

**EAST AMWELL TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES
7:30 PM ZOOM
August 22, 2023 – Regular Meeting**

Statement of Compliance

The regular meeting of the East Amwell Township Board of Health was opened on August 22, 2023 at 7:30 PM by Chair Carluccio. In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by a notice sent to the official newspapers of the Township, posted on the Township website, posted on the bulletin board of the Municipal building and filed with the Township Clerk as required by law, on February 1, 2023.

Roll Call

Committee Member (term expires)	1/24/2023	2/28/2023	3/28/2023	4/25/2023	5/23/2023	6/27/2023	7/25/2023	8/22/2023	9/26/2023	10/24/2023	11/28/2023	12/26/2023
Tracy Carluccio (12/2024) - Chair	X	A	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Leo DeCandia (12/2024)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Michael Dendis (12/2023) – TC Liaison	X	X	X	A	X	A	X	X				
Janis Grover (12/2024)	X	A	A	A	A	<i>Resigned 6/12/23</i>						
Juliet Leonard (12/2024) – Alternate #2					X	X	X	A				
Pauline Serafin (12/2023)	X	A	A	A	X	A	A	7:33				
Chris Sobieski (12/2023)	A	A	X	A	A	A	A	A				
Larry Tatsch (12/2024) – Vice Chair	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Rick Wolfe (12/2025)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Amy Jo Merz - Secretary	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				

Agenda Review

There were no additions to the agenda.

Presentation of Minutes

June 27, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes

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

July 25, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes

Approval of the July minutes is tabled until the September meeting as Ms. Merz is still working on them.

Presentation of Vouchers

There were no vouchers to present.

Open to the Public

Seeing no members of the public present, a motion made by Mr. Wolfe, seconded by Mr. Tatsch to close the meeting to the public was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business for discussion.

New Business

There was no new business for discussion.

Items of Discussion

Education and Health Issues

There were no items for discussion.

Chair Carluccio asked Ms. Merz if the Board of Health has a booth at the 4-H Fair. Ms. Merz said she does not think so. Chair Carluccio said that for many years the Board of Health shared a booth with the Environmental Commission, from about the first year the fair was held at its current location up until about 4 years ago. It was a nice way to reach out to people and provide information such as stormwater education and there were also games for kids based on environmental and board of health topics.

Board Secretary's Report

Ms. Merz stated that the 4-H Fair starts tomorrow, 8/23, at South County Park.

Open to the Public

A motion made by Mr. Tatsch, seconded by Mr. Wolfe to open the meeting to the public was unanimously approved by voice vote. Seeing no members of the public present, a motion made by Mr. Wolfe, seconded by Ms. Serafin to close the meeting to the public was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Correspondence

Chair Carluccio reviewed the correspondence received with the Board. There was no discussion amongst the members. Chair Carluccio stated that Covid is still low throughout New Jersey and but heard there was a very slight increase in cases. She's not sure if it's because people's vaccinations are wearing off or if it's due to a late summer surge but the numbers are up a little bit and hopefully that won't continue.

Mr. Wolfe stated that numbers are up nationwide on Covid hospitalizations but not by an amount enough to be concerning and so Hunterdon County is not unique. It is recommended that people get another booster in September.

Mr. Tatsch added that there is a new booster coming out in the Fall that contains the latest variant so it will be worthwhile.

Adjourn

A motion made by Mr. Wolfe, seconded by Ms. Serafin to adjourn the meeting at 7:40pm was unanimously approved by voice vote.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 26, 2023.

Amy Jo Merz, Board of Health Secretary