

**Meeting of Montvale Board of Health
Council Chambers
12 De Piero Drive
Montvale, NJ 07645
Monday, March 7, 2022
Meeting Time: 7:45pm**

President Cohen called the meeting of the Board of Health to order. Adequate notice of the meeting was provided to *The Record* informing the public of the time and place, according to the Provisions of the Open Public Meeting Law (Chapter 231, P.L. 1975). The Sunshine Law is in effect. Meeting Open to the Public.

Attendance

Members: J. Cohen, President (P), G. Clark (P) M. Danna, Vice- President (P), L. Hopper (P), J. Jacobson (P) J. Landzberg (P), & P. Lennon (P)

Non- Members: Council Liaison Cudequest (P), & Secretary J. Russo (P)

Contracted Professionals:

G.Dorsi, Northwest Bergen Regional Health Commission (P)

J. Wendolowski, Hackensack Meridian Health Public Health Nurse (A)

Carol Tyler & Kim Nangle, Tyco Animal Control Services (P)

The meeting information was posted on the website & Sunshine Law is in effect. Meeting open to the public. There were no members of the public present.

President Cohen thanked M. Danna for preparing a resolution honoring Rose Curry to be read at public Mayor & Council meeting.

President Cohen introduced Gary Dorsi from NW Bergen Regional Health Commission and asked each member to introduce themselves.

President Cohen asked for a motion to approve the January minutes. J. Landzberg made a motion to approve the minutes & M. Danna seconded it. The minutes were approved on a roll call vote. The minutes will be posted on Borough website.

The Mayor remains in contact with the public health nurse regarding number of COVID cases and posts information to residents. President Cohen stated that, with the availability of home testing not reported, the case number will show significant decrease.

President Cohen announced that the HARP contract remains unexecuted. President Cohen spoke to J. Wendolowski regarding the status of the contract. J.Wendolowski was scheduled to attend the meeting this evening, however, due to a change in her schedule she was unable to attend. She was given a report via phone. President Cohen said that the public health nurse & G. Behre received an email forwarded by J. Russo from a resident requesting a booster vaccine for homebound senior. Arrangements will be made and the Board wishes to thank J. Wendolowski. Due to two-month closure of Senior Center, HARP will be increasing blood pressure screenings for spring. Healthy Bones classes have resumed with quality control via HARP.

Mayor contacted President Cohen, asking for guidelines/ procedures regarding the mandating of masks, & vaccinations for Senior/community center. The center was closed for months of January & February. The Center was reopened without any requirements in place per Mayor Ghassalli. President Cohen voiced her professional opinion that masks should be gradually removed. Mayor Ghassalli stated he contacted Governor's office and followed their guidelines of no mandatory mask requirement. Mask requirement was lifted from all municipal facilities.

President Cohen thanked Carol Tyler and Kim Nangle from Tyco Animal Control for attending the meeting. President Cohen updated the members on the recent dialogue between the administrator, J. Russo and Council Liaison Roche, C. Tyler & K. Nangle regarding Fair Game Goose Control. Geese dropping had increased. This resulted in communication with Tyco Animal Control. The owner, Carol Tyler was questioned if she was interested and able to increase Tyco Animal Control geese chasing services. The

Board invited Tyco to the meeting tonight to gather information. President Cohen asked for written proposal to be submitted to include an additional fee for the additional fields (photo of fields were previously email to Carol Tyler) and to include weekend hours, written accountability as well as an increase in geese harassment during weekdays. Currently geese are chased at dawn and dusk. C. Tyler stated geese take coverage for night and need to be chased at various times. The Board will wait for Tyco addendum to the existing contract before making any decision. The Montvale Board of Education is responsible for the cost of geese chasing on school property and will have to be informed of any change.

M. Felegy of Fair Game was invited via email to attend tonight's meeting. However, per an email, she was unable to attend in person and provided an email of termination & a final geese status report to J. Russo. Email was shared with President Cohen.

Annual health license is currently being processed. The deadline to pay was extended from March 1 to March 4 per administrator. J. Russo is currently reaching out to establishments that remain outstanding.

President Cohen discussed the Planning Board approval of new establishment that will be providing HydraFacials, facial massages and waxing. President Cohen reported that she has spoken to Mayor Ghassali and sent an email to Planning Board asking if Board of Health can be included in any establishments related to health or medical procedures. President Cohen referenced an email which the Board was copied in on several months ago regarding an incident that occurred at Let Loose. The letter was reviewed with the Borough attorney and did not require a comment.

NW Bergen Reg. Health Commission Activity Reports G. Dorsi read January & February reports. All members were provided with copies. Open discussion regarding items. G. Behre was unable to attend tonight's meeting per President Cohen.

Registrar & Vital Static Report- M. Danna read January & February reports.

Child Health Conference Report- No one attended the clinic in January & February.

Council Liaison Report- T. Cudequest reported on the M&C meeting. T. Cudequest stated that there was a senior trip which requires bus transportation. She recommended to the Council that the seniors that will be on the bus provide proof of vaccinations. T.Cudequest said council voted in favor of requiring vaccinations to be eligible for transportation.

[Adjournment](#)

Meeting closed to the public. A motion to adjourn at 9:10 pm was made by M. Danna, second by J. Landzberg. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Reminder if you are unable to attend, please email Joyce Cohen & Janet Russo.

***Next meeting is on MONDAY, MAY 2 AT 7:45PM.
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