

HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

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Monday, January 10, 2011

6:30 p.m.

The January meeting of the Hopewell Township Board of Health was held in the Municipal Building on the above-mentioned date.

Present: Mr. Markulec, Ms. Sandom, Ms. Johnson, Mr. Murphy

Not Present: Mayor Burd

Also Present: Health Officer, Gary Guarino, Jan Bishop, Chairperson, Advisory Board of Health

The regular meeting of the Township Board of Health was called to order by Board of Health Chairperson, Kim Johnson, at 6:30 p.m. in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act. Notice of this meeting has been posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board and forwarded to the Hopewell Valley News and Trenton Times (the official newspapers) on January 6, 2011 P.L. 1975, Chapter 231.

The first order of business was reorganization of the Hopewell Township Board of Health. Ms. Sandom moved to nominate Ms Johnson as Chairman of the Board of Health, Mr. Murphy seconded. Roll was called by the secretary and approved by the Board.

Deputy Mayor Markulec moved to re-appoint Kathy Prassas as Secretary to the Board of Health, for the following three months, due to the temporary budget. Mr. Murphy seconded. Roll was called by the secretary and approved by the Board.

The next item on the agenda was review and approval of the minutes from the November 8, 2010, Board of Health meeting. Deputy Mayor Markulec moved to approve the minutes, Mr. Murphy seconded.

Registration of local board of health. (emailed)

Mr. Guarino requested Board members review and correct the on-line document which reflects name, and contact information for Board members. Deputy Mayor Markulec noted correction to his email address: Markulec@HopewellTwp.org

Monthly reports: Mr. Guarino advised copies of monthly reports will be scanned and emailed to Board of Health members.

Mr. Guarino reported on the following events:

- a. Hopewell Valley Night at Waterfront Park - Thursday June 2, 2011
- b. Hopewell Valley's Night Off - March 2, 2011
- c. Influenza activity report week
- d. NJ Communi-CABLE

Mr. Guarino referenced an article in the New York Times regarding an anti-vaccination report and the effects of vaccinations on children.

Mr. Guarino advised he will not be able to attend the ELSA meeting.

Ms. Jan Bishop, Chairperson of Hopewell Township Advisory Board of Health, reported on the Community Health Needs and Benefit Program advising every 3 years hospitals must submit a needs assessment of the community, setting up programs and educating the community of programs available. Ms. Bishop reviewed the objectives of the current IRS requirements for the Community Health Needs Assessments for tax exempt hospitals. Ms. Bishop explained hospitals must submit a report every year to IRS reporting what the hospital has done to benefit the community.

There being no further business, Mr. Markulec moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:55, Mr. Murphy seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Prassas
Secretary