

# **Hillsdale Board of Health**

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Minutes of the Regular Meeting

Monday, June 22, 2020

7:00 pm

## **President Opened the Meeting:**

This is a regular meeting of the Hillsdale Board of Health. By resolution adopted on January 7, 2020, a notice of the time and place of this meeting was provided to the Ridgewood News, and was also posted on the electronic bulletin board and on the bulletin board in the Borough Hall lobby.

## **Secretary Calls the Roll:**

Elaine K. Meyerson; Diane Ohme, RN; Christina Fanelli, RN; Chris Looes; Jim Stevens; Dr. Susan Kushner; Louisa Toledo, RN; Angela Musella, REHS; Marguerite Deppert, RN; Lois Kohan, RN.

**Absent:** Janetta Trochimiuck, Councilwoman

This meeting was conducted remotely (GoToMeeting) and all members participated remotely in real time.

**Call for Additional Agenda Items:** No additions.

**Approval of Minutes:** Meeting of May 6, 2020

**Motion to receipt and file Minutes:** C. Looes      **Seconded by:** J. Stephens  
Passed Unanimously

**Correspondence:** None

**President's Report:** It's been quiet except for Covid. There haven't been any special events or meetings. I'm glad that things have started to quiet down. I hope that we get some good updates from the nurses and to hear what's happening.

**Health Officer and Employee Reports:** (copies of reports are filed). These reports include Health Officer's activities, Vital Statistics, Monthly financial receipts and Public Health Nurse Reports

1. Angela Musella gave her report for May.
  - Daily conference calls regarding COVID-19.
  - COVID-19 investigations and contact tracing of positive cases.

- Required to report cases 7 days a week for long term outbreaks, number of expirations for municipalities long term care and provide testing back to May 30<sup>th</sup>.
  - No inspection was done.
  - One complaint was investigated and addressed.
  - No animal bites.
2. M. Deppert gave her report for May.
- There was a small CHC's held in May.
  - 33 cases of COVID were reported.
  - Daily conference call with the Board of Health.
  - Another call at the beginning of the month to discuss the state's contact tracing strategy which is scheduled to roll out June 29<sup>th</sup>.
  - Attended regular department meetings
  - Will do another small CHC in July
  - June 24<sup>th</sup> COVID testing at Stonybrook
3. L. Kohan gave her report for May.
- Completed webinars.
  - Conference call with borough administrator.
  - Robo call and email blast for residents in need.
  - Exercise class at Hillsdale House held outside.
  - Health education program at Hillsdale House on COVID-19.
  - Working with OEM, 50+ Club and Mayor on testing at Stonybrook.
  - Weekly phone calls to clients.
  - Food pantry delivered 120 frozen dinners to all residents of Hillsdale House. Thank you to Councilman DeRosa for his help.
  - 10 Hillsdale Meals on Wheels clients received \$100 worth of food from Chicken Delight to help supplement meals on weekends. This was a gift from the food pantry.
  - Along with Kathie Elgert, assisted a homeless working gentleman find a home and provided a refrigerator and microwave.
  - Homeless woman referred to the Center for Hope and Safety as well as women's rights and info center.

**Motion to receipt and file:** C. Fanelli  
Passed Unanimously

**Seconded by:** L. Toledo

**Opening and Closing of Public Meeting:** 7:47

No one from the public joined on the remote call.

**Prior Business:**

1. Child Health Conference (CHC) Contract Status – Two outstanding contracts
2. Municipal Alliance – No update
3. COVID-19 Update- Information regarding cases and expirations not coming in in a consistent manner. Hospitalizations have decreased significantly.

- Most health departments feel they should be given the funding to handle the contact tracing themselves.
- Contact tracing is going to be very challenging.
- As more places such as outdoor dining, camps, pools they are all coming with stringent regulations and requirements.
- NWBRHC has been doing inspections of establishments doing outdoor dining.
- Indoor dining will begin on June 29<sup>th</sup> at 25% capacity.
- Mental health concerns and resources.

**New Business:** 1. Angela Thanked everyone for the gift and all the years they had together. Gina Behre, REHS,MS will be the new Health Officer for Northwest Bergen Regional Health Commission.

**Other Business:** None

**Motion to adjourned:** ?

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**Passed Unanimously**

**Seconded by:** ?

Respectfully submitted:

Jennifer Hausmann  
Board Secretary