

Rocky Hill Board of Health

Minutes of the Meeting on 12/9/2014

Members Present: Beverly Poelstra, M.D. (presiding); Ken Rizzi, MPH; Susan Fisher, V.M.D; Lisbeth Haines M.D.

Also Present: Benjamin Strong, SCDOH Liaison; Mark Pausch PhD, Borough Council Liaison; Dr. Paul Masaba, SCDOH, Edward Zimmerman, Mayor

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Dr. Poelstra, prior notification having been given in compliance with the Open Public Meeting Law, Chapter 231

Review and Approval of the Minutes:

An amended version of the November minutes with the appropriate listing of term dates was approved, with Dr. Haines moving to approve, and Dr. Fisher seconding with all in favor.

Report of Somerset County Department of Health (SCDOH) Liaison

- Buy The Cup establishment has passed their health inspection.
- The case is officially closed on the recent animal bite report
- A second barrier has been added to prevent any possible salt leakage from the salt storage unit near the wellhead.
 - The Board of Health will be monitoring any possible contamination of the well water
 - The inspection of the salt storage meets all qualifications. However, the county has been notified of concerns about possible contamination and the DEP has guaranteed to keep an eye on the unit.

Old Business

1. Public Health Services Agreement Renewal
 - a. As of December 31st, the contract Rocky Hill has with the County is expired.
 - b. The tobacco clause has been struck from the contract.
 - c. Rabies Clinic
 - i. Masaba asserts that the responsibility of the county concerning the procurement of vaccine and personnel for the clinic is implicit in the contract. As it is a state mandate, it is therefore supplied by the county. This was not the case for the rabies clinic this year. The RHBOH had to locate vaccine and assume the cost of the rabies vaccine at the last minute, since the state did not supply vaccine to the county.
 - ii. The amendment proposed by the Board of Health was meant to clear up confusion on this matter and was approved both by the Board of Health and the Rocky Hill council. Thus without this

amendment, the Board of Health does not have the authority to accept this contract.

- d. All other aspects of the contract have been settled.
2. Board Member Terms and Replacements
 - .Mr. Rizzi, Ms.Querec, and Dr. Fisher will all be continuing as members. Dr. Fisher's contract is up for renewal. Drs. Poelstra and Haines will be retiring
 - a. Recommendations of new candidates are currently being considered.
 - b. The Board of Health would like to officially commend Drs. Poelstra, Haines, and Pausch for exemplary service.
3. Air Quality
 - .Due to the weather, no further incident has been reported.
4. Website
 - .The website was updated on November 19th removing the smoking information.
 - a. To be updated with information about the ordinance prohibiting ice skating on any bodies of water in town.

New Business

1. There is no New Business this month.

The next meeting will take place at 7:00 PM, January 13th, 2014.

Dr. Haines made a motion to adjourn at 7:47 pm, Dr. Fisher seconded with all in favor.