# HARDING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF HEALTH THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2022

# **Meeting Minutes**

Dr. Cervone, Chair, called the regular meeting of the Harding Township Board of Health to order on September 8, 2022, at 7:30 p.m., and announced the meeting was called in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey.

# **ROLL CALL:**

Secretary Sharp called the following Board of Health members in attendance.

**BOH Attendance**: Dr. Cervone, Mr. DeNave (arrived at 7:55 pm), Mrs. DiTosto, Dr. Lacz,

Mrs. McKittrick, and, Mr. Platt

**Absent:** Dr. Kao

**Health Department Attendance**: Mrs. Lisa Sharp and Mr. George Byrnes

County of Morris Attendance: Miss Shelby Meyers

**BOH Counsel**: Joseph Sordillo, Esq.

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## **MINUTES OF JUNE 9, 2022:**

Dr. Cervone asked if there were any questions with regard to the June 9, 2022 minutes. Upon a motion made by Mrs. McKittrick, seconded by Mr. Platt, and with votes of all ayes, Mrs. DiTosto abstained, none opposed, the minutes for the June 9, 2022 meeting were accepted.

#### MONTHLY REPORT FOR JUNE/JULY/AUGUST 2022:

Mrs. McKittrick inquired about the notices received from Tri State Pump & Septic regarding the advanced wastewater systems. Mr. Byrnes explained that when the applicants originally installed their advanced wastewater septic system, they used Tri State Pump & Septic to service their maintenance agreements. Tri State sold the company to Cold Creek. A new owner has now purchased Tri State Pump & Septic and sent notices to all original applicants. Most of the notices received from Tri State are now serviced by Cold Creek.

Mr. Platt inquired if the Health Department has received any well drought notifications. Mr. Byrnes responded with he has received one call regarding their well but the Health Department has not received any notifications of drought conditions.

Mrs. Sharp informed the Board of Health that the annual flu clinic is scheduled for October 4, 2022 from 3 to 7 pm and that Atlantic Health will be administering the flu vaccinations as well as COVID-

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19 booster vaccinations. A notice was placed in the Thumbnail and the clinic will be advertised on the two electronic message boards.

With no further comments, Dr. Cervone asked for a motion to accept the June, July, and August 2022 monthly Health Department reports. Upon a motion made by Mrs. DiTosto, seconded by Mr. Platt, and with a vote of all ayes, none opposed, the monthly Health Department reports for June, July, and August 2022 were accepted.

# COUNTY OF MORRIS MONTHLY REPORT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF HARDING – JUNE, JULY, AUGUST 2022:

Dr. Cervone asked if there were any comments or questions with regard to the Morris County Monthly Reports.

Miss Meyers reported that the Public Health Nurse commenced blood pressure testing at the Kemmerer Library on September 8, 2022. The Public Health Educator will discuss Health Wellness at the Senior's meeting on October 13, 2022. Free COVID tests will be available at the Kemmerer Library and there is a food class in Hanover on September 20, 2022 from 1 pm to 3 pm.

With no further comments, a motion was made to accept the June, July, and August 2022 Monthly County of Morris reports by Mrs. DiTosto, and seconded by Dr. Lacz, and with a vote of all ayes, none opposed the monthly Morris County reports for June, July, and August 2022 were accepted.

## **BOH 2023 BUDGET:**

The Board of Health reviewed the proposed 2023 Expense Budget for the Health Department. Dr. Cervone asked for a motion to approve the 2023 Expense Budget for the Health Department. Upon a motion made by Mrs. DiTosto, seconded by Mrs. McKittrick, and with a roll call vote of all ayes none opposed, the 2023 Expense Budget for the Health Department was approved.

### OTHER MATTERS AND HEARING PERSONS PRESENT:

There were no hearing persons present.

Let the record show that Mr. DeNave arrived at 7:55 pm.

## **Other Matters:**

Mrs. Sharp reported that the Health Department has received many notices of dog bites for the month of July and the month of August where the dogs were not licensed. Mrs. Sharp explained warning letters are sent but many do not respond to the letters. Mrs. Sharp made a suggestion of amending the dog ordinance to change the late fee to start in February instead of March. A discussion ensued regarding amending the dog ordinance which would change the date of the late fee from March 1<sup>st</sup> to February 1<sup>st</sup>. Mr. Sordillo, Board of Health Attorney explained that this would require the Township Committee to amend the dog ordinance. Mr. Sordillo explained that the Board could send a

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memorandum to the Township Committee suggesting the change. Upon the discussion, Dr. Cervone made a motion to send a memorandum to the Township Committee in favor of amending the ordinance to change the delinquency fee date from March to February. A motion was made by Dr. Lacz to send a memorandum to the Township Committee, seconded by Mr. DeNave, with a roll call vote of all ayes, and none opposed. Mrs. Sharp will draft a memorandum.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

With no further comments, a motion was made by Mrs. DiTosto, seconded by Mr. Platt, and with a vote of all ayes, none opposed, the meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa A. Sharp

Secretary, Board of Health

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