

# **Hillsdale Board of Health**

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## **MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**

Hillsdale Board of Health

September 10, 2013

President DeCaro Opens Meeting at 7:03 p.m., September 10, 2013

“This is a regular meeting of the Hillsdale Board of Health. By Resolution adopted on December 4, 2012, 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 Borough Hall.

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

**Present:** Mrs. Barbara Ann DeCaro, President, Mrs. Christina Fanelli, RN, Mrs. Kimberly Hampton-Saul, Dr. Susan Kushner, Vice President, Mrs. Lois Kohan RN, Mrs. Barbara Martine, RN, Mr. Gary Cochran, NWBRHC, Mr. James Stephens, Mrs. Chrisoula Looes, Council Liaison.

**Absent:** Mrs. Angela Musella, Dr. Rona Weinberg

**Approval of Minutes:** Regular Meeting, June 14, 2013

Motion to receipt and file: C. Fanelli

Second: K. Saul

### **June, July & August Correspondence:**

Motion to receipt and file: J. Stephens

Second: C. Fanelli

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

1. Complaint was received about Walgreens women’s bathroom. The toilet seat was loose and it was very dirty. An inspection was done and the toilet seat was broken. The bathroom appeared clean but it is an old bathroom. G. Brunner met with the manager and was told the cleaning company comes every Thursday. The manager put in a work request to have the toilet seat repaired. At a further site inspection the toilet seat was replaced and the bathroom was clean.
2. There was a complaint from a tenant living on Magnolia Ave. that there was mold in the closet and she was having breathing problems. There was no further investigation as the tenant moved.
3. A complaint was received about an uncovered pool with stagnant water and mosquitos. An abatement notice was sent to the homeowner and an e-mail was sent to Bergen County Mosquito Commission to service the

pool. A further inspection revealed that the pool water was clear and no violation was observed.

4. There were various complaints about several food establishments. Investigations are pending on most of them.
5. G. Cochran said he was asked for ID by a manager at Starbucks, while doing an inspection. The question was brought up as to whether towns should supply the inspector's at NWBRHC with ID's.
6. The Vaccines for Children yearly seminar is September 17, 2013.
7. Bergen County Health Dept. had a Blood Born Pathogen class.
8. B. Martine went to a Child Health Consortium on June 17, 2013 from 8 a.m.- 4 p.m.
9. No clients for June – Aug. for Lead.
10. Communicable Disease Reporting – 7 clients, 3 lyme, 2 Hep. B, 2 Hep C.
11. Flu Clinic is Sept. 17, 2013 from 4-7 p.m. at Boro Hall, Hillsdale House is Sept. 19 from 10-11 a.m. Borough Employees will be in October. The cost for the flu vaccine is much cheaper this year.
12. Skin Cancer Screening was July 30, 2013 – 47 people were checked.
13. Rabies Clinic will be in November.
14. Child Health Clinic June 12 – July 11 – Sept. 17
15. B. Martine saw 3 new clients with Tracy Jeffery, she also did revisits.
16. In June 2013 B. Martine went to a George White School Meeting with Spanish Parents, with a speaker who told them what services the town has to offer them.
17. L. Kohan is busy at Hillsdale House with home visits. She is also still doing the exercise class there. The Food Pantry gave the Hillsdale House residents a dinner with Bingo to follow.
18. L. Kohan has still been helping veterans and has also been visiting Spectrum for Living.

Motion to Receipt and File: J. Stephens                      Second: C. Fanelli

**Opening of Public Meeting 810 p.m.**

B. DeCaro and B. Martine had a meeting with J. DeJoseph, Borough Administrator, in regards to hiring the new Public Health Nurse. The Board has received 1 resume for the position. J. DeJoseph told them that only he had the authority to hire borough employees. B. DeCaro said that the Board of Health is Autonomous and hires their own employees. The Borough Attorney also said the Board did not have the right to hire employees. B. DeCaro was in touch with A. Musella and she sent a copy of the ordinance that says that the BOH does have the power to hire its own employees and the governing body may not appoint them. B. DeCaro will schedule a meeting with J. DeJoseph tomorrow in reference to this.

The administration wants to see the end of the Child Health Clinics affiliation with other towns and only have the clinic for Hillsdale residents. It was brought up that if we are still paying Dr. Fenkart maybe they should include half of the towns that we used to so that we can have some income to pay for the Doctor.

**Public Meeting was closed at 8:25 p.m.**

**Prior Business:**

1. Ordinance was adopted to raise food license fees and fees for certified copies.
2. **Concussion Training.** C. Fanelli there is a program at the Kraft Center for base line testing for concussion. The cost is \$25.00 per child. K. Saul said she has been getting very good feedback on this program. She asked if there could be any funding for anyone who cannot afford the cost. L. Kohan said possibly Hillsdale Helping Hillsdale could help or even the sports associations themselves.

**New Business:**

1. **NWBRHC** Contract for 2014 is now on hold until A. Musella can give new costs.
2. **Flu Clinic:** is Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> at Borough Hall
3. **Rabies Clinic:** Date to be announced
4. **Public Health Nurse:** On hold until B. DeCaro's meeting with J. DeJoseph
5. **Dog and Cat License Fees:** Ordinance will be read at Mayor and Council Meeting, Sept. 10, 2013.
6. **B. Martine's resignation** was announced. L. Kohan was also to have resigned but she said at this time she was not going to.

K. Saul said she had attended a Conference called "Food for Thought" which was given by Nick Hall, PHD. He is from the University of Florida. His special study is on "How Nutrients are relative to the Brain" and spoke on the effects of different dyes in foods to kids with ADHD. She is going to get more information for the Board.

**No Vouchers at this time:**

**Motion to adjourn:** C. Fanelli

**Second:** S. Kushner

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

**Next Board Meeting: October 8, 2013**

