

**TOWNSHIP OF UNION
BOARD OF HEALTH
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 14, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Board of Health, Township of Union, New Jersey was called to order at 6:07 P.M. via conference call by Vice President Porter. The Secretary/Health Officer called the roll as follows:

Jackie Carter, Pres.	Absent
Stefan Erwin, Esq.	Present
Yvette Gibbons, Esq.	"
Teresa Palencia	"
Andrew Porter, Vice Pres.	"
Ellyn Smith	Excused
Mary Lynn Williams	"
Michele Antley	Present
William Strazza, BOH Attorney	"

Vice President Porter opened the meeting by stating this is a regular meeting of the Board of Health via conference call due to Governors order on Social Distancing.

Minutes of the regular meeting of March 10th were approved following a motion by Board Member Palencia, and second by Vice President Porter. Board Member Erwin, Esq, Board Member Gibbons, Esq, and At Board Member Antley abstain.

The March reports of the Health Officer, Registrar of Vital Statistics, Registered Environmental Health Specialists, Union/Kenilworth Animal Control, Financial, and Holy Redeemer were unanimously approved based on a motion by Board Member Palencia and second by Alt Board Member Antley. All aye.

Under old business, the Secretary/Health Officer provided local Covid-19 updates as follows: local statistics, different variants and its origination, hybrid school schedule, and J & J vaccine temporarily on hold. Provided number of residents attended the Saliva Test clinic held at the Vauxhall Meeting Center, next upcoming event is scheduled for April 20th from 9am to 11am. As per, Board of Health Attorney Strazza, there is nothing to report under Black Diamond Billiards at this time.

Under new business, the Secretary/Health Officer mentioned the Township currently undergoing recodification. This entails revisiting Ordinances for redundancy and renumbering, in order to accommodate additional ordinances. The Secretary/Health Officer briefly discussed proposed changes for future Board approval.

In continuance under new business, the Secretary/Health Officer informed the Board in lieu of not being able to conduct a rabies clinic this year due to Covid-19, Ashley Rodriguez, Animal Attendant along with Nancy Rodriguez, Administrative Assistant proposed adoption/fundraising event to be held in front of the Municipal Building on May 1st between 12pm-5pm, and May 2nd between 1am – 4pm. Vendors from our Farmers market will be participating in coordination with Natalie DaSilva, Public Information Officer. At this time, Vice President Porter wanted to share his positive experience while visiting the animal shelter. It was clean, organized, and odorless.

At this time, the Secretary/Health Officer proposed for the next Board of Health meeting to be held in person at the Vauxhall Meeting Center on Russell St and Hilton Ave. Public notice will be given as per Open Public meeting law.

Under correspondence, none at this time.

Vice President Porter requested a motion for payment of bills. A motion was made by Board Member Palencia and second by Board Member Gibbons, Esq. The motion carried a roll call vote as follows:

<i>Michele Antley, Alt</i>	Aye
<i>Stefan Erwin, Esq.</i>	"
<i>Yvette Gibbons</i>	"
<i>Teresa Palencia</i>	"
<i>Andrew Porter, Vice Pres.</i>	"

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:29 PM on motion by Board Member Erwin, Esq and second by Board Member Gibbons. All aye.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marconi A. Gapas

Board Secretary/Health Officer