

Park Ridge, NJ
May 18, 2006
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The regular meeting of the Board of Health was called to order by the 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: Ms. Deppert, Ms. Bertini, Ms. Roy, Ms. Scheulen,
Mr. Meyer, Ms. Viscovic.

ABSENT: Dr. Licciardone, Dr. Valas, Dr. Miller

ALSO PRESENT: Ms. Linda Quinn, Environmental Health Specialist
Bergen County Department of Health Services

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: Ms. Roy motioned that the minutes of the April 20, 2006 meeting be accepted. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bertini. Unanimously approved.

ACCEPTANCE OF INVOICES:

- Postage – March 2006 \$ 34.86
- NALBOH – Renewal Membership Dues for 2006 \$ 95.00
- Tyco Animal Control – Contract Pymt – February 2006 \$700.00
- Pascack Community Services – Jan thru April, 2006 \$380.00
- Pascack Comm Svcs-Child Health Clinic-2/06-1 child \$ 27.00

REPORT – ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST

- HOUSING TASK FORCE – Ms. Quinn reported that the houses being inspected are much improved since the Task Force began.
- A&P- The A&P Dairy Department and Seafood Department were issued summonses for out-of-date products on the shelves and for other violations. A \$600. fine was imposed by the Court.
- LePETITE GATEAU – The bakery was given a conditional rating for numerous violations.
- PARK RIDGE DINER – Ms. Quinn informed the Board that a “Gold Star Program” was initiated for food establishments that go “above and beyond” to ensure good service and cleanliness for its customers. The Park Ridge Diner was nominated for the award by County Executive Dennis McNerney.
- TOWN SCOOP – Ms. Roy stated that in her opinion the establishment is not as clean as it should be. Ms. Quinn said that she will speak to the owner. She stated that when she took samples, there was a high bacteria count in the machines that dispense the soft ice cream. She informed the Board that machines that dispense soft ice cream have to be inspected very often. They should be sanitized every night.
- PARK RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL – An “Indoor Air Quality” investigation was conducted by Ms. Melissa Johnson, Industrial Hygienist, Bergen County Occupational Health Department, because of the complaints from faculty and students experiencing dizziness, nausea and headaches from certain classrooms. “An Indoor Air/Surface Quality Survey Report” was also prepared by RAMM Environmental Services, Inc. Certain recommendations were made, but there didn’t seem to be anything alarming to be concerned about.

- PARK RIDGE POLICE DEPARTMENT – A complaint was received that there was a strong mildew odor coming from the area near the front reception desk. The Bergen County Occupational Health Department sent someone to investigate the situation. It was determined that there was leakage from the copier that was causing the odor.
- OUR LADY OF MERCY SCHOOL – A complaint was received from the parent of a third-grade student. She was concerned because she had received three letters since November regarding a lice problem in her child's class. Public Health Nurse Marilyn Bernstein from the Bergen County Department of Health Services was in touch with Ms. McCabe, the school nurse at OLM, and with the parent. She reported that since November there were 11 cases of lice from the same 5 families. There is a "No Nit Policy" at the school. Ms. McCabe is checking the children in the class and sending a letter home, along with information from the county, to all parents.

BOARD OF HEALTH FEES – The members agreed that they would review the schedule of fees charged by the Board of Health. Ms. Quinn stated that the State inspects dry cleaning establishments, and that there was no reason for the Board to charge them a licensing fee any longer. She also stated that she would call the nursery/pre-schools in Park Ridge to find out if any of them prepares and serves food, to determine whether or not they should be licensed and inspected.

TOWN PICNIC

It was noted that the town picnic would be held on Saturday, June 10.

CORRESPONDENCE

- NALBOH – NEWSBRIEF – 1ST QTR 2006
- PARK RIDGE UTILITIES – MONTHLY COLIFORM REPORT – APRIL 2006

As there was no more business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Bertini. The motion was seconded by Mr. Meyer.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,