regular agenda so that J. Wendolowski can present her report first.

J. Wendolowski distributed copies of the 2011 Biannual Report (January to June) to the members. The report contained a list of programs which were offered and the attendance at these programs. J. Wendolowski discussed the number of reportable diseases in Montvale. New Jersey schools/daycare facilities are reporting that the immunizations compliance numbers are decreasing.

There was discussion regarding the upcoming Flu Vaccination Clinic which is scheduled for September 24, 2011 at the Senior Citizen Community Center. The date and time has been advertised in *Community Life, My Montvale Newsletter*, on flyers in the Borough complex, Public Library, Senior Citizen Community Center, Borough website, town marquee and announced at the Mayor and Council Meeting. Some members have volunteered to assist with the paperwork at the clinic. HARP has vaccines for tetanus (Tdap) which will be offered to first responders. There will be no additional cost to the Borough for Tdap vaccines; it is being paid for by grant money.

J. Landzberg made a motion to extend an invitation to all volunteer members of the Montvale Fire Department and the Tri Boro Ambulance Corp to receive their annual flu vaccination. Mayor Fyfe stated that there is money available to offer this service. L. Hopper seconded the motion. All in favor. Invitations with date/time/location will be sent to Fire Department Chief Clint Miller and Tri-Boro Ambulance Corp President Heather Mc Gee.

President Cohen discussed the geese population on Memorial Drive. She contacted C. Tyler requesting early morning chasing of geese. Mr. Culvert told President Cohen that Carol Tyler of Tyco Animal Control attempted to chase the geese from the field several

September mornings. However, there were no geese present while C. Tyler's vehicle was parked on Memorial Drive. The proceeding day, when C. Tyler's vehicle was not present the geese landed on the fields. Apparently, the geese respond to the sound of Tyco's Animal Control truck. In response to newsletter request, only one resident has volunteered his dog to chase the geese during the day. Efforts to reduce the number of geese remain an issue, which will be discussed further. The Board will request via budget submission that monies for geese patrol efforts be allocated. The problem is becoming greater with frequent complaints being fielded via phone to the Board of Health office.

The secretary said that the Borough Administrator, Maureen Iarossi Alwan suggested having an additional rabies clinic in November or moving the date earlier due to weather conditions. The Board discussed that last year's cancellation was the first in memory and was not interested in moving the date. President Cohen stated that, in the event a winter storm is predicted, the clinic should not be cancelled days in advance. Last year the storm did not occur and cancellation was not necessary.

President Cohen received a report from the secretary that there was a recent complaint involving regarding a resident suffering from dementia who is causing a health problem in the neighborhood. The public health nurse from HARP had reached out to the family previously and provided assistance with finding appropriate placement. President Cohen asked J. Wendolowski to re-visit the home. The public health nurse will contact President Cohen with the outcome.

Discussion ensued regarding cancellation of the October Board of Health meeting. President Cohen asked for a motion to cancel. R. Woodward so moved. Seconded by Leigh Hopper. All in favor. President Cohen will notify members should a meeting be necessary due to unforeseen circumstances. The next meeting will be held on November 7, 2011.

### **Monthly Reports:**

**Activity Report of NWBRHC-** G. Brunner distributed and read monthly activity report. A copy was emailed to Mr. Culvert, DPW Supervisor. There was additional activity as a result of Hurricane Irene. Food Handlers Course will be offered in October, the secretary mailed registration forms to food establishments in the borough.

**Registrar Reports** R. Woodward read the reports.

**Sanitation Report** – Trash complaints resulted from Hurricane Irene.

**Animal Control Report** R. Woodward read report.

**Council Liaison Report.** Council Liaison Mayor Fyfe gave a report on some pending projects which will increase the Board's responsibilities.

**Local Health Information/Brochures** All information will be available in the Board of Health office. Flyers and brochures are available in the displays at borough hall.

**Adjournment** President Cohen asked for a motion to adjourn. R. Woodward made the motion, seconded by J.Landzberg. The meeting was adjourned.

**Next meeting will be held on November 7**