

Park Ridge, NJ  
April 20, 2006  
8 PM

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, Dr. Licciardone, Ms. Bertini, Ms. Scheulen,  
Ms. Roy, Ms. Viscovic, Mr. Meyer

ABSENT: Dr. Miller

EXCUSED ABSENCE: Ms. Valas

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

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: Dr. Licciardone motioned that the minutes of the March 16, 2006 meeting be accepted. The motion was seconded by Ms. Deppert. Unanimously approved.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES – CLOSED SESSION:  
Dr. Licciardone motioned that the minutes of the March 16, 2006 closed session be accepted. The motion was seconded by Ms. Deppert. Unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF INVOICES:

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| • Postage – March 2006   | \$ 34.86 |
| • NALBOH – Renewal of Membership Dues/2006                                 | \$ 95.00 |
| • Tyco Animal Control – Contract Pymt – February 2006                      | \$700.00 |
| • Pascack Community Services – Jan thru April, 2006                        | \$380.00 |
| • Pascack Community Services – Child Health Clinic –<br>Feb 2006 – 1 child | \$ 27.00 |

REPORT – ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST – March 2006

- Eckerd Drugs - Ms. Quinn reported that she found 14 out-of-date over the counter medications on the shelves at the store.
- A&P – The Seafood Department has had numerous and repeat violations. The Dairy Department had out-of-date items on the shelves. Ms. Quinn issued two summonses to the Seafood Department and reviewed past inspection reports. She issued a summons to the Dairy Department for out-of-date dairy.
- FOOD HANDLING COURSE – Ms. Quinn informed the Board that she visited and consulted with many of the food establishments regarding food-handling courses. Many employees need to update and take the course. She stated that when the establishments are open, at least one person should be working who has taken the course. She also suggested to the Board that an owner or manager of these establishments should take a food-handler manager's course. He or she should know everything regarding food preparation to manage the kitchen well.

Ms. Bertini asked Ms. Quinn to bring information regarding the food-handler manager's course to the next meeting.

- CHILDREN'S DISCOVERY CENTER – Ms. Quinn reported that upon re-inspection, everything is satisfactory. The floor has been replaced and the facility was going to be re-painted.

- TOBACCO STING – Surveillance was done in 8 establishments with satisfactory results.
- 71 LAWN STREET - The Police Department reported that the resident at this address calls for assistance on a periodic basis, even if family members are at home, and that her living conditions are deplorable. Ms. Quinn suggested that they contact the Borough Attorney regarding the constant use of Borough services. She also informed them that residents have the right to live in “filth”, as long as the conditions don’t encroach onto anyone else’s property.
- LICENSING FEES – Ms. Quinn suggested that the Board review its licensing fees, and possibly make some revisions. Ms. Quinn stated that she is not certified to inspect dry cleaning establishments, but that they are required to pay a fee. The Board Secretary was asked to bring a copy of the ordinance with licensing fees to the next meeting. Ms. Quinn was asked to call Environmental with regard to the disposal of dry cleaning waste.
- PARK RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL – A complaint was received regarding the school. It seems that there was an odor in one of the hallways and that some of the students in a certain classroom were feeling light-headed. Ms. Quinn visited and inspected with Melissa Johnson, Industrial Environmentalist, Bergen County Department of Health Services. The air quality in two classrooms, the hallway and the outdoors was monitored. Ms. Johnson suggested that the temperature be reduced and the windows be opened to allow more fresh air into the classrooms, because when the windows are closed and the temperature is high, it raises the carbon dioxide levels.
- SMOKE-FREE ACT – Ms. Quinn stated that a meeting with the County officials was scheduled to determine the enforcement of the act, and that she would report at the next meeting. Ms. Deppert stated that Council Liaison, Ron Cangialosi, would like the Park Ridge Police Department and the Board of Health to be involved in enforcement. Ms. Quinn stated that any complaints to the Board of Health have to be in writing and can be anonymous. Ms. Deppert said that she would contact Chief Oppenheimer and ask what he plans to do.

Mr. Meyer stated that the Wayne Board of Health sent a letter and signs to the food establishments regarding the Act. Ms. Quinn said that she would obtain signs from GASP and deliver them in Park Ridge. Ms. Deppert suggested that a letter be sent to all Park Ridge establishments stating that the Board supports the enforcement of the law.

Ms. Deppert inquired as to whether or not restaurant outdoor dining is a Board of Health issue. Ms. Quinn said that it is a Building Department concern unless the door to the inside restaurant is constantly open, or if any cooking is done outside.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT COMMITTEE - Ms. Bertini, Ms. Scheulen, Ms. Deppert and Mr. Meyer formed a committee to learn more about health services. The committee would review the Governances and review the NJ Department of Health and Senior Services “Local Health Evaluation Report”. The committee agreed to meet on April 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM.

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES – Ms. Roy spoke to Park Ridge Police Lt. Craig Coughlin regarding the services provided by the Pascack Mental Health Center. He said that their services were excellent.

Ms. Scheulen pointed out that Northwest Regional Mental Health Services provides more than counseling. They also deal with autism, aspergers, anxiety, bi-polar, depression and ADHD. There are also 3 child psychiatrists on staff.

CORRESPONDENCE

- NJLBOH Newsletter
- Borough of Westwood correspondence
- New Jersey Gasp re: NJ Smoke-Free Air Act
- Park Ridge Utilities – 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr 2006 VO Reports
- Park Ridge Utilities – 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr 2006 Disinfection Residuals Report
- Park Ridge Utilities – 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr 2006 Radiological Results
- Park Ridge Utilities – March 2006 Coliform Report
- Park Ridge Utilities – 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr THM Report for 2006
- Park Ridge Utilities – 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr HAA5 Report for 2006
- Park Ridge Utilities – Annual Nitrates Report for 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 10:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,





























