

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Health of the Borough of Moonachie is called to order by President M. Cinque via Zoom on November 13, 2023 at 7:32pm.

M. Cinque called for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL: M. Cinque, M. Mezzina, J. Anastasio, L. Martinez-present, R. Wende- excused  
Attorney Juan Moran-present, Maria Schmitt, Health Inspector-present  
Councilwoman Karen Surak, Liaison to Mayor and Council – present

Secretary stated that notice of the meeting was published in The Record on March 19, 2023 posted in the Municipal Building, and on the Borough website that the meeting would be held over Zoom in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

### **MINUTES**

Motion by M. Mezzina, second by J. Anastasio to adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 11, 2023.

ROLL CALL: Cinque, Mezzina, Anastasio, Martinez.

All ayes. So ordered.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Bergen County Department of Health Services	September, October 2023
Health Consultation Report	September, October 2023
Bergen County Animal Control	September, October 2023
Registrar of Vital Statistics	September, October 2023

Motion by L. Martinez, second by M. Mezzina to file communications.

ROLL CALL: Cinque, Mezzina, Anastasio, Martinez.

All ayes. So ordered.

### **Report from Health Inspector Maria Schmitt:**

Maria mentioned that since the last meeting all inspections are completed. Thers a new restaurant Bello's that opened in October, and passed inspection. La Havana was conditional and she had to call environmental due to them treating with pesticides, and they needed a new exterminator. Has been fine at follow up. The new restaurant will need 1 more inspection before the end of the year.

M. Cinque asked about La Havana.

Maria mentioned that they were spraying pesticides themselves and they had an exterminator but it was not enough. The owner was cooperative after speaking with him.

C/Surak asked regarding the dog breeding at the mobile home park.

Maria mentioned that Animal Control and the Humane Officer were following up, and it was originally a resident neighbor complaint.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Rabies Clinic: 20 Dogs 1 Cat

M. Cinque asked about the Rabies Clinic and if vaccines were available at the County animal shelter.

Secretary mentioned that the animal shelter is providing rabies vaccines, and at the rabies clinic the DPW Superintendent mentioned that the clinic next year could be held at the new DPW Garage as there is more space available.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Bergen County Department of Health Services Public Nursing Presentation

Melissa Johnson- Bloodbourne Pathogen program, Barbra Calabrese- Tuberculosis Program

Melissa Johnson spoke regarding services available to residents including the cancer detection program, wellness program, and the public school audit. Allyson Ditmars is the contact for Communicable Diseases, and the cases from last month were closed.

M. Cinque asked regarding the school audit.

Barbra Calabrese mentioned that the audit is planned and they work with the school to get compliance. On the first visit there was 99% compliance for vaccinations, which is good.

M. Cinque asked regarding religious exemptions.

Barbra Calabrese mentioned that a letter from the parent regarding religious exemption is needed.

M. Cinque asked about the cancer detection program.

Barbra Calabrese mentioned that they can bring the information to the next Health Consultation Program for those that qualify. The program is called CEED and run by Sue Crandal, her contact information is 201-634-2664.

M. Cinque asked about the number of Covid cases.

Melissa Johnson mentioned that the County monitors the cases through the State system when they are reported.

L. Martinez asked about non-public school monitoring.

2024 Meeting Schedule (2<sup>nd</sup> Monday, January, March, June, September & November)  
Board reviewed possible dates for meetings in 2024. November may have to be changed due to Veteran's Day and if it is a Borough Holiday. The Board Reorganization Meeting will be on January 8<sup>th</sup>.

**PUBLIC HEARING**                      No one wished to be heard.

Motion by J. Anastasio, second by M. Mezzina to close Public Hearing.

ROLL CALL: Cinque, Mezzina, Anastasio, Martinez.

All ayes. So ordered.

Motion by L. Martinez, second by M. Mezzina to adjourn meeting at 8:11pm.

ROLL CALL: Cinque, Mezzina, Anastasio, Martinez.

All ayes. So ordered.

ATTEST:

Jennifer Cooney, Secretary