



MONMOUTH COUNTY REGIONAL HEALTH COMMISSION NO. 1

REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, December 20, 2022
Open Meeting

CALL TO ORDER:

President Giles called the meeting to order at 11:33 a.m. He then led the Monmouth County Regional Board of Health in the salute to the flag, and read the “Open Public Meeting Act Statement”.

ROLL CALL

Brielle – Denise Murphy, Fair Haven – Melissa Newell, Monmouth Beach -Larry Bolsch, Rumson – Therese Wollman, Sea Bright- Paul Roman, Spring Lake – Bryan Dempsey, Spring Lake Heights – Dr. Len Giles, Tinton Falls -John Mack

ABSENT:

Allenhurst – Donna Campagna, Deal - Stephen Carasia, Interlaken – Lori Reibrich, Loch Arbour – Marilyn Simons, Township of Middletown – Rich DeBenedetto, Little Silver – Dr. Tim Sullivan, Sea Girt – Diane Anthony

OTHERS PRESENT:

Bruce Padula, Esq., Gail Krzyzyczuk, CFO, Tom Rogers, Marita Kresge, Commission Secretary, Peg Huie, Gem Inofinada , Cindy Weaver, Belvin Reed

MINUTES OF LAST MEETINGS:

OPEN SESSION – October 25, 2022 (Open)

Tom Rogers of Rumson motioned to approve the Open Session minutes of October 25, 2022, seconded by Bryan Dempsey of Spring Lake.

Voice Vote:

7 in favor, 1 abstain

CLOSED SESSION- October 25, 2022

Tom Rogers of Rumson motioned to approve the Closed Session minutes of October 25, 2022, seconded by Larry Bolsch of Monmouth Beach.

Voice vote:

7 in favor, 1 abstain

SPECIAL MEETING- November 3, 2022

Tom Rogers of Rumson motioned to approve the minutes of November 3, 2022 Special meeting, seconded by Bryan Dempsey of Spring Lake.

Approved Minutes of December 20, 2022

Voice vote:
Unanimous consent.

SPECIAL MEETING- December 6, 2022

Tom Rogers of Rumson motioned to approve the minutes of December 6, 2022 Special meeting, seconded by Melissa Newell of Fair Haven.

Voice vote:
Unanimous consent.

RESOLUTION 2022-92

Resolution 2022-92 to enter into Closed Session

Tom Rogers of Rumson motioned to enter Closed Session for the purpose of litigation or contract negotiation, and Human Resources seconded by Melissa Newell of Fair Haven. Marita Kresge Commission Secretary, Peg Huie, Cindy Weaver, Gem Inofinada, and Belvin Reed were placed in Zoom waiting room.

Voice vote:
Unanimous

*Any item can be removed from Consent Agenda for further discussion

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION 2022-93	Approval for Payment of Monthly Bills Nov/Dec
RESOLUTION 2022-94	TB Shared Services with Monmouth County Health Dept.
RESOLUTION 2022-95	Accept Resignation of Mary Anne Donahue from Commission
RESOLUTION 2022-96	Fuel Agreement with Ocean Township
RESOLUTION 2022-97	Strategic Health Advisors-NJACCHO Administration
RESOLUTION 2022-98	Accept the Resignation of Health Educator Connie Polonsky
RESOLUTION 2022-99	VNA PSA Contract for 2023
RESOLUTION 2022-100	Accept Resignation of VPOC/Generalist Adriana Agudelo
RESOLUTION 2022-101	Accept NJACCHO Grant, Enhancing Local Public Health

Paul Roman of Sea Bright motioned to adopt resolutions 2022-93 through 2022-96, and 2022-98 through 100, seconded by Tom Rogers of Rumson.

Resolutions 2022-97 and 2022-101 were removed from consent agenda for further discussion.

Roll Call Vote:

Brielle	Yes	Sea Bright	Yes
Fair Haven	Yes	Spring Lake	Yes
Monmouth Beach	Yes	Spring Lake Hts	Yes
Rumson	Yes	Tinton Falls	Yes

VOTE: 8 Ayes, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain,
Motion Carries

RESOLUTION 2022-97

Strategic Health Advisors-NJACCHO Administration

This resolution is amended to reflect that Strategic Health Advisors will manage the application process for MCRHC for the NJACCHO Enhancing Local Public Health Grant for a fee of not more than \$6,000.00 which will be paid through the Grant.

Motion was made by Bryan Dempsey of Spring Lake, and seconded by Tom Rogers of Rumson.

Roll Call Vote:

Brielle	Yes	Sea Bright	Yes
Fair Haven	Yes	Spring Lake	Yes
Monmouth Beach	Yes	Spring Lake Hts	Yes
Rumson	Yes	Tinton Falls	Abstain

VOTE: 7 Ayes, 0 Nay, 1 Abstain,
Motion Carries

RESOLUTION 2022-101

Accept NJACCHO Grant, Enhancing Local Public Health

This resolution is to accept the \$627,016.00 if awarded that Strategic Health Advisors is going to apply for on our behalf. Motion was made by Bryan Dempsey of Spring Lake, and seconded by Tom Rogers of Rumson.

Roll Call Vote:

Brielle	Yes	Sea Bright	Yes
Fair Haven	Yes	Spring Lake	Yes
Monmouth Beach	Yes	Spring Lake Hts	Yes
Rumson	Yes	Tinton Falls	Yes

VOTE: 8 Ayes, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain,
Motion Carries

BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE:

The Budget for 2023 was introduced in Closed Session. We cut as much as we could, and hopefully all will be in favor.

Bryan Dempsey of Spring Lake made a motion to accept the budget introduction, seconded by Tom Rogers of Rumson.

Roll Call Vote:

Brielle	Yes	Sea Bright	Yes
Fair Haven	Yes	Spring Lake	Yes
Monmouth Beach	Yes	Spring Lake Hts	Yes
Rumson	Yes	Tinton Falls	Yes

VOTE: 8 Ayes, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain,
Motion Carries

HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION 2022-71 Promote Isagemni Inofinada from PT to FT

RESOLUTION 2022-80 Additional Duties of the Officer Coordinator

Motion was made by Tom Rogers of Rumson, and seconded by Bryan Dempsey of Spring Lake to accept resolution 2022-71 to promote Isagemni Inofinada from part time to full time grant position LHOC/IDPG.

At this time the resolution 2022-80 for the additional duties of the Office Coordinator has been tabled until a later date.

Roll Call Vote:

Brielle	Yes	Sea Bright	Yes
Fair Haven	Yes	Spring Lake	Yes
Monmouth Beach	Yes	Spring Lake Hts	Yes
Rumson	Yes	Tinton Falls	Yes

VOTE: 8 Ayes, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain,
Motion Carries

COMMUNICATIONS:

None at this time.

Interim Supervisor Report

Dominick Astino is out ill so we don't have a report, but President Giles shared that the staff is working hard, and we are in a good place as we navigate this transition.

GRANTS:

Cindy Weaver our Consulting Health Officer is working with Dominic on the grants, she is the point person for our grants. Cindy shared that the quarter is closing for both the SLPH and Vaccine grants. We are filling out the forms and coordinating with Strategic Health Advisors to get everything filed on time. The Vaccine grant will not be renewed going forward, but the SLPH grant has. Additionally, we did not receive the CDC grant due to our population size we did not qualify, the state did get this grant.

With the assistance of SHA we are applying for the NJACCHO grant which was just discussed, and this should be a good grant for us financially as long as we can justify spending, but next year will be somewhat less due to our population.

CFO REPORT:

Gail Krzyzczuk stated she has no additional report at this time, but would be happy to answer any questions pertaining to the budget that was introduced earlier in closed session.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Statement of Accounts was emailed to all commissioners

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:

Approved Minutes of December 20, 2022

RESOLUTION 2022-82 -ARC Lease

We are going to carry this resolution until next meeting. Our attorney will contact the ARC and try to renegotiate a one-year lease with them.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Paul Roman shared that our Auditor has completed his audit, and they were waiting for an update from our attorney which he believes has occurred, Paul and Larry Bolsch will be meeting with them shortly to go over the audit before final presentation. A copy of the audit will be distributed to all the commissioners upon receipt.

OLD BUSINESS:

Paul Roman reported on NJ IMPACT, LLC the lobbying and advocacy group we hired in September to assist us in our pursuit of ARPA funds among other monies that may be available to other health departments that have not be available to us as a regional health commission. They have a contact in the Governor's office that said unfortunately they are out of money for the emergency funding, but there may be some FEMA money available. Two other health commissions have joined us in this, and hopefully we will have some positive results with NJ IMPACT advocating on our behalf. They have said at this point they will not charge us anything additional as it is now a cause celeb for them, and hopefully they will be successful.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

This will be the last meeting for MaryAnn Donahue Spring Lake Commissioner. She will be missed. She served on the Spring Lake Board of Health for 36 years. When Spring Lakes Commissioner fell ill, she took over those duties including the Treasurer's position. She also served as our HR chair and lead the effort to revamp our policies and procedures manual. I want to thank her on behalf of the Commission for her service. Unfortunately, with the departure of Little Silver, Tinton Falls and Middletown we will also be missing the contributions of their commissioners. I would like to recognize Commissioners Dr. Tim Sullivan of Little Silver, Doreen Hoffman of Tinton Falls, John Mack of Tinton Falls and Rich Debenedetto of Middletown. All of whom served their communities well with their service to the Commission. Also given recognition is Dr. Meg Fischer with a bookshelf clock with an engraved plaque for her years of service on behalf of the borough of sea bright and as our associate medical director. She continues her public service as the Acting Deputy Commissioner of health for New Jersey, what a great asset to that organization. We also acted on the resignation of Connie Polonsky; Connie was our Health Educator. Connie contributed in many ways to our organization from social media postings to accreditation and much more, we thank her for her service. Unfortunately, we also have accepted the resignation of Adriana Agudelo; Adriana was diligent and passionate in her work on behalf of the Commission for our grants. I am sure we all wish her well; she will be missed.

I also want to thank the Staff who really worked hard to make this HO transition possible. Dominick, Greg, Marita, Ashley, Belvin, Peg, Cindy, Adriana and Gem. I also want to thank Gail and Paul for their extensive efforts on the budget. I want to also recognize the contributions from Administrators Tom Rogers and Bryan Dempsey which are greatly appreciated. I also like to include in this recognition our attorneys Bruce Padula and Nick Delgaudia, for their expertise over this unique year.

I am looking forward to a better new year for the Commission. I thank everyone for their contributions.

NEW BUSINESS

Dominick Astino as authorized check signer.

A motion was made by Bryan Dempsey of Spring Lake to allow Dominick Astino, Interim Supervisor to sign checks for MCRHC, seconded by Tom Rogers of Rumson.

Roll Call Vote:

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Motion Carries

Additionally, we have been advertising for a new Health Officer on NJACCHO, NJLOM, NJPHA, NJEHA, our own website, and Indeed. We have only received one qualified application. Tom Rogers would like to keep the posting open to see what candidates might apply in the new year.

Currently the postings for this position are open until January 31, 2023. However, due to lack of quality applicants, the posting is being removed from Indeed.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

None

ACCREDITATION:

Nothing to report

Next Regular Meeting of the MCRHC No. 1 Commission will be held (via Zoom) on Tuesday January 24, 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.

Respectfully submitted,

Marita Kresge

Marita Kresge, Commission Secretary