

CHATHAM BOROUGH BOARD OF HEALTH
 September 11, 2014 7:00 p.m.

The Chatham Borough Board of Health meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in Room 212, middle 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	
Micki Chaput	X	
Rita Marts, R.N.		X
Mary Ann McCabe	X	
Lucille Boland, R.N.	X	
Dr. Schaefer		X
Kay Kaiser, R.N.	X	
Sally Myers	X	
Council Member Holman		X
Lisa Gulla	X	
Tamica Trotman	X	

The meeting minutes of the June 12, 2014 Board of Health meeting were approved as submitted.

Discussion Items

Mrs. DeRosa welcomed Health Educator Christine Shesler from the Madison Health Department.

Ms. Shesler reminded Board members that the Borough Flu Clinic will be held on September 27, 2014, 9 a.m. to 11:00. Ms. Shesler showed the flyer printed for the Flu Clinic. Past attendees to the Flu Clinic have been alerted to the new location and an earlier date. Board members offered to distribute the flyers to stores and places of worship.

Borough employees will receive their flu shots on October 16th. The Board of Education will be sending their employees to Rite Aid for their shots.

Ms. Shesler showed a poster of an upcoming Health & Wellness event. Ms. Lauren Zurich, an intern, will be giving a presentation on how to keep children active and healthy. Ms. Shesler passed around an excellent paper Ms. Zurich wrote on this topic, entitled "Keep your Kids Active".

Ms. Shesler reported on the Work Site Wellness program. This program will be part of the Mayor's Wellness campaign. A conference call will be held on September 23rd. E-mail alerts will be sent. Work is currently being done on a Community Health Survey. The Survey will be sent to people on our distribution list.

Ms. Shesler also distributed a copy of a Public Health notice entitled: "Please help us learn more about your health concerns." This notice explains how to fill out the Madison Area Health Survey or use the QR code imprinted on the notice. Responses, needed by October 15th, will help the Madison Health Department plan future health services and programs. The more people who participate in the survey, the better. Hard copies will also be available. Copies will be available for visitors at the upcoming Flu Clinic.

Ms. Shesler reported that Chatham Township now has a permanent drop-off box installed for unused medications. There are 19 such boxes in Morris County. They provide residents with a socially and environmentally responsible method of disposing of old or unused meds.

Mrs. Kaiser suggested that Hospice should be notified of these drop-off boxes. Ms. Shesler agreed, suggesting that would be a project for an intern.

Ms. Shesler reported that the first Healthy Bones class was held at the Senior Center. It's hard finding leaders for these classes. This class is mostly for people over the age of 55. This autumn a class will be held in Springfield during the evenings.

On other matters, Ms. Trotman and Ms. Gulla discussed the rat problem on Chatham Street, near the brook, this summer. Residents from #108- 124 Chatham Street believed rats were on their properties. Ms. Trotman had investigated the properties, and had spoken to the concerned neighbors. She also had distributed a letter advising property owners on what to look for if you believe your property has a rat problem. Bill Faitoute, now an independent contractor for extermination, was sent out to exterminate a rat/pipe situation in that part of town. Deputy Clerk Cathy Baldwin and Borough Administrator Bob Falzarano were very helpful with this rat situation. They made sure that letters were sent out only to the targeted neighborhoods who believed they had rats.

Mrs. Gulla reported that Ben did all the grease trap inspections this summer. All restaurants have been inspected.

Ms. Gulla gave an update on the Ercalano matter. Board members discussed how to resolve this problem.

Next week the Chatham Township Shop Rite will hold its "Bagging Hunger" program. Town officials will take turns bagging groceries. Monica Hansen, nutritionist for the Shop Rite, will be participating in the Mayor's Wellness Campaign, at this Saturday's Farmers Market.

Mrs. DeRosa asked if at least one volunteer from the Board of Health be present at this year's Flu Clinic. Two members expressed interest and will e-mail Ms. DeRosa with a definite answer.

Mrs. Gulla discussed the different dosages that will be given at the Flu Clinic.

At 8:40 p.m. the meeting adjourned.

The next Board of Health meeting will be held on October 9, 2014, 7 p.m., Room 212, Chatham Municipal Building.

Respectfully submitted:

Liz Holler

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Recording Secretary