# BOARD OF HEALTH – TOWNSHIP OF MENDHAM MEETING MINUTES January 25, 2022 – 7:30 P.M.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Wendy Parrinello, Board Secretary

## STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

Adequate Notice of this meeting of the Board of Health of the Township of Mendham was given as required by the Open Public Meetings Act as follows: Notice was given to the Observer Tribune and Daily Record on February 8, 2021. Notice was posted on the bulletin board in the Township offices and notice was filed with the Township Clerk.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG: Led by Mr. Benjamin Weber

## THOSE IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. Jesse Smith

Mr. Benjamin Weber

Mr. John Atkins, Alternate 1

Ms. Daniela Caporrino, Alternate 2

# NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICE OF PRESIDENT FOR 2022

- 1. Call for Nominations for President Mr. Smith nominates Mr. Weber for President of the Board of Health. Mr. Atkins seconds the motion. Mr. Weber Accepts.
- 2. Close Nominations: Mr. Atkins motions to close nominations. Ms. Caporrino seconds the motion.
- 3. All in favor say, Aye. All say, Aye.

### NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICE OF VICE PRESIDENT FOR 2022

- 1. Call for Nominations for Vice President Mr. Weber nominates Mr. Smith for Vice President of the Board of Health. Mr. Atkins seconds the motion. Mr. Smith accepts.
- 2. All in favor say, Aye. All say, Aye.

## PRESIDENT BENJAMIN WEBER PRESIDING

**RESOLUTION BH 22-1** 

**RESOLUTION BH 22-2** 

**RESOLUTION BH 22-3** 

## **RESOLUTION BH 22-4**

• Mr. Mills covers the Board of Health Resolutions BH 22-1 through BH 22-4 for the 2022 year and January 2023.

- Mr. Weber asks if the economic terms for the engineer are what we've been using in prior years. Mr. Mills suggests that the Resolution be adopted as written and then inquire with Chris Korshalla about the stated hourly rate. Ms. Parrinello will reach out to Mr. Korshalla.
- Mr. Weber would like Resolution BH 22-4 confirmed before signing a contract with Colliers Engineering (Chris Korshalla).
- Ms. Freer points out that in Resolution BH 22-4, Maser Engineering should be changed to Colliers Engineering. Ms. Parrinello will correct the error.
- Mr. Weber moves to approve the four resolutions with the condition that verification of the engineer's fee is confirmed. Mr. Smith seconds the motion.

## **ROLL CALL VOTE - YES**

Mr. Smith

Mr. Weber

Mr. Atkins

Ms. Caporrino

# APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 23, 2021 MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Weber makes a motion to approve the minutes with the technical corrections given. Ms. Caporrino seconds the motion.

**ROLL CALL: YES** 

Mr. Smith

Mr. Weber

Mr. Atkins

Ms. Caporrino

## **NEW BUSINESS**

## **BLOCK 139 LOT 96**

**APPLICANT: Russel Schuren** 

**APPLICATION:** Alteration Expansion/Change in Use – 4 Conifer Drive - Yannaccone, Villa & Aldrich, LLC (septic); Mendham Design (architecture)

- There are no representatives present for the septic project at 4 Conifer Drive.
- Mr. Weber points out that there is no waiver being sought for this project and states that the Board can move forward with the review.
- Mr. Weber asks that Ms. Freer review the memos provided to the Board.
- Ms. Freer states that Mr. Korshalla and herself both recommend approval for the septic system.
- Mr. Smith asks if generators are required with a pump system. Ms. Freer states that there is a battery back up and that there is a pump test and an alarm test.
- Mr. Weber proposes to approve the application as presented. Mr. Smith seconds the motion.

**ROLL CALL: YES** 

Mr. Smith Mr. Weber

Mr. Atkins

Ms. Caporrino

#### HEALTH OFFICER'S MONTHLY REPORT

Reviewed by Ms. Freer. Full reports available in the Board of Health Office

# November, 2021

- Health Officer continues efforts on the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic. Conversations about dates for the Covid-19 vaccine and booster clinic continue to take place with Morris County, Mendham Township Middle School and Atlantic Health Systems.
- Health check visits continue at the Township Municipal building and at the Township Public Library.
- Contact tracing continued through the month of November; however, it was reserved
  for children or individuals 65 years and older, both groups considered high risk. Mr.
  Weber asks if adolescents are considered high risk or more capable of transmitting
  the virus. Ms. Freer explains that adolescents are high risk because they're more
  capable of transmitting the virus because they're generally all together in school
  building rooms.
- One case reported for lead.
- County Health Office received an E. coli failure from a residential property in the Township. Ms. Freer sent an E. coli advisory letter with warnings and guidance for E. coli as well as guidelines from the Environmental Protection Agency.
- The Mendham Township Rabies Clinic was held in early November in partnership with Chester Township and was very successful.

# December, 2021

- Health Officer continued to focus efforts on the Covid-19 pandemic. Municipal administrators and mayors were updated on Covid-19, the Omicron variant and new CDC guidelines and recommended actions.
- Covid-19 immunization clinics were held throughout Morris County. Walk-ins were permitted at the County College of Morris.
- The public health nurse did not attend health checks in Mendham Township for the month of December.
- Mr. Weber asks about the numbers on the CDRSS Statistics Report. Ms. Freer explained that the lower number (3) is often the number of open cases, while the higher number (206) represent closed cases that are no longer being investigated. A total of 209 communicable disease cases were identified in December.

Mr. Weber moves to accept the Health Reports as presented. Ms. Caporrino seconds the motion.

**ROLL CALL - YES** 

Mr. Smith

Mr. Weber

Mr. West

Mr. Atkins

## **Additional Note:**

Dr. Carlos Perez, Health Officer and Cindie Bella, Public Health Nurse, have confirmed with Mendham Township Middle School and Atlantic Health Systems, a date for the Covid-19 Vaccine and Booster clinic, Wednesday, February 16, 2022. Moderna, Pfizer and Johnson & Johnson vaccines will be available for ages 12 and older. Appointments are required although no one will be turned away.

# SUCH MATTERS THAT MAY RIGHTFULLY COME BEFORE THE BOARD

**ADJOURNMENT** 

8:19 PM