

# Hillsdale Board of Health

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Agenda for Regular Meeting  
Hillsdale Board of Health  
Tuesday June 15, 2021

## **President Opens Meeting**

This is a regular meeting of the Hillsdale Board of Health. By resolution adopted on January 6, 2021, 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 Meyerson, LSW; Diane Ohme; Louisa Toledo; Chris Looes; Angela Musella, NWB; Lois Kohan, RN; Marguerite Deppert, RN

## **Absent**

Dr. Susan Kushner; John Klein; Beatriz Wawra; Janetta Trochimiuk, Councilwoman

## **Call for Additional Agenda Items: None**

**Approval of Minutes:** Regular Meeting May 4, 2021  
Special Meeting May 26, 2021

## **Motion to receipt and file:**

Meeting of 5/4/21 **Motion:** Chris Looes **Seconded by:** Diane Ohme Passed Unanimously  
Meeting of 5/26/21 **Motion:** Chris Looes **Seconded by:** Louisa Toledo Passed Unanimously

**President's Message / Report:** Elaine thanked the board for all their work over the last 6 months during COVID. She wished all a very nice summer and hope for more BOH activity when we return in September.

## **Correspondence: None**

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

Angela Musella filling in for Gina Behre. Reviewed report for May 2021 COVID related:

- Continued planning of Covid-19 Vaccination Clinics. A walk in and drive-up clinic is scheduled on June 9, 2021 in Waldwick for the communities we serve. Covid-19 Vaccines for the homebound are in progress.
- Conducted Pre- Operational inspections and guidance for Hillsdale pool
- Provided updated DOH guidance to Hillsdale regarding removal of indoor and outdoor mask, social distancing restrictions and guidance for businesses EO 243- rescinding telework arrangements and EO 192.

- Starting inspections again, Department behind on inspections they are annual and we are getting caught up.
- 1 Temporary Food License.
- 1 complaint for Walgreens about no masking.
- Kettle Corn food vendor - Darlene spoke with and gave information.
- Only a handful showed up for vaccinations on 6/9, we have identified undocumented persons fear of getting the vaccination as a factor.

M. Deppert gave her report for May 2021

- May CHC canceled. Expect to have a one in June.
- 11 cases of Covid-19 reported. 70 in April to 11 in May is a huge accomplishment.
- 2 cases of Lyme disease and 1 case of Campylobacteriosis.
- 1 office visit for PPD on 5/19/21.
- Bi-weekly meeting with communicable disease case investigators in Bergen County. Hosted by NJDOH northeast regional epidemiologist on 5/13 and 5/27.
- Covid-19 conference call with NJDOH Office of Public Health every Tuesday and every other Thursday.
- Bergen County vaccinator meeting on 5/6. Discussed efforts to vaccinate (hard to reach vulnerable, homebound and undocumented populations)
- Immunization records audited at Ann Blanche Smith School on 5/27/21.
- Attended monthly Access for All meeting on 5/21/21.
- Access for All art show reception was held on 5/25/21. 18 Pieces were submitted and displayed outside of the train station. This project drew a lot attention to the committee's work.
- 2nd Dose Moderna Covid-19 vaccination clinic was held on 5/26/21 in Emerson.
- Possible clinic week of 6/21 maybe 3-5 kids and also looking back into records to follow up with patients that may need a second shot for HPV etc. No requests from any towns.

Lois Kohan gave her report for May 2021

- 4 weeks of exercise classes at Hillsdale House. Very well attended. Attendees are craving human interaction.
- Attended a webinar on 5/4/21.
- 4 days spent doing phone calls and outdoor visits. Several home visits were made each day. Porch visits and phone calls, willing to go into homes if they are vaccinated. Lois still wears a mask.
- Met with Intern to plan the Music Therapy Program for Hillsdale House residents on 5/13/21.
- The community room has been offered by the board of trustees as an indoor space to use in case of rain/heat etc. for 20 people. Covid-19 guidelines will be followed
- Statistics and Financial Reports for May 2021 reported by Wendi
- (SEE REPORT)

**Motion to receipt and file:** Chris Looes      **Seconded by:** Louisa Toledo      **Passed Unanimously**

**Opening and closing of Public Meeting:** No callers / attendees

## Prior Business

1. Adoption of BOH Ordinance # 21-03  
**Motion to receipt and file:** Diane Ohme    **Seconded by:** Chris Looes  
**Yes Votes:** Chris Looes, Elaine Meyerson, Diane Ohme, Louisa Toledo  
**Absent:** John Klein; Dr. Susan Kushner; Beatriz Wawra  
**Ordinance Passed.**
2. Municipal Alliance – Chris Looes reported that she attended quarterly meeting with the county. Tim Shoemaker was a guest speaker and reported that putting items out on blast on twitter/ FB etc. gets hundreds of likes yet after 28 days he only got one like. He’s suggesting that things are being blocked through social media are not reaching intended audience. May want to go back to mail. Discussed Marijuana and the dispensaries. Marguerite informed Chris Looes that she has been appointed as the liaison to the Municipal Alliance by the Mayor. Chris Looes will work with Marguerite to bring her up to speed on all that needs to be done.
3. COVID-19 Update- Working on a list of homebound persons from town to get them vaccinated. Marguerite has been reaching out to the town clerk, police, fire department for a homebound list and no one has a complete list. NWB is reaching out and working on a homebound list. County is helping to facilitate use of vaccines for storage, waiting on county to decide what restrictions will be in place.
4. Budget 2021- Council adopted the 2021budget.

## New Business

Board of Health sent a letter to the Mayor and Council in support of the ban of the operation of any class of cannabis business, resolution No. 21-08. Will be distributed to at the 6/14/21 M&C meeting.

**Other Business:** None

**Motion to adjourn:** Chris Looes  
unanimously.

**Seconded by:** Louisa Toledo Passed

**Meeting adjourned** 7:56 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Wendi Seelin  
Board Secretary

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**Next Meeting: Thursday, September 9, 2021 7 PM (in person)**