BOROUGH OF ORADELL BOARD OF HEALTH

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Oradell Board of Health March 9, 2020

The March 9, 2020 meeting of the Oradell Board of Health ("OBOH") was called to order by Mrs. Catherine Schmidt, Chairperson, at 8:00 pm.

- **PRESENT:** Ms. Mary Battaglia, Dr. Kathleen Diciedue, Mrs. Janet Schneider, Mrs. Catherine Schmidt, Dr. Craig Froonjian, and Mrs. Miriam Yu (Council Liaison).
- ABSENT: Mrs. Nicole Alvarez, Mrs. Anna Djurdjinovic, Mrs. Donna Viscardi, Mrs. Karen DePol, and Ms. Michele Dillon (County Sanitarian).

Members welcomed Craig Froonjian, DMD as the OBOH's new 2nd Alternate. Mrs. Viscardi is no longer an Alternate, instead joining as a regular member replacing Armando Fernandez, DDS.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Oradell Board of Health, held on February 10, 2020, was made by Ms. Battaglia, and seconded by Dr. Diciedue. Vote: all in favor; none opposed.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

Mrs. Schmidt reported on members' receipt of the following written communications:

- Oradell Health Report from Sarah Jacob, February, 2020
- Minutes for the February 10 meeting of the OBOH
- Letter from Suez regarding lead levels
- Application for membership in the NJ Local Boards of Health Association
- Various COVID-19 educational material from the NJDOH
- Health Consult Program, February 2020 (2 reportable cases: Hepatitis A & Influenza.)
- Immunization Audit Report for St. Joseph's Elementary School
- Monthly log from Sanitarian Michele Dillon
- Report of reclaimed & adopted animals for January 2020

VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS

Mrs. Schmidt summarized the OEM Task Force held this morning, which she, Mrs. Yu and Ms. Jacob attended:

- Mrs. Schmidt brought Adam Jarrett, MD, CMO of Holy Name Medical Center to serve as medical expert to the group.
- The CDC Microsite that is continually updated will be posted to the Oradell website.
- Chief Wicker reported that the police are already receiving scam calls daily.
- Members discussed re how the Borough might operate remotely; operations will be limited to essential functions. Hand-washing stations have been installed throughout Borough Hall, and thorough cleaning of hard surfaces is on-going.
- The high schools can operate remotely, as all students have laptops. This is not the case with the elementary schools. (The Middle school was not discussed.) Patrick Fletcher stated closure would not occur unless instructed by the state or county DOH.
- First responders have initiated new protocols designed to protect the patient and the responders.
- Mrs. Schmidt forwarded to Mrs. Lyons two YouTube videos made by Holy Name Medical Center, the first demonstrating the correct method for donning and doffing PPE, and the second a comprehensive livestream Q&A on SARS-CoV2 recorded 3 days ago.
- Dr. Jarrett led the discussion on SARS-CoV2 (COVID-19) facts:
 - The virus is accompanied by fever; a fever of 100.4 is the current guideline.
 - The lower lobes of the lungs have posed the higher threat (vs. upper respiratory involvement).
 - The development of a successful vaccine this year is highly unlikely.
 - Children can easily be asymptomatic vectors (carriers)
 - Run time = 2 weeks; self-isolate for 2 weeks if symptoms; contact your provider.
 - The pandemic may well last for many months.
 - Gatherings should be canceled, e.g., the Mayor's Wellness challenge and Seniors events

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT

Mrs. Yu noted that the main topic of the Council is the virus. She also noted the new flashing light off of Kinderkamack Road by the Mini-Mart, and the two by the Middle School.

HEALTH REPORT:

Inspection Status Summary as of February 29, 2020

Status	Establishment	Comment
Satisfactory	Care One Oradell	
Satisfactory	Esti Café	Change in ownership; numerous storage areas; "complex" follow-up per Construction official.
Conditional	Red Apple Cuisine	Temperature violations, sanitizing issues, and general cleaning problems. (Has since been corrected and returned to "Satisfactory.")

Ms. Dillon reported on the following:

- On Merritt Drive there was a dog bite investigation; the dog was confined.
- Ms. Dillon received complaints of both littering and smoking in front of the Athena Salon.
- A follow-up to ensure that the manager of Ocean Sushi completed his Food Manager Certification was done.

PUBLICITY

No Report.

CODE & ORDINANCE

No Report.

NURSING / MEDICAL REPORT

Dr. Diciedue reported on the following:

- The February Health Consult Program noted two reportable diseases: Hepatitis A & Influenza.
- The Immunization Audit Report for St. Joseph's Elementary School showed three deficiencies initially, but no deficiencies upon re-audit following corrective action.

FINANCE REPORT

Mrs. Schmidt reported on revenue and expenses as of February 29, 2020:

- Expenses (NJ State Dog Licensing Report) totaled \$142.80.
- Revenue totaled \$362.00, provided by Transcripts (\$40.00), Business Licenses (\$1,225.00), Dog/Cat Licenses (\$1,260.00) and Marriage licenses (\$6.00).

OLD BUSINESS

Follow up to the proposed Community Nurse program:

 No data have been received from the Oradell Outreach Committee for analysis of the proposed Community Nurse program.

Lead levels

- SUEZ sent a letter to Oradell residents, dated February 8. Noted were required maximum lead levels of less than 15 parts/billion (lead action threshold level) in at least 90% of sites sampled. The letter stated this minimum level was exceeded in Oradell.
- SUEZ is not responsible for the piping from the curb to the residence, but is responsible for the pipes from the curb coating water main-to-curb pipes to block corrosion
- SUEZ is also removing lead pipes & replacing them in Bergen & Hudson.
- Houses built before 1988 are more likely to have lead pipes
- Fixtures installed before 2014 labelled "lead free" are <u>not</u>; replace them.
- Homeowners what to do:
 - Test water for lead (Ace Palmer has test kits)
 - Run cold water for 30 seconds before using; longer if a big house or big front yard (i.e., longer pipes).
 - Note that boiling has no effect on lead
 - Do not ingest warm/hot water from your faucets: corrosion/lead levels are higher in warm water pipes.
 - Attach a lead filter; use bottled water.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Since there was no further business to be discussed, Ms. Battaglia moved that the February 10, 2020 meeting of the Oradell Board of Health be adjourned at 8:34 pm; Dr. Diciedue seconded the motion. Voting: all in favor, none opposed. The next meeting will be on April 13, 2020, at 8:00 pm. Mrs. Schmidt noted that she will be out of state for work and will not attend the meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Catherine Yaxley-Schmidt Chair, Oradell Board of Health