

BOROUGH OF MOONACHIE  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
BOARD OF HEALTH

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The Regular Meeting of the Board of Health of the Borough of Moonachie is called to order by M. Cinque in the Kathryn E. Flynn Civic Center on September 12, 2016 at 7:39pm.

President called for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL: M. Cinque, B. Garner, L. Martinez, M. Mezzina, K. Surak- present  
Attorney Juan Morán, Maria Schmitt, Health Inspector-present  
Councilwoman Lucille Millar, Liaison to Mayor and Council-present

Secretary stated that notice of the meeting was announced in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act.

Motion by M. Mezzina, second by K. Surak to adopt the minutes of June 13, 2016. (No meetings July and August)

ROLL CALL: Cinque, Garner, Martinez, Mezzina, Surak.  
All ayes. So ordered.

Motion by B. Garner and second by L. Martinez to waive the Regular Order of the Business.

ROLL CALL: Cinque, Garner, Martinez, Mezzina, Surak.  
All ayes. So ordered.

PRESENTATION:

Dog Canvass/Census

Carol Tyler, Tyco Animal Control- spoke about how a canvas works best when they knock on every door, some dogs bark. There is some loss because some dogs do not bark. Overall, they found 151 unlicensed dogs in the Borough, mostly in the mobile home communities. Will give information to Secretary. They did not look for cats because the Borough does not license them. Recommended that the Borough should license cats due to them being a factor with rabies in the State. Stated that the census was cost effective, with licenses being \$10, \$2 to the State, and the bill for the census was \$1,265. Tyco has college students working days to conduct the census. It is possible that dogs are being babysat, but then there could also be the possibility of an illegal boarding issue. Compared their list to the one the Secretary provided. Spoke about summons. Explained that this was late in the year due to Tyco's contracting towns have a schedule for a census about every 4 years.

M. Cinque- asked about how far in advance should Tyco be notified if they want to do a canvas in a certain year. Borough Ordinance states it should be every year or every other year.

Carol Tyler- it would be better to notify them in February. College students walk around, but they are also followed by an Animal Control Officer. They have a letter on Borough letterhead about the census. Stated that the law regarding a census was repealed but finds that most towns have a census every 4 years.

C/Millar- asked about how the census was conducted.

Carol Tyler- stated that they knock on the door and if they heard a dog they marked it. They did not leave anything on doors saying that they were there. Mentioned about late fees, how they help with keeping the license numbers consistent. Also using Edmunds for dog licensing because they automatically create renewal and reminders for owners.

Board discussed results of dog census. Possibly changing the ordinance how often a census should be done. M. Cinque mentioned about implementing a late fee, and that overall the census was effective. Discussed sending letters out to owners, what should be included in the letter. M. Cinque asked C/Millar to tell the Mayor and Council to consider a late fee. Late fee could be \$10.

Board discussed putting Rabies Clinic information in the letter so people are able to license and receive a rabies shot on the same day. Also reviewed information for writing summons for dog license, has to be Animal Control Officer or could be Secretary.

**Report from Health Inspector Maria Schmitt:**

Dog Bite- Spoke about dog that killed skunk. Owner disposed of skunk so it was not available for testing, so the dog has to be quarantined for 45 days. Dog received rabies booster.

Isla Tropical- needs to come to next Board of Health Meeting. She is conditional again, and did not sign up for the County class due to cost. M. Cinque asked how much the class is. Maria stated it was \$225. M. Cinque asked about the recent conditional. Maria stated that she had another inspector go there, and food was not out, but it was dirty and there were storage

problems. Maria cannot close the restaurant; the Board could revoke license or not grant one for 2017. L. Martinez mentioned about keeping people safe that are eating at the restaurant.

M. Cinque- asked about the pool at Metropolitan. Maria said it was good all summer, but the last water sample was bad, but they were closed already.

C/Millar- asked Maria about garbage at Vanguard on behalf of the Mayor. He asked if Maria could go there and see what is going on. Maria stated that she has been there with the Mayor and explained the issue. Garbage is picked up 6 days a week, and the lids are left open for residents to put in. There are no rodents, debris or odor. If the dumpsters were closed, then garbage would end up on the ground. Maria said she would go there tomorrow.

B. Garner – asked about chicken on Animal Control report. Chickens were caught in previous month except one, then they caught the last one.

M. Cinque- asked about 10 Monte. Maria stated that the Construction Official puts sticker for unfit for human occupancy, she can attest to the conditions. Owner of property owns another home in the town. He has cleaned up since the sticker was put on the home. C/Millar mentioned that people were coming to the Mayor and Council meetings about the issues there.

#### COMMUNICATIONS:

Bergen County Department of Health Services – Reports for June - August 2016.

Registrar of Vital Statistics - Reports for June - August 2016.

Health Consultation – Reports for June – August 2016.

Bergen County Animal Control- Reports for May - July 2016.

Compliance Management International- Notice of Response Action Outcome for Earth Thebault, 77 Moonachie Avenue, Block 70/Lot 5.02.

GEI Consultants- Response Action Outcome for 20 Knickerbocker LLC, 20 Knickerbocker Road, Block 67/Lot 6.

Bergen County Department of Health Services- letter regarding Enforcement of Local Animal Licensing and Rabies Control Ordinances.

Envirotactics, Inc.-Response Action Outcome for Former AE&A Service Station, 270 Moonachie Avenue, Block 57/Lot 9.

Ransom Environmental- report of Vapor Intrusion Investigation at Former Melnor Industries, 1 Carol Place, Block 40/Lot 4.

Motion by B. Garner, second by L. Martinez to file communications.

ROLL CALL: Cinque, Garner, Martinez, Mezzina, Surak.

All ayes. So ordered.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

M. Cinque- October 19<sup>th</sup> is the Flu and Rabies Clinics. Asked about Nixle. Secretary stated she needed to contact Police Department first.

#### PUBLIC HEARING:

Motion by B. Garner, second by M. Mezzina to close Public Hearing.

ROLL CALL: Cinque, Garner, Martinez, Mezzina, Surak.

All ayes. So ordered.

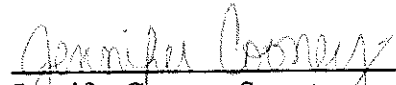
#### NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by M. Mezzina, second by B. Garner to adjourn meeting at 8:35pm.

ROLL CALL: Cinque, Garner, Martinez, Mezzina, Surak.

All ayes. So ordered.

#### ATTEST:

  
 Jennifer Cooney, Secretary