



**BOROUGH OF
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MINUTES REGULAR MEETING WALLINGTON BOARD OF HEALTH JANUARY 17, 2024

THE JANUARY 17TH, 2024 MEETING OF THE WALLINGTON BOARD OF HEALTH WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT DONNA TOMKO AT 7:06 P.M. AT THE CIVIC CENTER CITING THAT THE RULES OF THE SUNSHINE LAW WERE FOLLOWED WITH RESPECT TO ADVERTISING SAID MEETING.

FLAG SALUTE.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: PATRICIA BARNAS, BARBARA PINTO, MARYANN PALMER, DONNA TOMKO, ROSEMARY SANDOR

ABSENT: MAGDALENA THOMPSON, NANCY CHIRLO

ALSO PRESENT: MARTA GOLDYN, BOARD SECRETARY/CMR

RUBY PARRA, REHS

JON SONTZ, ESQ, BOH ATTORNEY

COUNCILWOMAN BEATA BALIK – BOARD LIAISON

OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED TO DONNA TOMKO BY BOARD OF HEALTH ATTORNEY JOHN SONTZ.

REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS SUSPENDED FOR RE-ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD.

MOTION WAS MADE BY PALMER AND SECONDED BY BARNAS TO HAVE SECRETARY TAKE OVER MEETING AS PRO-TERM.

ROLL CALL: AYE: BARNAS, PINTO, PALMER, TOMKO, SANDOR

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PINTO AND SECONDED BY SANDOR TO NOMINATE **DONNA TOMKO AS PRESIDENT.**

ROLL CALL: AYE: BARNAS, PINTO, PALMER, TOMKO, SANDOR

VICE PRESIDENT NOMINATION WAS TABLED DUE TO AN ABSENCE OF NOMINATED MEMBER.



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THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS WERE APPROVED “EN MASS” “NUNC PRO TUNC”:

- MID- BERGEN HEALTH COMMISSION TO SUPPLY COMMUNITY PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE FOR 2024.
- HARP/HUMC TO SUPPLY COMMUNITY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SERVICE FOR 2024.
- COUNTY OF BERGEN TO SUPPORT ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES FOR 2024.
- JOHN SONTZ, ESQ AS BOARD OF HEALTH ATTORNEY FOR YEAR 2024.

MOTIONED BY TOMKO AND SECONDED BY PALMER.

ROLL CALL: AYE: BARNAS, PINTO, PALMER, TOMKO, SANDOR

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

PALMER MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER 13, 2023 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES AS TYPED. SECONDED BY SANDOR.

ROLL CALL: AYE: BARNAS, PINTO, PALMER, TOMKO, SANDOR

HEARING OF CITIZENS

NO CITIZENS WISHING TO BE HEARD.

JENIFFER SAAVEDRA, A FIELD MARKETER FOR MEDICAL ESSENTIAL DIAGNOSTICS, PRESENTED HER COMPANY'S SERVICES AND A “SAVE MY LIFE” INITIATIVE. THE FOCUS WAS ON PROVIDING COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL PHYSICALS TO FIRST RESPONDERS, STATE, AND FEDERAL WORKERS THROUGH INSURANCE COVERAGE. THE SERVICES INCLUDED CARDIOVASCULAR AND PULMONARY HEALTH, CANCER SCREENING, VITAMIN D DEFICIENCY CHECKS, AUTOIMMUNE DISEASE ASSESSMENTS, AND CALCIUM SCREENING. THE PROGRAM AIMED TO OFFER EFFICIENCY WITH MINIMAL WAIT TIMES AND THE ABILITY FOR PARTICIPANTS TO BRING UP TO TWO FAMILY MEMBERS.

COUNCILWOMAN BALIK INQUIRED ABOUT THE PROGRAM'S INTERACTION WITH EXISTING PHYSICAL EXAMS, SPECIFICALLY REGARDING INSURANCE COVERAGE. JENIFFER CLARIFIED THAT THEY OPERATE INDEPENDENTLY, CONDUCTING THEIR OWN DIAGNOSIS THROUGH A QUESTIONNAIRE AND HISTORY DISCUSSION. THE DISCUSSION ADDRESSED THE NUANCES OF USING EXISTING PHYSICAL DIAGNOSES FOR THEIR PROGRAM, WITH A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS AND THE NEED FOR THE PROPER DIAGNOSIS TO COVER SPECIFIC TESTS.



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COUNCILWOMAN BALIK SOUGHT CLARIFICATION ON HOW THE PROGRAM HANDLES REFERRALS AND INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR TESTS. JENIFFER EXPLAINED THEIR PROCESS AND THE ON-SITE DOCTORS' ROLE IN DETERMINING NECESSARY TESTS BASED ON THE INDIVIDUAL'S MEDICAL HISTORY.

MARYANN PALMER SHARED HER EXPERIENCE WITH DIAGNOSTIC TESTS FOR CARDIOLOGY AND QUESTIONED THE PROGRAM'S APPROACH TO DIAGNOSES. JENIFFER ACKNOWLEDGED THE COMPLEXITY AND SUGGESTED FURTHER COMMUNICATION TO PROVIDE A DETAILED RESPONSE.

REPORTS:

- HEALTH OFFICERS REPORT:

INFLUENZA AND COVID-19

THE COVID ACTIVITY LEVEL INCREASED TO MODERATE IN BERGEN COUNTY AS OF DECEMBER 30, 2023.
RSV CASES CONTINUE TO DECLINE.

THE INFLUENZA ACTIVITY LEVEL INCREASED TO HIGH IN BERGEN COUNTY AND THE REST OF NEW JERSEY. NO PEDIATRIC DEATHS OCCURRED DUE TO INFLUENZA IN NEW JERSEY AND DEATHS DUE TO PNEUMONIA AND INFLUENZA ARE BELOW THE NEW JERSEY AND NATIONAL FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE.

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES:

THE FOLLOWING CONFIRMED AND PROBABLE COMMUNICABLE DISEASES WERE IDENTIFIED IN WALLINGTON:

2023	2022	2021	2020
COVID = 273	COVID = 1,093	COVID = 1,478	COVID = 792
Influenza = 59	Influenza = 180	Influenza = 9	Influenza = 60
Food Borne Illnesses = 7	Food Borne Illnesses = 5	Food Borne Illnesses = 4	FBI = 4
Hepatitis C = 1	Hepatitis C = 7	Hepatitis C = 10	Hepatitis C = 6
Lyme disease = 20	Lyme disease = 12		Lyme disease = 1
Hepatitis B = 1	Hepatitis B = 3	Hepatitis B = 3	
	Legionellosis = 1		Legionellosis = 1
Streptococcus pneumoniae = 1		Streptococcus pneumoniae = 1	
		Multisystem Inflammatory Syn = 1	
			West Nile virus = 1
		Streptococcus pyogenes = 1	



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- **REGISTERED ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST REPORT**

a. **RUBY PARRA REHS:**

OPERATIONAL ESTABLISHMENTS:

BAGEL SUPREME
WALLINGTON PIZZERIA & ITALIAN KITCHEN
TOTAL OPERATIONAL: 2

CONDITIONAL ISSUES:

CK FOOD MART - 1ST REINSPECTION; PENDING ISSUES, TWO SUMMONSES PENDING.
WALLINGTON FARMERS MARKET - OPERATIONAL WITH ISSUES.
FOOD MART - OPERATIONAL WITH VARIOUS ISSUES.
TOTAL CONDITIONAL: 3

SPOT CHECK FINDINGS:

SEVEN ELEVEN - DUMPSTER AND PRODUCT ISSUES.
MIA'S CATERING - UNDER PERMIT PROCEDURE.
WALLINGTON NEWS - PERMANENTLY CLOSED.
BELLA CIAO PIZZA - CONSTANTLY OR PERMANENTLY CLOSED.
TOTAL SPOT CHECKS: 4

COMPLAINT RESOLUTIONS:

COCKROACH COMPLAINT - RESOLVED.
POOL COMPLAINT - PENDING SUMMONS.
RECURRENT HOT WATER COMPLAINT - RESOLVED.
TOTAL COMPLAINTS: 3

ANIMAL BITES:



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1 REPORTED DOG BITE; SECOND BITE FOR THE PET IN 2023. BERGEN COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL INVOLVED FOR OBSERVATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUTURE OUTINGS WITH A MUZZLE.

TOTAL ANIMAL BITES: 1

b. HALINA DABROWSKA, REHS:

CONSULTATIONS:

ARENA THAI CUISINE (457 PATERSON AVE): 2

BARBERSHOP (80 UNION BLVD): 2

TOTAL CONSULTATIONS: 4

INSPECTIONS:

POLKA DOT: 1 (ROUTINE INSPECTION - POSTED SATISFACTORY)

WALLINGTON DINER: 1 (SPOT CHECK INSPECTION - VIOLATIONS ABATED)

TENDERS: 1 (SPOT CHECK INSPECTION - VIOLATIONS ABATED)

WALLINGTON EXCHANGE: 1 (ROUTINE INSPECTION - POSTED SATISFACTORY)

CHINA WOK: 1 (SPOT CHECK INSPECTION - FOLLOW-UP NEEDED)

TOTAL INSPECTIONS: 5

DOG BITES:

FOLLOW-UPS ON BITE INCIDENTS: 2

RELEASED QUARANTINES: 1

OFFICE WORK:

FULL DAYS COVERING OFFICE: 4

BOARD OF HEALTH MEETINGS:

ATTENDED: 1



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PLAN REVIEWS:

BARBERSHOP (80 UNION BLVD): 1

COMPLAINTS:

FOODBORNE ILLNESS COMPLAINTS: 1

FOOD POISONING QUESTIONNAIRES: 1

- BOARD OF HEALTH/REGISTRAR DEPOSIT REPORT:

<u>Wallington BOH/Registrar REPORTS – JANUARY 2024 BOH meeting</u>							
		For	Month:	DECEMBER			
<u>Registrar Deposit Report</u>				<u>#sold</u>		<u>amount</u>	
Burial Permit						-	
Death copies							
Birth copies							
Marriage copies				18		\$180.00	
Marriage licenses				7		\$21.00	
NJ state				7		\$175.00	
					<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$376.00</u>	
					<u>EDRS</u>	<u>\$80.00</u>	
<u>DOG/CAT Deposit Report</u>							
Dogs #	344					\$10.00	
Cats #							
					<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$10.00</u>	
<u>License Clerk Deposit Report</u>							
Retail Merchant						\$0.00	
F&D/Restaurant						\$0.00	
Retail Food						\$0.00	
Catering						\$0.00	



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Milk-Store					\$0.00		
Beauty/Nails					\$0.00		
Ice Machine					\$0.00		
Pet Grooming					\$0.00		
Bakery					\$0.00		
Pigeons					\$0.00		
Tanning					\$0.00		
Mobile					\$0.00		
Wholesale					\$0.00		
Laundromat					\$0.00		
Temporary Event					\$0.00		
				<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>		
<u>BOH Deposit Report</u>							
Handicap Parking				<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$50.00</u>		

- ATTORNEY REPORT:

EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER MEETING.

MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE REPORTS BY BARNAS. SECONDED BY PINTO.

ROLL CALL: AYE: BARNAS, PINTO, PALMER, TOMKO, SANDOR.

OLD BUSINESS:

NONE.

NEW BUSINESS:

NONE.

ADJOURNMENT:



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THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD, PINTO MOTIONED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:35 P.M.

SECONDED BY SANDOR.

ROLL CALL: AYE: UNANIMOUS

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Marta Goldyn

BOARD OF HEALTH SECRETARY