

#### MONMOUTH COUNTY REGIONAL HEALTH COMMISSION NO. 1

# Tuesday, July 26, 2022 Open Meeting

#### CALL TO ORDER:

President Giles called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. He then led the Regional Board of Health in the salute to the flag, and read the "Open Public Meeting Act Statement".

## SALUTE TO THE FLAG

## **ROLL CALL**

Brielle – Denise Murphy, Fair Haven – Theresa Casagrande, Little Silver – Dr. Tim Sullivan Monmouth Beach -Larry Bolsch, Rumson – Therese Wollman, Sea Bright- Paul Roman (attending in person), Sea Girt – Diane Anthony, Spring Lake – Mary Anne Donahue, Spring Lake Heights – Dr. Len Giles, Tinton Falls -Doreen Hoffmann Upon completion of the roll call, the Secretary reported that 10 members were present\*.

\*Donna Campagna of Allenhurst arrived after roll call which brought the total present to 11 commissioners.

#### ABSENT:

Deal - Stephen Carasia, Interlaken – Lori Reibrich, Loch Arbour – Marilyn Simons, Township of Middletown – Rich DeBenedetto, West Long Branch – Stephanie Dollinger

# **OTHERS PRESENT:**

David A. Henry, Health Officer (attending in person), Bruce Padula Esq (remote), Nick DelGaudio Esq (remote), Gail Krzyzczuk (remote) Marita Kresge, Commission Secretary (attending in person), Peg Huie (remote), Dominick Astino (remote), Cindy Weaver (remote), Kristopher Kirkland (remote)

#### MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

# OPEN SESSION- May 24, 2022

Doreen Hoffmann of Tinton Falls motioned to approve the Open Session minutes of May 24, 2022, seconded by Diane Anthony of Sea Girt.

Voice Vote: Unanimous

## CLOSED SESSION - MAY 24, 2022

Therese Wollman of Rumson motioned to approve the Closed Session minutes of May 24, 2022, seconded by Mary Anne Donahue of Spring Lake.

Voice Vote: Unanimous

#### SPECIAL MEETING - June 21, 2022

Dr. Tim Sullivan of Little Silver motioned to approve the Special Meeting minutes of June 21, 2022, seconded by Therese Wollman of Rumson.

Voice Vote: Spring Lake and Fair Haven Abstained since they were not present for meeting, all others voted unanimously to approve the minutes.

# RESOLUTION 2022-44 - CLOSED SESSION

Dr. Tim Sullivan motioned to enter into closed session at 11:35 am, seconded by Diane Anthony of Sea Girt. Commissioners remained in the meeting, all others were asked to leave the room, or placed in the waiting room on Zoom.

Dr. Tim Sullivan of Little Silver made the motion to return to open session at 12:04 pm, which was seconded by Mary Anne Donahue of Spring Lake.

# CONSENT AGENDA Resolutions 2022- 45-55, and 57

Approval for Payment of Monthly Bills	<b>RESOLUTION 2022-45</b>
Hiring of Justin Bautista REHS	<b>RESOLUTION 2022-46</b>
Lead Grant Approval/Budget	<b>RESOLUTION 2022-47</b>
Vaccine Grant Approval/Budget	<b>RESOLUTION 2022-48</b>
LHOC Grant Approval/Budget	<b>RESOLUTION 2022-49</b>
Accepting Resignation Michaela Novo	<b>RESOLUTION 2022-50</b>
Hire Isagemni Inofinada PT REHS/LHOC	<b>RESOLUTION 2022-51</b>
Accepting Resignation of Elizabeth Hernandez	<b>RESOLUTION 2022-52</b>
Contract VNACNJ	<b>RESOLUTION 2022-53</b>
Hiring of Sharon Martens REHS/LHOC	<b>RESOLUTION 2022-54</b>
Contract Coastal Inspection Services	<b>RESOLUTION 2022-55</b>
Municibid- Auction Surplus Vehicles and Property	<b>RESOLUTION 2022-57</b>

## Tabled

Contract Community Action Resource Center RESOLUTION 2022-56

This resolution is tabled until next meeting awaiting signed contract.

Mary Anne Donahue made a motion to approve Resolutions of consent agenda with the exception of #56 which was pulled. Seconded by Donna Campagna of Allenhurst.

# Roll Call Vote:

Allenhurst	Yes	Sea Bright	Yes
Brielle	Yes	Sea Girt	Yes
Fair Haven	Yes	Spring Lake	Yes
Little Silver	Yes	Spring Lake Hts	Yes
Monmouth Beach	Yes	Tinton Falls	Yes
Rumson	Yes		

VOTE: 11 Ayes, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain,

## **ORDINANCES**

First Reading and Introduction

**Ordinance 2022-1 Revised Food Fees**. This is a restructuring of the way fees are collected for special events, we are not losing anything with this, just collecting a direct fee for plan review as opposed to splitting the fee with the town as was done in the past.

Introduced by Sea Bright (Roman), Seconded by Allenhurst (Campagna)

#### Roll Call Vote:

Allenhurst	Yes	Sea Bright	Yes
Brielle	Yes	Sea Girt	Yes
Fair Haven	Yes	Spring Lake	Yes
Little Silver	Yes	Spring Lake Hts	Yes
Monmouth Beach	Yes	Tinton Falls	Yes
Rumson	Yes		

VOTE: 11 Ayes, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain

**Ordinance 2022-2 Electronic smoking device licensing.** We will be charging \$750 for yearly license for establishments that sell electronic smoking devices. We are presenting this to our towns to see if they are on board with this effort to curb the use of electronic smoking, and to generate income for the commission. We currently are aware of 20 establishments within our communities that this would apply to.

Introduced by Sea Bright (Roman), Seconded by Fair Haven (Newell)

#### Roll Call Vote:

Allenhurst	Yes	Sea Bright	Yes
Brielle	Yes	Sea Girt	Yes
Fair Haven	Yes	Spring Lake	Yes
Little Silver	Abstain	Spring Lake Hts	No
Monmouth Beach	Yes	Tinton Falls	Abstain
Rumson	Abstain		

VOTE: 7 Ayes, 1 Nay, 3 Abstain

# **BUDGET AND FINANCE**

Paul Roman is the new Chairman. Paul states the committee had a good meeting recently and discussed areas generating revenue and measures to save us money. Paul will present a report hopefully next week, and then we can begin to move forward with our new budget.

Dave brought up a new grant that he is applying for which could have the potential to bring in \$2.8 million. This is not a reimbursable grant; they would give you the total amount upfront, and these funds are for retaining staff, hiring staff, making sure that your organization has the

capacity to deliver public health, and data modernization. The intent of this grant is to rebuild the infrastructure.

We have a chance to get these funds directly as a special health department. The other large grant that the state received for workforce development is still in committee and we have no idea when or how much we might receive from this.

# CFO

No report

## TREASURER'S REPORT

You have received that information in your packet

# **HUMAN RESOURCES**

Mary Anne Donahue the Chairperson said they have had a few meetings, and the next one is August 16<sup>th</sup>, they are continuing to work on the Policy and Procedure manual and hope to have rough draft by September. Still working on union contract as well.

# **OPERATIONS**

Chairperson Diane Anthony said she did not have a report for today, but asked to be kept in the loop over the negotiations of our lease for the building.

## **GOVERNANCE**

Nothing

#### AUDIT

The auditors have been here this past week and have finished their initial onsite work.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

We have received a number of congratulatory letters from some of our public health partners on our accreditation. We are thankful for their kind words and continued partnership with us as we protect and preserve the public's health.

We also received a letter of congratulations from the president of the CDC which was forwarded to our town members and has been added to our website.

#### **HEALTH OFFICERS REPORT**

As part of our BOH orientation we included Chapter 52 in our mailings to our commissioners. This is the minimum performance standards for local public health and the commissioners can take a look at this and give me a call if you should have any questions. These standards were readopted without change. We have finished off the details of the reimbursement of the FEMA grant last week. Public Health priority funding is still in committee so we are waiting to hear what that funding might be.

I wish to thank all or our staff and the commissioners for their support as we have gone through the accreditation process. Our effort was led by Cindy Weaver, so great thanks to her, and to Len and Paul for their encouragement and to moving us forward, and thanks to all of our employees. Thanks also to assemblywoman Piperno, Senator Gopal, strategic health advisor Montgomery Township Health Department, Camden County Health Department, Keith Levine from Lawrenceville Health Department, Sandy Van Zant who originally started this many years ago, the PHAB people, Dr. Chelsea who's been our liaison with PHAB, and again CDC Director Walensky. Thank you all for getting us to this point we could not have done this without you.

Our Communicable Disease team has been working diligently on Monkeypox and we have three situations that we can report on now. The 1<sup>st</sup> case was an exposed contact case. Belvin, Ashley, Cindy, Peg and I working together were able to get that person vaccinated within 24 hours, and they will be coming back for their next dose in house. They did a fantastic job to get him vaccinated. He would have been vaccinated that day, but he had a scheduling conflict. The second case Belvin was able to get him into the ER for testing and, he was positive. Belvin was also able to get him the experimental monkeypox drug. He had a lot of sores on his face, hands, feet, buttocks and was very uncomfortable. This medicine worked wonders for him and he was very thankful for our assistance. The third case was a mild one, and the pox are healing over, but we are still waiting on test results for confirmation. I don't think anyone thought this was going to be as big a deal as it is, and hats off to my staff for hitting the ground running and doing a great job to help contain and mitigate this as much as we can. Monkeypox can last on surfaces for up to 15 days, so the team has been doing a great job to sanitize as well.

COVID still exists and we are in a high area currently going through a surge. It hasn't' shown to be any more deadly that the Delta variant at this point. the new booster that will be available in the fall is a better match for the BA4 and BA5 variant. Continue to try to protect yourself and be safe.

On a positive note, there hasn't been a lot of mosquitos or tick-borne diseases.

## PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION. - None

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

No report at this time. President Giles thanked everyone for making the meeting today and for their continued efforts on our behalf.

Next Regular Meeting of the MCRHC No. 1 Commission will be held (via Zoom) on Tuesday August 23, 2022 at 11:30 A.M. at the regional's headquarters located at American Red Cross building 1540 West Park Avenue – Suite # 1, Tinton Falls, New Jersey.

ADJOURNMENT – Having no further business, meeting was adjourned at 12:35 pm

Respectfully submitted,

<u>Maríta Kresge</u>

Marita Kresge, Commission Secretary.

Reviewed by:

David A. Henry

David A. Henry, Health Officer