

EAST AMWELL BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES
7:30 PM ZOOM
April 26, 2022 – Regular Meeting

Statement of Compliance

The regular meeting of the East Amwell Board of Health was opened on April 26, 2022 at 7:30 PM. In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting was published in the February 17, 2022 issue of the Hunterdon County Democrat. A copy of the agenda was forwarded to the Hunterdon County Democrat, filed in the Township Clerk’s Office, posted on the bulletin board and township website.

Roll Call:

Committee Member (term expires)	1/25/2022	2/22/2022	3/22/2022	4/26/2022	5/24/2022	6/28/2022	7/26/2022	8/23/2022	9/27/2022	10/25/2022	11/22/2022	12/27/2022
Tracy Carluccio (12/2024) - Chair	X	Cancelled	X	X								
Janis Grover (12/2024)	X		A	X								
Rick Wolfe (12/2024) - TC Liaison	X		X	X								
Larry Tatsch (12/2024)	X		X	X								
Chris Sobieski (12/2023)	X		X	X								
Pete Miller (12/2023)	X		A	A								
Pauline Serafin (12/2023)	X		X	A								
Leo DeCandia (12/2024) - Alternate #1	X		X	X								
Jennifer O’Sullivan - Hunterdon County	A		A	A								
Amy Jo Merz (12/2022)	X		X	X								

Agenda Review

There were no additions to the agenda.

Presentation of Minutes

March 22, 2022 Meeting Minutes

A motion made by Mr. Tatsch, seconded by Mr. Wolfe to approve the minutes as presented, with one small correction under Education and Health Issues, were approved by voice vote.

Presentation of Vouchers

A motion made by Mr. Wolfe, seconded by Mr. Tatsch to approve the vouchers was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Open to the Public

A motion made by Mr. Sobieski, seconded by Mr. Wolfe to open the meeting to the public was unanimously approved by voice vote. Seeing no members of the public come forward, a motion made by Mr. Sobieski, seconded by Mr. Wolfe to close the meeting to the public was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business for discussion.

New Business:**Notice of Violation**

The notice of violation issued to Integrity Auto Body by the County was discussed. Jennifer O'Sullivan will be conducting a follow-up inspection on or about May 2, 2022, to confirm that the garbage has been removed from the premises.

Items of Discussion:**Education and Health Issues**

The subject of controlling mosquitoes on one's property to avoid viruses was discussed again from last month. Ms. Merz found informational/educational graphics regarding ways to avoid/eliminate standing water sources that she will post on the Board of Health webpage. In addition, Mr. Tatsch sent Ms. Merz information from the EPA regarding BTI, an effective biological insecticide for mosquitoes, to treat areas of standing water that can't be drained. This information will also be posted on the Board of Health webpage. Chair Carluccio added that the County will send out reports during the warmer months since they test the larvae for west nile and equine encephalitis viruses.

Ms. Merz said she has been working on updating the information and links on the Board's webpage. She asked if the Board members could take a look at the webpage and let her know if there are items they would like to add, change or remove.

Board Secretary's Report

Ms. Merz asked the Board if they would like to include information to residents in the upcoming tax bill mailing, as was mentioned to her by Deputy Clerk Pam Dymek. In previous year's, the Board has included information on various subjects, such as septic system tips, mosquito information and the use of fertilizer. Chair Carluccio stated it would be a good idea to utilize the opportunity to send information to residents. Chair Carluccio's suggestion was to include information on the protection of well water. Chair Carluccio said she would look into information she receives from UWV as it contains good information about protecting wells from contamination. Also, maybe include some information on well testing. Board members that have ideas or information about topics should email them to Chair Carluccio before the next Board meeting on May 24th.

Ordinance Review Committee

Chapter 152 - FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS/LICENSING Ordinance

Chair Carluccio asked the members of the ordinance review committee if they would like to set up a meeting date soon to discuss the next steps of this ordinance and also to discuss a good time to hold a public work session to share information and clear up any misinformation about this ordinance. Such as, what this ordinance is, what the County's role is in regulating food, definitions of what a mobile food establishment is and basic, educational information. Dan Wyckoff from the County Health Department would be invited to the public work session to answer any questions people may have.

Open to the Public

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Correspondence

Chair Carluccio reviewed the correspondence with the Board. There was no discussion amongst the members on the majority of the items. Mr. Wolfe added that Chair Carluccio's letter to the Planning Board was very well done and he appreciated her effort. Chair Carluccio thanked Mr. Wolfe and said they should be hearing from the Planning Board soon regarding their revised draft of the Master Plan Land Use Element. Chair Carluccio requested that the Planning Board send a formal referral of the Revised Proposed Master Plan Element to the Board of Health and other Township boards and committees for review and comment before the Planning Board takes any further action. Chair Carluccio asked Ms. Merz if an email is received from the Planning Board before the next meeting, to forward it to the Board members right away for their review and discussion at the next Board meeting.

Adjourn

A motion made by Mr. Wolfe, seconded by Mr. Tatsch to adjourn the meeting at 7:46pm was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Amy Jo Merz, Board of Health Secretary