



MINUTES OF THE JUNE 16, 2021 BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING



Call to Order:

The June 16, 2021 Regular Meeting of the Board of Health was called to order at 6:34 pm by Chairperson Colleen Labow. The meeting was held via video conferencing (Zoom).

Open Public Meetings Act Announcement:

The Board Secretary made the following announcement: "In according to the Open Public Meetings Act and the Emergency Remote Meeting Protocol for Local Public Bodies, adequate and electronic notice of this remote meeting has been given to the Daily Record, posting notice on the Township website and on the outside front door & bulletin board of the Municipal Building, 204 Flanders-Drakestown Road, Mount Olive Township, New Jersey and notices were sent to those requesting the same."

Members of the public will be kept on mute during the meeting. If you would like to speak during the designated public comment portion, press 9 on your telephone or the "raise hand" icon on the Zoom app and wait to be recognized by the host, who will unmute you to speak. When you are done commenting, you will be muted again. There is a 5-minute limit on all public comments.

Roll Call:

Present: Colleen Labow, Dr. Abrams, Dr. Miccio, Mark Kana and Kathleen Olup

Absent: Dr. Wallack, Laura Hawkins

The Chairperson recognized Health Officer, Trevor J. Weigle; Board of Health Secretary, Michele Doucette; Deputy Director/Assistant Health Officer, Derrick Webb; Attorney, Peter King.

Review of the Minutes:

The minutes of the April 21, 2021 Board Meeting were not approved and would be carried over to the next meeting; all members present were in favor.

Written Reports & Correspondence:

The following correspondence was acknowledged:

1. Email to BOH Member from H.O.; re: COVID-19 statistics
2. Email to BOH Members from H.O.; re: Possible rabid pig.

The Health Officer reviewed the Public Health Activities Report for May 2021. The Health Officer also updated the Board of Health on the pandemic with an excel spreadsheet showing the numbers of cases, number of cases still in isolation, and the number of deaths to date.

The Health Officer noted the test came back negative on the pig .

The Health Officer noted the reapplication for the Strengthening of Local Public Health Grant starts 7/1/2021 thru 6/30/2022. The Grant amount of \$291,000.00 includes money for a full time VOPC and full time COVID Generalists.

The Health Officer noted the application for a new grant the COVID Vaccination Supplemental Funding Grant starts 7/1/2021 thru 6/30/2022 and the purpose of the grant is to get everyone vaccinated.

The Health Officer noted most COVID-19 restrictions have been lifted along with the Public Health Emergency. Executive Order 175 is still in place for schools. Some executive orders are still in place for long term care facilities.

The Health Officer noted as of May 13, 2021 Robert Stahlhut will be retired and Susan Downer will be promoted to his position.

Board member Kana asked about the complaint at Shoprite. The Deputy Director noted someone found a piece of plastic in a container of ice cream.

The Public Health Activities Report for April 2021 was approved on a motion by Board member Mark Kana and second by Kathleen Olup; all members present were in favor.

New Business:

Board member Labow asked if Animal Control could except donations to help with the cost of spaying or neutering. The Health Officer noted the administrative cost would out way the benefits. Board member Abrams suggested donations of pet supplies could go to the Mt Olive Food Pantry.

Ordinance on First Reading:

None

Ordinance on Second Reading:

None

Resolution: 2021-12

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR CHILD HEALTH SCREENING SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Township of Mount Olive Board of Health has a need to obtain services of a Medical Director for its clinical services and programs; and

WHEREAS, Mount Olive Township Board of Health provides public health shared services to the following municipalities: Borough of Netcong, Borough of Mount Arlington, Borough of Wharton, Town of Dover, and the Township of Mine Hill; and

WHEREAS, delivery of screening services is contained in the Public Health Shared Services Agreements with the communities Mount Olive Township Board of Health serves; and

WHEREAS, each local health agency is required to provide for comprehensive preventative health care of infants and preschool children and other programs; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Mount Olive Board of Health has determined that the value of the service will not exceed \$18,000; and

WHEREAS, the term of this Agreement shall be for one year from June 1, 2021 to May 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Meghan K. Pillai has agreed to provide clinical services and child health screening services for an annual retainer fee of \$18,000, and based upon a rate of \$150.00 per hour; and

WHEREAS, funds for this purpose have been budgeted and certified by the Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Mount Olive.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Health of the Township of Mount Olive, New Jersey, that the Board of Health hereby appoints Meghan K. Pillai, M.D., as Medical Director for the period June 1, 2021 to May 31, 2022, for an annual fee not to exceed \$18,000; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Health of the Township of Mount Olive, New Jersey, that the Board of Health hereby approves the execution of an agreement to meet the terms contained herein.

The Resolution was approved on a motion by Board member Kana and second by Abrams; all members present were in favor.

Unfinished Business:

None

Legal Business:

None

Public Portion:

None

Board Comments:

Board member Abrams told everyone to be careful because of the delta variant and to have a good summer.

Board member Olup wished everyone a great summer.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 pm on a motion by Board member Abrams and second by Kana; all members present were in favor.

Colleen Labow
Chairperson

I, Michele Doucette, Mount Olive Township Board of Health Secretary, do hereby certify that the foregoing Minutes are a true and correct copy of the Minutes approved at a legally convened meeting of the Mount Olive Township Board of Health duly held on September 15, 2021.

Michele Doucette
Board of Health Secretary