

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYWOOD BOARD OF HEALTH  
MINUTES  
January 16, 2020**

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by inclusion thereof on the schedule of meetings posted and distributed as provided by law.

The meeting was called to order at 7:32pm by Anne Lalumia. Those present included Deborah Taylor, Louis Roer, Karen Dimoski and Elizabeth Grinko. Council Liaison (Alternate) Ryan Ullman, Mayor Richard Bolan, REHS Maria Schmitt and Douglas Herrick were also present.

**OATHS OF OFFICE**

Anne Lalumia, Deborah Taylor and Elizabeth Grinko took their Oaths of Office.

**ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS**

Nomination for President – Anne Lalumia. Deborah Taylor made a motion and Louis Roer seconded. All members present were in favor. Anne Lalumia was elected President.

Nomination for Vice President – Karen Dimoski. Deborah Taylor made a motion and Louis Roer seconded. All members present were in favor. Karen Dimoski was elected Vice President.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The December 19, 2019 minutes were accepted. Deborah Taylor made a motion to accept the minutes and Elizabeth Grinko seconded the motion. All eligible members in attendance voted in favor and the motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

There was none.

**GUEST SPEAKER**

There was none.

**REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES**

There was none.

**REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

There was none.

**REPORT OF HEALTH OFFICER**

There was none.

**REPORT OF REGISTERED ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST**

The report for December was reviewed and discussed. REHS Maria Schmitt noted that she recently made Coronet Variety conditional because of evidence of mice. This is atypical of this establishment and she suspects it is related to the construction occurring at the adjacent property. The proprietor has contacted their exterminator. She also informed the Board that Pizza Pros on Essex Street had closed. President Anne Lalumia made a motion to approve the report. Elizabeth Grinko seconded the motion. All in attendance voted in favor and the motion carried.

## **REPORT OF THE SECRETARY**

The report for December was reviewed and discussed. Deborah Taylor made a motion to accept the report. Karen Dimoski seconded the motion. All in attendance voted in favor and the motion carried.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

Communications received during December and January to-date were reviewed. Board Secretary Tara Grunstra pointed out that certain correspondence such as the 1/28/20 Blood Drive and 1/30/20 Free Produce Market is included in the Borough E-Newsletter.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- a) Past Temporary Events
  - 1) None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- a) 2020 Meeting Dates
  - 1) February meeting moved up 1 week to avoid conflict with Winter Recess
    - (1) Meeting date is 2/13/20
  - 2) March meeting (3/19/20) conflicts with HHS Coffee Hour for Winter Sports
    - (1) Deborah Taylor cannot attend the March BOH meeting
    - (2) Still waiting to hear back from Erin Natale
    - (3) Anne Lalumia, Louis Roer, Karen Dimoski and Elizabeth Grinko confirmed that they would attend
- b) 2020 BOH Licenses
  - 1) Solicitations mailed to Maywood merchants on 11/1/19
    - (1) Reminders mailed on 12/10/19 and 1/7/20
  - 2) 44 of 49 merchants have returned their application and fee
    - (1) Jing's Healthy Snacks and Pizza Pros are no longer in business
  - 3) Waiting on 5 merchants:
    - (1) Holistic Health Dispensary
    - (2) Pho Thai Lao Kitchen
    - (3) Reliz De Manila Salon
    - (4) Silver Hanger Cleaners
    - (5) Wash Bucket
  - 4) Louis Roer asked if there is a penalty for late renewals and Board Secretary Grunstra answered that if a business is not licensed by March 31<sup>st</sup>, a 25% penalty fee is added to the cost of the license
    - (1) She added that most businesses are licensed by the end of January
- c) 2020 Annual Rabies Clinic
  - 1) Wednesday, 1/8/20 7-9pm at the Maywood Recreation Center
  - 2) 62 pets vaccinated (53 dogs & 9 cats)
    - (1) A decrease compared to previous years likely due to people having their pet vaccinated prematurely
      - (a) Approximately 10-15 pets were brought in but their vaccination had not expired
    - (2) Louis Roer noted that since the vaccination lasts 3 years, the participation level would fluctuate
  - 3) No BOH members volunteered
    - (1) Going forward, Board Secretary Grunstra will create a volunteer list and if Board members cannot volunteer, she will make arrangements for Borough employees to work

the event

- 4) Mayor Richard Bolan confirmed with Board Secretary Grunstra and REHS Maria Schmitt that the Borough does not require cats to be licensed
    - (1) If cats were required to be licensed, then they would also need to have a rabies vaccination valid through November 1<sup>st</sup> of that year
      - (a) Requiring all domestic animals to be inoculated against rabies promotes public health and safety
      - (b) Cats kept exclusively indoors should be inoculated against rabies because they may be exposed to rabies if a bat enters the home or if the cat escapes the house and is bitten by rabid wildlife
      - (c) Rabies vaccinations for cats are safe
    - (2) REHS Schmitt reminded the Board of the recent rabid raccoon in Maywood
      - (a) Any mammals can contract rabies but the wildlife most likely to carry rabies are raccoons, bats, skunks and feral cats
      - (b) She added that small rodents such as rats, mice, chipmunks and squirrels are rarely infected
    - (3) Mayor Bolan clarified that the rabies vaccinations provided by the Borough at the annual clinic is free and the annual licensing fee is \$5 if spayed/neutered or \$10 if unaltered
  - 5) Mayor Bolan confirmed that there are Borough ordinances in place prohibiting the feeding of feral cats
    - (1) REHS Schmitt suggested that if the Borough were interested in diminishing the number of feral cats, then a Trap, Neuter and Release program may be appropriate
      - (a) Bergen County Animal Control could present to the Board of Health or the Mayor and Council
- c) Upcoming Temporary Events
- 1) Emailed Tastefully British about their 4/4/20 Golden Age Club Fish and Chips Dinner on 1/7/20 but they haven't responded

### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss, Anne Lalumia made a motion to adjourn. Deborah Taylor seconded the motion. All in attendance voted in favor and the meeting adjourned at 8:18pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara Grunstra, Secretary