Borough of New Providence Board of Health Minutes - Organizational Meeting January 13, 2011

The organizational meeting of the Board of Health of the Borough of New Providence, County of Union and State of New Jersey was held on Thursday, January 13, 2011 at the Municipal Center.

CALL TO ORDER: Secretary Fitzpatrick called the meeting to order

at 7:30 P.M.

PRESENT ON ROLL CALL: President Corsi, Ms. Burke, Dr. Lake, Dr. Pizzi,

Ms. Silvagni

ABSENT: Dr. Carniol

ALSO PRESENT: Secretary Fitzpatrick, Health Director Avallone,

Health Inspector Kozar, Public Health Nurse

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Secretary Fitzpatrick led the Pledge of

Allegiance.

PUBLIC NOTICE: Secretary Fitzpatrick stated that this is a public

meeting of the Board of Health of the Borough of New Providence, County of Union and State of New Jersey. Adequate notice of this meeting has

been given in accordance with P.L. 1975,

Chapter 231, in that an annual notice or revision was made in conformance with Section 13 of the

Act.

Prior to proceeding with the reorganization, President Corsi noted that Dr. Lake had been appointed by the mayor as a permanent member of the Board. Ms. Burke is now 1st Alternate. There is an opening for 2nd Alternate. He asked if board members knew of anyone who should be considered for the vacancy, to so advise.

President Corsi stated that Dr. Carniol had contacted him requesting that the reorganization meeting date be changed to February 3rd. President Corsi explained that this could not be done because of contracts that have to be signed tonight. Dr. Carniol also stated that he would be willing to serve as board president if no one else wants the job.

BOARD ORGANIZATION:

Secretary Fitzpatrick called for nominations for Board President. Mr. Corsi nominated Dr. Lake. Ms. Silvagni seconded the motion. There being no other nominations, Mr. Corsi moved and Ms. Silvagni seconded the motion that nominations be closed. Secretary Fitzpatrick cast one unanimous vote for Dr. Lake as President.

Dr. Lake nominated Mr. Corsi for Board Vice President. Ms. Silvagni seconded the motion. There being no other nominations, Dr. Pizzi moved and Ms. Silvagni seconded the motion that nominations be closed. Secretary Fitzpatrick cast one unanimous vote for Mr. Corsi as Vice President.

Resolution 2011-01 "Resolution appointing Linda Fitzpatrick as Board of Health Secretary for the Borough of New Providence"

Vice President Corsi moved and Ms. Silvagni seconded the motion to approve this resolution. Approved on unanimous vote of the board.

Resolution 2011-02 "Resolution Setting Time and Dates for the Board of Health Meetings for the Year 2011"

Vice President Corsi moved and Dr. Pizzi seconded the motion to approve this resolution. Approved on unanimous vote of the board.

This concluded the reorganization. The meeting adjourned at 7:38.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Corsi moved the minutes of the November 18th 2010 Board of Health meeting be approved as submitted. Seconded by Dr. Pizzi and unanimously approved.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Saint Hubert's Giralda report, November 2010. The report was accepted. Ms. Avallone advised that the new animal control service, Associated Humane Societies, would be providing similar reports.

Secretary Fitzpatrick read a note from former Secretary Marilyn Gorgia to the board, in appreciation of their farewell gift and all the years of working together.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Resolution 2011-03

"Resolution Approving Contract Between the New Providence Board of Health and the Town of Westfield."

Director Avallone distributed the 2011 budget sheet. She recommended budgeting for 25 immunization doses @ \$250.00, an increase over the previous year's \$100.00. Board members discussed whether this additional expense was warranted. Director Avallone stated that this was good public health practice. Upon roll call vote, all members voted in favor of reserving \$250.00 for this expense.

2. Resolution 2011-04

"Resolution Approving Contract Between the Board of Health of the Borough of New Providence and Associated Humane Societies, Inc. for Animal Control Services for Year 2011"

Dr. Lake stated that the Associated Humane Societies 1-year contract for animal control services was essentially the same set of services as had been provided by St. Hubert's. Director Avallone noted that Summit was also going with AHS this year. The resolution was unanimously approved.

3. Member Contact List Updated list was finalized

PUBLIC HEARING OF CITIZENS

There being no members of the public present, this portion of the meeting was closed.

REPORTS:

Health Director's Report:

Review of Health Director's report. The budget was approved by unanimous vote.

Sanitary Inspector's Report:

- 1. Everyone passed inspection.
- 2. The old A&P is a problem. The building is dilapidated, there are holes in the walls. The landlord has contacted her to report that other storekeepers are noticing an increase in mice. The A&P premises are empty of food but there is pest activity. The water sources (dripping and puddles) have been eliminated. The A&P had not wanted to use poison while the store was functioning but now Inspector Kozar recommends poisoning. Dr. Lake noted that the problems are worse now because the company is bankrupt.
- The 6-mo quarantine release is coming up. The pet owner was issued a summons. The court case was concluded but the cat will be checked in February.

Public Health Nurse Report:

- 1. Lots of flu vaccine left. About 50 doses were given in the office.
- 2. Working with a new Community Development Grant to establish new programs at the Senior Center. These will include memory exercises, keeping journals, walking program, distributing of pedometers.
- 3. The Health Fair is scheduled for May 11th from 8-11A.M.

- 4. Continuing to audit schools, conduct health screenings with the Overlook Community Health Department.
- 5. Trying to get Overlook Community Health Department to come to New Providence to do screenings as they do at Westfield. These would be publicized on Ch. 35, the website, in the local newspaper and in the Senior Citizen newsletter.
- 6. Dr. Carniol has come to the Senior Center several times to talk about skin cancer.
- 7. A wellness "lunch and learn" lecture for borough employees is planned for March with Dr. Schlobom, a local chiropractor.

Mr. Corsi recommended that Public Health Nurse Gironda come up with a list of screenings the community needs, to be discussed at the next meeting.

There being no further business, on motion by Mr. Corsi, seconded by Dr. Lake, the meeting was adjourned at 8:08 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Fitzpatrick Board of Health Secretary