

Park Ridge Board of Health
Municipal Building
Park Ridge, NJ 07656
June 20, 2013 7:30PM

The regular meeting of the Board of Health was called to order by the Dr. Valas, President at the above time, date and place.

The Compliance Statement as required by the Open Public Meetings Act, P. L. 1975, Chapter 231 was read by the President.

PRESENT

Dr. Valas, Dr. Miller, Mrs. Bertini, Mrs. Scheulen and Dr. Lincoln
Excused: Mr. Spies, Mrs. Deppert

ALSO PRESENT

Mr. Hopper, Council Liaison
Excused: Mrs. Quinn, Principal Registered Health Specialist

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment was read. There were no members of the public present; therefore, the public comment was not opened.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Lincoln made a motion to approve the minutes for the May 16, 2013 meeting. Mrs. Bertini seconded the motion. Members of the Board approved the motion.

APPROVAL OF INVOICES

Postage	27.87
Badges	287.85
Statute Updates	96.00
Tyco Animal Control Services-May 2013	825.00
Child Health Clinic-May 2013	60.00

REPORTS

Mrs. Quinn, Principal Registered Health Specialist submitted her May 2103 report.

Mr. Hahn, Water & Sewer Supervisor submitted the following reports for review. Reports have been submitted electronically to the NJDEP and are available on NJ Water Watch.

May 27	2 nd Quarter 2013 Arsenic Report
May 27	May 2013 Coliform Report
May 27	2 nd Quarter 2013 Nitrate (N) report
May 27	2 nd Quarter 2013 THM Report
May 27	2 nd Quarter 2103 HAA5 Report
May 27	2 nd Quarter 2013 Sodium Report
May 30	2 nd Quarter 2013 VOC Report
June 20	June 2013 Coliform Report

June 13 Board Secretary submitted the Fees and Expenses Report for the period of January 1, 2103 to May 31, 2013 to the Board for review for 2013 Licensing: Food Establishment, Child Care Centers w/o Food Services, Pools & Pool Concessions, Animal Licensing, Registrar and 2013 Shared Services Agreement – Semi Annual Invoice.

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CORRESPONDENCE

- Spring NJ Local Boards of Health Association Newsletter, Vol. 19, No. 1.
- May 17 Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, Vol. 62, No. 19.
May 24 Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, Vol. 62, No. 20.
- May 29 Request for payment from Mrs. Barbara Martine, RN, Public Health, Hillsdale Board of Health for two children of Park Ridge who attended the Child Health Clinic in Hillsdale.
- May 31 Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, Vol. 62, No. 21.
- June Packet of information on Lyme Disease from Department of Health Services, Bergen County.
- June Packet of information on water and sun safety from the Department of Health, Bergen County.
- June 7 Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, Vol. 62, No. 22.
- June 12 2012 Right to Know Survey Updates from Mr. Robert Wright, Business Administrator, Board Secretary, Park Ridge Board of Education to the Health Department.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Health Education Services – Mrs. Bertini and Mrs. Scheulen
Stanford University – Chronic Disease Self-Management Program

Mrs. Bertini advised that she has been in contact with Bergen County and they reported that the program is doing very well and the participants are very enthusiastic with the presentation.

NEW BUSINESS

Comprehensive Tobacco Control Program in FY 2014

Dr. Valas mentioned that the concern of smoking is a huge issue within the state. A resolution has been prepared for review and approval. The resolution from the Board of Health will be urging the State of New Jersey to adequately fund its comprehensive tobacco control program in the Fiscal Year 2104 and subsequent years. The approved resolution with a cover letter will then be forwarded to State Legislators: Governor Chris Christie, Assemblywoman Holly Schepisi, Assemblywoman Sheila Y. Oliver, Senator Stephen M. Sweeney and NJ Department of Health Commissioner Mary E. O'Dowd, M.P.H.

Mrs. Bertini made a motion to approve the resolution. Mrs. Scheulen seconded the motion. Members of the Board approved the motion.

RESOLUTION

Resolution of the Borough of Park Ridge Board of Health urging the State of New Jersey to adequately fund its comprehensive tobacco control program in FY 2014 and subsequent years.

Resolution No. R2013-4

WHEREAS, Lung cancer is the number one cancer killer with the vast majority of cases caused by smoking, and smoking also causes cancer of the oropharynx, larynx, esophagus, pancreas, bladder and kidney, and;

WHEREAS, Tobacco use costs New Jersey residents an estimated \$3.17 billion in health care costs, including \$967 million in Medicaid expenditures by state and local governments,¹ and;

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WHEREAS, Nearly 9,700 New Jersey children will become regularly daily smokers,² and;

WHEREAS, It is estimated that in 2011, 4,492 New Jersey residents died from cancers that result from smoking, representing 27% of the total number of cancer deaths in New Jersey,³ and;

WHEREAS, The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends that New Jersey spend between \$72.1 million and \$154.3 million every year on its comprehensive tobacco control program, with a median recommendation of \$119.8 million,⁴ and;

WHEREAS, New Jersey has raised over \$5 billion in tobacco revenues over the past five years, yet state spending on Tobacco Control Programs has plummeted to ZERO allocated state dollars in FY2013, ranking the state 50th in the nation for funding its Tobacco Control Program,⁵ and;

WHEREAS, the primary purpose of the 1998 Master Settlement Agreement was to provide states with funding to remedy the public health problems and increased health costs posed by tobacco use; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough of Park Ridge Board of Health of the Borough of Park Ridge, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Borough of Park Ridge Board of Health urges the State of New Jersey to fund its comprehensive tobacco control program in FY2014 and subsequent years in the amount of \$119.8 million as recommended by the U. S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).
2. The Park Ridge Board of Health Secretary is directed to forward copies of the resolution to the office of the Governor of the State of New Jersey, the State Legislators representing Park Ridge, the Speaker of the New Jersey General Assembly, the President of the New Jersey State Senate and the Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Health.

Offered By: Mrs. Bertini
Seconded By: Mrs. Scheulen
Adopted: June 20, 2013

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Dr. Joan Valas, President

NOTES

¹ U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Best Practices for Comprehensive Tobacco Control Programs – 2007, October 2007, p.89 (NJ)

See:

² Centers for Disease Control, Sustaining State Programs for Tobacco Control, Data Highlights 2006.

³ American Cancer Society, Estimated Number of Cancer Cases and Deaths by State, 2001 Updated.

⁴ Center for Disease Control and Prevention, Best Practices for Comprehensive Tobacco Control Programs-2007, Atlanta.

US Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Office on Smoking and Health; October 2007, p.54.

⁵ Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids, et al., A Decade of Broken Promises: The 1998 State Tobacco Settlement Fourteen Years Later, 2012,

PUBLIC COMMENT

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ADJOURNMENT

At 7:50PM Dr. Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Bertini seconded the motion. Members of the Board approved the motion.


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Carole Reen, Secretary