

**TOWNSHIP OF RARITAN
BOARD OF HEALTH
MINUTES
JUNE 18, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Frank Nagy at 6:02 p.m.

MEETING NOTICED

The meeting was noticed June 8, 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; 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: John Kearney, PE

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

There was no public comment.

MINUTES

Chairman Nagy asked for a motion to approve the February 20, 2020 meeting minutes.
Motion by Morlando, seconded by Camporeale

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

MINUTES (CONT.)

Chairman Nagy asked for a motion to approve the May 21, 2020 meeting minutes.

Motion by Camporeale, seconded by Morlando

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Camporeale, Lanka, Morlando, Chairman Nagy

NAYES: None

ABSTAIN: Smith

ABSENT: None

NEW BUSINESS

a. BLOCK 60, LOT 10 (12 CURTIS DRIVE) – SEPTIC SYSTEM WAIVER REQUEST

John Kearney, PE, presented the waiver request.

Motion was made by Morlando, seconded by Smith to approve the following requested waiver:

The proposed disposal bed at 85 feet from the existing well which does not meet the minimum 100-foot setback requirement by code. Per N.J.A.C. 7:9A-4.3, the distance may be reduced by the administrative authority to a minimum of 50 feet provided that there is 50 feet of casing in the well. A letter dated May 21, 2020 from Stover Well and Pump states that the well was inspected and determined to have 60 feet of casing.

This is based on a letter from Robert Vaccarella of the Hunterdon County Department of Health dated June 8, 2020.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

LIAISONS

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

No report

COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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

Carla Hobbs, Hunterdon County Department of Health, reported on septic alterations and repairs; status of rabies throughout the County and the Township; and advised that the Department of Health has resumed inspecting retail food establishments and outdoor pools. Ms. Hobbs also provided an update on the status of efforts by the Department of Health with regards to the COVID-19 pandemic that included the following:

- *Continued fielding of calls for information;
- *Contact tracing;
- *Assisting with testing at the Hunterdon/Somerset joint facility at Raritan Valley Community College; and
- *Distribution of personal protective equipment throughout the County.

During Ms. Hobbs report, Board Members inquired about testing for antibodies; what is a “confirmed case;” age range of deaths caused by COVID-19; and the cause of death among the deceased.

Ms. Hobbs explained that the antibody test is a blood test and a confirmed case is a positive sample result. Ms. Hobbs did not have knowledge of cause of death among the deceased.

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 a future 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. A brief discussion was held regarding relinquishing approval to the Hunterdon County Department of Health regarding waivers for high water table conditions. It was the consensus of the Board to keep approval with the Board and change nothing at this time.
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FINANCIALS

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

COMMENTS

Ms. Fania provided an update on the status of the rabies clinics held during the pandemic advising that a drive-through format was implemented and all were successful. Ms. Fania recommended the same format for next year's clinics. Ms. Fania also recommended holding two clinics, one the first Wednesday in April and a second, the first Wednesday in May instead of four. There were no objections. It was the consensus of the Board to proceed with two drive-through rabies clinics in 2021.

Ms. Fania also asked Board Members their preference regarding review of reports from Animal Control Solutions and correspondence regarding site remediation. It was the consensus that the reports and correspondence be forwarded to Board Members by email only.

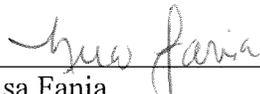
ADJOURNMENT

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

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa Fania
Board of Health Secretary