

**BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING  
PUBLIC WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES  
THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 2022**

Steven Clarke, President of the Board of Health (BOH) called the Board of Health meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Steven Clarke led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Members in attendance:** Steven Clarke, DC, Devaleena Sen, R.PH, Lynne Spreen-Raffo, RN, Linda Brock, RN, and Mayor Rudy Boonstra, Township Committee Liaison

**Staff in attendance:** Cindy Risseeuw, Secretary; Bergen County Department of Health (BCDOH) Staff: Laura Folco, Chief Registered Environmental Health Specialist (REHS)

**Absent:** Sau Yan Yee, MD, Donna Garbaccio, RN, Michael Sparozic, R.PH, and Casey Colaneri

Cindy Risseeuw, Secretary, read the Open Public Work Session statement: "This Regular Work Session Meeting of the Wyckoff Board of Health is now in session. In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting appears on our Annual Schedule of meetings. A copy of said Annual Schedule has been posted on the Bulletin Board in Memorial Town Hall; a copy has been filed with the Municipal Clerk, The Record, The Ridgewood News and the North Jersey Herald and News – all newspapers having general circulation throughout the Township of Wyckoff. At least 48 hours prior to this meeting the agenda thereof was similarly posted, filed, and mailed to said newspapers. Formal action may be taken at this meeting."

**Approval of May 12, 2022, Public Business Meeting and Public Work Session Minutes:**

The approval of the May 12, 2022, meeting minutes; motioned Linda Brock, Second Steven Clarke; Devaleena Sen and Lynne Spreen-Raffo abstained.

**Report of REHS:**

Laura Folco reviewed the REHS log.

**Report of Board Members:**

None.

**Public Comment:**

None

## **New and Unfinished Business:**

Jennifer Martin from the Wyckoff Ambulance Corps attended the meeting. Jennifer spoke about ambulance calls in which there is a need from the Township for social work consultations. Jennifer also stated that 25% of all ambulance calls are to the Christian Healthcare Center (CHCC). Many of these calls are failure to thrive and CHCC should be using a paid ambulance service to transport patients, not the volunteer ambulance squad.

Lynne Spreen-Raffo discussed the issue of residents struggling with food insecurity. Lynne stated that both young and older families (from 30- to 80-year-olds) as well as the working population are struggling with food costs. It is not just low-income families struggling at this time. The Center for Food Action in Mahwah is available and are accepting donations.

Dr. Clarke reminded members of the following Open Public Records Act (OPRA) Law requirements. Board members must include the following language on all memos to board members:

“The Board/Commission Secretary or Liaison shall be included in any email a Township Committee appointed Board/Commission member sends. All emails are subject to the Open Public Records Act and as such, may be requested by citizens. (This requirement is applicable to all members of the Wyckoff Planning Board, Zoning Board of Adjustment, Library Board of Trustees, Recreation and Parks Commission, Board of Health, Environmental Commission, Shade Tree Commission, Design Review Advisory Committee, and any other ad-hock committee regardless if it is sent from your personal/business computer or personal/business data phone.) There should be no expectation that the content of emails exchanged with municipal officials and employees will remain private.”

Devaleena Sen motioned to close the Public Work session; seconded, Lynne Spreen-Raffo; all members present voting affirmatively.

The Board of Health Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.