

# BOROUGH OF WOODCLIFF LAKE BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 13, 2022 4:30 PM

### CALL TO ORDER

Notice of this meeting, in accordance with the "Open Public Meetings Law, 1975, C. "231", was posted at the Borough Hall, and two newspapers, <u>The Record</u> and <u>The Ridgewood News</u>, were notified.

### **OATH OF OFFICE**

• Raphael Maurrasse

### **ROLL CALL**

John Frey, Board of Health President asked for a roll call. Members John Frey, Josephine Higgins, Michelle Micali, Ina Palatnek, Dr. Steven Sperber and Raphael Maurrasse were present. Board of Health Secretary Debbie Dakin and Kristin Caperino from the Bergen County Board of Health were also present. Dr. Mary Clark was absent.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MOTION to approve the Minutes of April 19, 2022, was made by John Frey, second by Dr. Steven Sperber and approved by John Frey, Dr. Steven Sperber, Michelle Micali, Josephine Higgins, and Ina Palatnek. Dr. Clark was absent, and Ralphael Maurrasse abstained.

## SANITARIAN'S REPORT

Kristin Caperino went over the Sanitarian's reports for May, June, July, and August. There were a few new establishments in Woodcliff Lake such as Whole Foods and Cambridge Wines at 500 Chestnut Ridge Road and Roy's Café at 300 Tice Boulevard. Mr. Frey asked Ms. Caperino if there were more issues at the Hilton. In the past, they have had a lot of issues with their indoor pool.

Ms. Caperino stated that there was only one issue with the indoor pool, and they were working on it. There was a bat in one of homes of a resident. They were able to catch the bat and assess it. Thankfully, it was negative. Ms. Caperino Ms. Caperino stated that they went out to 14 Ginny Drive for a complaint of mosquitos from a stagnant pool. At the time the homeowner told Ms. Caperino's staff that they were going to demolish the pool and then suddenly they decided to keep the pool. They have not taken care of the pool and the water is green. There is currently another complaint regarding the same issue. Ms. Caperino's staff will go out and take another look since this is an ongoing issue. They will issue summonses if needed. Mr. Frey asked about the problem on Woodcliff Lake with the smell of the horses. Ms. Caperino stated that it was taken care of.

MOTION to approve the Sanitarian's Reports was made by Dr. Steven Sperber, second by Ina Palatnek and unanimously approved.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Cash Receipts Report

Clerk Dakin stated that there have been eighteen marriage licenses so far this year. The State has waived fees for marriage licenses from August 1, 2022 to July 31, 2023.

Animal Control Reports

Mr. Frey stated that he sent everyone a table of all the reports to make it easier. Michelle Micali asked about the kittens at 30 Maria Road. Ms. Caperino stated that she will investigate the matter and get back to us. Michelle Micali stated that she has seen an uptake of a lot of bats. There are numerous people coming into the hospital for the rabies vaccine. Her recommendation is that when you barbeque, close your door. Bats will sneak into your home when you leave a door open, only if its for a few second. Mr. Frey asked if anyone wanted to write a column on bats for the next newsletter. Raphael Maurrasse stated that he thought bats were just a summer thing because most of the bat houses must be at a hot temperature. Michelle Micali stated that she has heard that people often encounter them when they go into their attics to get down the Christmas decorations. They are hiding out and staying warm and then they are disturbed and woken up.

MOTION to approve the Animal Control Reports was made by Josephine Higgins, second by Raphael Maurrasse and unanimously approved.

Mr. Frey stated that he was able to contact Park Ridge Water and they no longer will be sending us monthly reports of the status of the different wells that they used to send. Dr. Sperber asked how we are going to know if the well is not compliant. Mr. Frey replied that he will call them again.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

MOTION to open to the public was made by Josephine Higgins, second by Ina Palatnek and unanimously approved.

No comments.

MOTION to close to the public was made by Ina Palatnek, second by Michelle Micali and unanimously approved.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION to adjourn was made by Josephine Higgins, second by Raphael Maurrasse and unanimously approved by voice call vote.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:10 PM.

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Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Dakin, RMC, CMR

Borough Clerk