

**TOWNSHIP OF RARITAN
BOARD OF HEALTH
MINUTES
JULY 16, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Frank Nagy at 7:30 p.m.

MEETING NOTICED

The meeting was noticed January 23, 2020 to the Courier News, Hunterdon County Democrat, Star Ledger, Express Times, TapInto and posted on the municipal bulletin board and Township website.

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: Thomas Camporeale; Venkata Lanka; Patrick Morlando (via remote access at 7:32 p.m.); Thomas Smith; Chairman, Frank Nagy; Board Secretary, Lisa Fania; Hunterdon County Department of Health, Carla Hobbs; Township Committee Liaison, Scott MacDade

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Kurt Hoffman, PE

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

There was no public comment.

MINUTES

Chairman Nagy asked for a motion to approve the June 18, 2020 meeting minutes.
Motion by Camporeale, seconded by Smith

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Camporeale, Lanka, Smith, Chairman Nagy
NAYES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Morlando

Board Member, Pat Morlando joined the meeting remotely at this time (7:32 p.m.)

NEW BUSINESS

a. BLOCK 15, LOT 50 (5 BROAD VIEW PLACE) – SEPTIC SYSTEM WAIVER REQUEST

Kurt Hoffman, PE, presented the waiver request.

Motion was made by Camporeale, seconded by Lanka to approve the following requested waivers:

The proposed disposal bed at 43 feet to the existing catch basin next to the roadway which does not meet the minimum 50-foot setback requirement by code. Per N.J.A.C. 7:9A-3.3, the distance may be reduced by the administrative authority.

Toe of the slope at 8 feet to the property line, which does not meet the 10-foot requirement by code. Engineer shall inspect the final grading and provide certification that the grading does not adversely impact offsite conditions.

This is based on a letter from Dawn Faltings of the Hunterdon County Department of Health dated June 25, 2020.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Camporeale, Lanka, Morlando, Smith, Chairman Nagy

NAYES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

b. Discussion of changing meeting time – a brief discussion was held about the possibility of changing the meeting time. It was the consensus of the Board to leave as is.

LIAISONS

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

NJ Department of Health – NJ Animal Rabies Cases: January 1 – June 30, 2020 – Board Secretary, Lisa Fania, explained that the report was provided for informational purposes only. No discussion was held.

COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

- *Correspondence
- *Food Inspection Reports
- *Rabies Update

Carla Hobbs, Hunterdon County Department of Health, referred to the state report summarizing rabies cases in the County. Ms. Hobbs suggested advisory notification via social media to Township residents of the importance of rabies vaccinations and to not have contact with stray/wild animals. Ms. Hobbs also reported that the Governor has issued a ninety-day extension for pet shop/kennel and dog licenses; no issues to report regarding food inspections; and that Copper Hill Country Club and HealthQuest Fitness Club's outdoor pools are the only two pools opened at this time. She further explained that due to the extent of COVID requirements, Townhouse communities are not opening pools this season.

OLD BUSINESS

- a. Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Raritan (the "Code") – Title 17: Board of Health Regulations editorial and legal analysis review update – Board Secretary, Lisa Fania, inquired as to the status of review of the Board of Health regulations. Board Members advised of nothing to report. It was the consensus to carry discussion to the August meeting.
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- b. Discussion of granting permission to the Hunterdon County Department of Health to approve waivers regarding high water table conditions for malfunctioning systems with no expansion for replacement for single-family dwellings on existing lots. Chairman Nagy referred to Ms. Fania's June 22, 2020 memo regarding the actual number of waivers for 2018, 2019 and 2020 that were considered by the Board. Ms. Hobbs commented that Kingwood Township is the only municipality that has granted approval authority for water table conditions to the County Department of Health, as a high-water table is prominent in that part of the County. It was the consensus of the Board Members to keep approval with the Board as decided at the previous Board of Health meeting.
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FINANCIALS

Board Members reviewed the June 2020 financials. There were no comments.

COMMENTS

Ms. Fania reported on two complaints regarding business openings surrounding COVID-19, one for a nail salon and the other for Diamond Nation. Ms. Fania explained that she advised both complainants accordingly that 1) the nail salon does not fall under the jurisdiction of the County nor the municipality but such lies with the NJ Department of Consumer Affairs; and 2) that Diamond Nation is in full compliance with COVID guidelines and that there are no out-of-state teams from “hot spots” participating in tournaments only those within the tri-state area. Ms. Fania continued that she also advised that the Police Department can check that guidelines of respective Executive Orders are being followed.

Mr. Morlando inquired as to the status of the re-opening of indoor dining, gyms and schools. Ms. Hobbs advised that karate and dance studios can re-open as long as they are not part of a gym; gyms are only permitted to be open for one-on-one personal training; and she has nothing definite to report regarding the status of the schools.

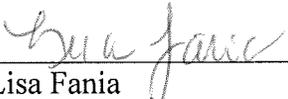
ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Nagy asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Motion by Camporeale, seconded by Lanka to adjourn.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa Fania
Board of Health Secretary