

# **Hillsdale Board of Health**

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## **MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**

Hillsdale Board of Health  
December 2, 2014

President DeCaro opens meeting at 7:05 p.m., December 2, 2014

“This is a regular meeting of the Hillsdale Board of Health. By resolution adopted on December 3, 2013, a notice of time and place of this meeting was provided to the Ridgewood News and is posted on the electronic bulletin board and on the bulletin board in the lobby of the Borough Hall.

### **Secretary calls the roll:**

**Present:** Mrs. Barbara Ann DeCaro, President, Dr. Susan Kushner, Vice-President, Mrs. Marguerite Deppert, RN, Mrs. Lois Kohan, Mrs. Christina Fanelli, RN, Mr. Gary Cochran, NWBRHC, Mrs. Elaine Meyerson, Mrs. Angela Musella, NWBRHC, Mr. James Stephens, Dr. Rona Weinberg, Mrs. Chrisoula Looes, Council Liaison

**Absent:** Mrs. Louisa Toledo

**Approval of Minutes:** Regular Meeting, December 2, 2014

Motion to receipt and file: C. Fanelli                      Second: E. Meyerson

**Approval of November 2014 Correspondence:**

Motion to receipt and file: J. Stephens                      Second: C. Fanelli

### **Health Office and Employee Reports:**

#### NWBRHC

1. A. Musella had a meeting with B DeCaro in reference to The Shaping Up New Jersey Conference and to discuss the possibility of Hillsdale applying with NWBRHC to obtain a grant to reduce obesity and chronic disease.
2. A. Musella attended a webinar on conducting Ebola disease investigations on the Communicable Disease Reporting and Surveillance System, CDRSS.
3. NWBRHC has been finishing up end of the year inspections. 5 inspections were done in November.
4. G. Brunner approved plans for some interior renovations at King’s Supermarket. There was a discussion on a plan review fee for the consumer, not the town.
5. There have been no changes in the NWBRHC Contract except for a 2% price increase.

## LOIS KOHAN

1. There have been an increasing number of people attending the exercise class at Hillsdale House.
2. L. Kohan said the rabies clinic went well, but there was some discussion that the lighting outside was very bad and dangerous to the residents and their dogs. B.DeCaro said she would discuss this with the DPW Superintendent for next year's clinic.
3. The food pantry was given 80 turkeys which the Westwood Football team picked up and then handed out the turkeys to families. L. Kohan said the food pantry desperately needs more food. She said that over 200 people came to the pantry for Thanksgiving Food. E. Meyerson asked what the difference was between the food pantry and Hillsdale Helping Hillsdale. L. Kohan explained that the pantry just gives out food, but Hillsdale Helping Hillsdale helps people with financial difficulties with bills, etc.
4. Christmas and Hanukkah gifts will be collected from the schools and on December 19, 2014 they will be put together and wrapped.
5. L. Kohan did many home visits in November.

## MARGUERITE DEPERT

1. There was a Child Health Conference in November .
2. 7 cases of communicable diseases were reported, but no lead cases reported.
3. M. Deppert did 2 home visits, 1 new patient and 1 revisit.
4. There were no blood pressure clinics in November. For Hillsdale House the clinic dates have changed to the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month.
5. There was no walk-in health program as borough offices were closed.
6. The Coat Drive began on November 1 and will continue through December 15, 2014.
7. M. Deppert and B. DeCaro met with representatives from CarePlus School-Based Youth Service program on November 25.

**Motion to receipt and file:** J. Stephens

**Second:** C. Fanelli

**Opening of Public Meeting 7:54 p.m. – Closed Public Meeting 7:55 p.m.**

**Prior Business:**

1. **Walk Across America** – No report at this time
2. **Radon:** 25 Kits have been ordered for distribution to Hillsdale residents.
3. **Adult Playground Grant:** No report at this time
4. **Coat Drive.** Began November 1 and will end December 15, 2014.
5. **Babysitting Clinic:** 48 children attended and was very well received.
6. **Care Plus, New Jersey** - This program provides therapy and intervention to students identified as having mental health and/or behavioral concerns and is school based. The cost for a contract with Care Plus for 2 days doing programs at the school would cost approximately \$30,000 and would be paid by the town. This program would have to go to the schools for approval. The guidance counselors at the schools do utilize Care Plus for crisis situations but not on a permanent basis. There will be further discussions on this matter in a few months.
7. **Shaping Up New Jersey Conference** was discussed in A. Musella's report.

**New Business:**

1. **Child Health Conference** fee increase was voted on and passed.
2. **Expiring terms for board members.** R. Weinberg and C. Fanelli's terms expire at the end of 2014. They both agreed that they wanted to stay on for another term.
3. **Centennial Field Remediation Report** from Neglia Engineering was looked at by A. Musella who said that there are 4 hot spots where methane is high on Centennial Field and will probably have to be monitored for a long time.
4. **Meeting dates for 2015 decided.** Jan 6, Feb. 3, Mar. 3, April 7, May 5, June 2, Sept. 8, Oct. 6, Nov. 2, Dec. 1.
5. **Budget** – There will be no further travel expenses in 2015. The refrigerator for the nurse's office will be purchased in December.
6. **The Red Ribbon Poster** contest winners will be picked at the January Meeting.

**Vouchers:** Were signed and approved.

**Motion to receipt and file:** R. Weinberg      **Second:** C. Fanelli

**Motion to Adjourn:** E. Meyerson

**Second:** R. Weinberg

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.