

CHATHAM BOROUGH BOARD OF HEALTH
February 12, 2015 7:00 p.m.

The Chatham Borough Board of Health meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m., in Room 313, upper level, Chatham Municipal Building.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10: 4-6 et seq., adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by including same in the Annual Notice, copies of which were posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board, on the main floor of the Municipal Building, filed in the office of the Borough Clerk, emailed to the Chatham Courier.

Names	Present	Absent
Lisa DeRosa	X	
Dr. Norman Schaeffer		X
Rita Marts, R.N.	X	
Mary Ann McCabe	X	
Micki Chaput	X	
Kay Kaiser, R.N.		X
Sally Myers		X
Council Member Holman		X
Lisa Gulla	X	
Lucille Boland, R.N.		X
Tamica Trotman		X

Also present was Ben Samura, Environmental Specialist for the Board.

Mr. Samura summarized his January 2015 Report.

On other matters, Ms. Gulla discussed the recent cat problem on River Road. A complaint had been made by a River Road business owner about the large number of stray cats on his particular property, causing unclean conditions. The cats were spilling over from a neighboring property. Ms. Gulla worked with Police Officer Kyle Beasley, Steve Williams, Assistant Administrator of Chatham Borough, and Chris Nash whose family owns the property over-run by cats. Mr. Nash's father had initially taken care of only a few stray cats, getting them neutered and having them given the necessary shots, however the cat population still multiplied. Mr. Williams had contacted St. Hubert's Animal Shelter. Trapping of the cats has started. There are at least 40 cats on the property.

Ms. Gulla commented that she and the Chatham Police Department have good communications when animal issues arise.

Board members discussed the current contract with St. Hubert's Animal Control. Mrs. DeRosa will speak with Borough Administrator Bob Falzarano and Assistant Administrator Steve Williams about the renewal of the contract.

Ebola Virus

Ms. Gulla reported that active monitoring is still going on for Ebola, even though it's quieted down.

Measles Immunization

Ms. Gulla reported that the Health Department has recently sent out a web-base on the immunizations on measles. Chatham Borough has 25 pre-school students who have not been inoculated. Twenty-two students have asked for religions exemptions. Ms. Gulla reviewed the grade school numbers for Chatham Borough with regard to inoculations. Ms. Gulla explained that the school nurses have to know which students were not inoculated. Charts have to be maintained showing which children were not inoculated.

Flu Clinic

Ms. Gulla asked the Board members if they wanted to hold the September Flu Clinic at St. Patrick's Parish Center. Mrs. DeRosa will contact Peg Gentile, the church secretary, to check on the availability of the Parish Center on September 26th.

Reorganization Resolutions

The Board unanimously approved the following Resolutions by voice vote:

Resolution #15-01: Establishing the Chatham Borough Board of Health's Annual Meeting Schedule for the Year 2015.

Resolution #15-02: Designating the Official Newspapers for the Chatham Borough Board of Health's Legal Notices.

Resolution #15-03: Election of the Chatham Borough Board of Health Officers for 2015 was tabled. It will be decided on at a future meeting when more Board members are present.

Resolution #15-04: Appointing the Staff Personnel for 2015 was also tabled. The Animal Control Officer is still under discussion.

On other matters, the meeting minutes of December 11, 2014 (Resolution #15-05) were approved as submitted. Also the meeting minutes of January 8, 2015 were approved, even though a legal forum wasn't reached on that particular night.

At 8:00 p.m. the meeting adjourned.

The next Board of Health meeting will be held on Thursday, March 12, 2015 at 7 p.m. in Room 212, Middle Level, Chatham Borough Municipal Building.

Respectfully submitted:

Liz Holler
Recording Secretary

