

Park Ridge, NJ  
May 15, 2008  
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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 Secretary.

PRESENT: Ms. Bertini, Dr. Miller, Ms. Roy, Ms. Deppert,  
Ms. Scheulen, Dr. Lincoln

ABSENT: Dr. Valas, Mr. Meyer, Ms. Viscovic

ALSO PRESENT: Ms. Linda Quinn, Principal Environmental Health Specialist,  
Bergen County Department of Health Services  
Ms. Phyllis Schleifer, Park Ridge resident  
Ms. Jean Viglone, Park Ridge resident

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: Ms. Roy motioned that the minutes of the April 17, 2008 meeting be accepted. The motion was seconded by Ms. Scheulen. Unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF INVOICES – There was no bill list available at the time of the meeting.

CORRECTION TO 4/17/2008 MINUTES – Dr. Miller informed the Board that in the 4/17 minutes, it was reported that the siren on Ridge Avenue is not sounded after 7PM. She stated that it does go off after 7PM. It does not sound between the hours of 10PM and 6AM.

REPORT – ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST – APRIL 2008

- ITSY'S GOURMET – Ms. Quinn stated that the business was closed, and that all of the food had been removed. She was told that there was someone interested in taking over the establishment.
- CAFÉ 99 – Ms. Quinn informed the Board members that the name of the business that will be going into the space that was formerly Café 99 will be Java's Brewin'.
- EL AZTECA – The Skylite Deli has been taken over by new owners and the name of the deli is now EL AZTECA.
- 246 PARK AVENUE – There was a complaint by neighbors that the pool at this address was in serious neglect. There was stagnant water in the pool, and the owner was told to empty it. In the process of it being emptied, a pipe was broken and the water was going onto a neighbor's property. Ms. Quinn advised the owner of the situation.
- HOUSING OFFICER – Matt Kent was hired as the new housing officer in Park Ridge, and will be doing the housing inspections in the future.
- DOG BITE – The German Shepard in the residence at 90-Lawn Street bit a resident at 71-Lawn Street. The dog owner said that they have an invisible fence for the dog, but that it had gotten out. Ms. Quinn told the victim to call the police whenever the dog is off the property, so that there's a history of the dog being at large.
- A&P – The deli and the kitchen were very much improved. Ms. Quinn did speak to the manager of the store regarding complaints that she received about soured milk purchased at the store. The manager stated that the dates on the products are sell-by dates, and that the products should be good for 5 days after opening.

- LUCIA'S GARAGE, PARK AVENUE - What was formerly the garage has been renovated, and will be opening as a nail salon. There will also be 3 apartments on the second floor and a low-income apartment on the bottom floor along with the nail salon. Ms. Deppert asked if the apartments will have separate ventilation systems from the nail salon.
- TANNING SALONS – Ms. Quinn informed the Board members that the State now regulates tanning salons. No one under 14 years old is permitted to utilize a tanning salon. Any one between the ages of 14 and 18 has to have a parent's permission.
- ARTIFICIAL TURF - Ms. Quinn said that according to the State, there is no ongoing sampling for lead in the turf being done. In their testing of the turf on fields in different locations, only two had to be closed. According to the State, there are no concerns regarding the Park Ridge field at the present time. There are shredded tires in the consistency of the turf, which potentially have hydrocarbons. The issue has now been transferred to the Federal Consumer Products Safety Commission.

The Board asked Ms. Quinn to speak to someone from Environmental to inquire about the lead and the hydrocarbons in the turf. They would like to know more about the possible break-down in the future, if it can be monitored, and if it might run off into the water supply. They would also like to know more about the makeup of the turf from the vendor.

NOISE COMPLAINT/SIREN – As per Park Ridge Fire Chief Thomas Derienzo, the siren in front of the home at 77-Broadway will no longer sound daily at noon. It also will not sound between the hours of 10PM and 6AM. Ms. Viglone, the resident at this address, was informed.

PARK RIDGE TOWN PICNIC – The Board asked Ms. Quinn if someone from the Bergen County Department of Health Services would be able to sit at the Board of Health table at the picnic on June 14.

PARK RIDGE GOLDEN AGE CLUB - Ms. Bertini reported that she, along with Mr. Ned Barber of the PKRG-TV Station, attended a Golden Age Club meeting. They took photos at the Blood Pressure Clinic, which is conducted on the second Tuesday of every month by Bergen Care Home Health. These photos will be displayed at the Board of Health table at the town picnic. Ms. Bertini stated that she was very impressed with the nurse conducting the clinic and the services that were provided to the senior citizens.

BOROUGH NEWSLETTER - The Board Secretary informed the members that any information that they would like to have printed in the August 2008 newsletter would have to be submitted by the middle of July. Information regarding the Rabies Clinic, the Flu Clinic, the beginning of school, Halloween safety, etc. was suggested by the members.

DOG AND CAT LICENSING – Ms. Bertini informed the Board that the company hired by Park Ridge to review the general codes will be analyzing them and making recommendations regarding revisions. She asked the Board members to review Chapter 52-Dogs, Cats and Other Animals, familiarize themselves with it, and come up with ideas and suggestions. The Board members questioned the fact that currently the code states that an annual census of pets should be done by the police in Park Ridge, which isn't being addressed. Ms. Quinn stated that in some municipalities the crossing guards do a census during the summer months. She also informed the Board that in other municipalities a postcard mailing is done to do a census. Ms. Bertini asked if Ms. Quinn could get a sample of the postcard to bring to the next meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Park Ridge Utilities – Coliform Report – April 2008
- NALBOH'S 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference – 7/22-24, 2008 – Madison Wisconsin
- IMMUNIZATION AUDIT REPORTS – Pascack Co-Op Nursery School  
Montessori Learning Center

As there was no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Deppert. The motion was seconded by Ms. Scheulen.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30PM.

Respectfully submitted,