

**BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
PUBLIC WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, MAY 13, 2021**

Steve Clarke, President of the Board of Health (BOH) called the Board of Health meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. via the ZOOM Video Conferencing Application.

Steve Clarke led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members in attendance: Steven Clarke, DC, Sau Yan Yee, MD, Lynne Spreen-Raffo, RN, Devaleena Sen, R.PH, Linda Brock, RN, and Casey Colaneri

Staff in attendance: Cindy Risseeuw, Secretary; Bergen County Department of Health (BCDOH) Staff: Michelle Murati, Registered Environmental Health Specialist (REHS)

Absent: Donna Garbaccio, RN, Michael Sparozic, R.PH, Peter Melchionne, Township Committee Liaison

Reading of the Zoom Statement and Open Public Meetings Act Public Work Session statement:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act NJSA 10:4-6 et seq., and in consideration of Executive Order #103, issued by Governor Murphy on March 9, 2020, declaring a State of Emergency in the State of New Jersey, the Planning Board of the Township of Wyckoff does hereby notify the public that to protect the health, safety and welfare of our citizens, the meeting of the Board of Health of the Township of Wyckoff scheduled for Thursday, May 13, 2021 will be conducted virtually through the Zoom Video Conferencing Application and it will be live-streamed on the Township of Wyckoff's YouTube channel. The Work Session is scheduled for 7:30 and the Public Business meeting will begin at 8:00 pm.

These measures are implemented to allow members of the public to observe the meeting via live streaming and to provide the ability to comment during the periods for public comment during the meeting through Zoom telephone call in technology. Joining the meeting by telephone will be utilized as security against the sharing of inappropriate video content.

General instructions regarding access to the meeting is posted on the Wyckoff web site's home page at www.wyckoff-nj.com as a "News" item.

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 March 11, 2021 Public Business Meeting and Public Work Session Minutes:

The approval of the March 11, 2021 meeting minutes; motioned Lynne Spreen-Raffo, Second Linda Brock

The approval of the April 1, 2021 meeting minutes; motioned Lynne Spreen-Raffo, Second: Linda Brock

Report of REHS:

Michelle Murati reviewed the REHS log.

Report of Board Members:

None.

Public Comment:

None

New and Unfinished Business:

COVID-19

Dr. Clarke stated that the New Jersey Immunization Information System website www.njiis.nj.gov is available which can be used to submit a request to get a copy of your vaccination card if misplaced.

Dr. Clarke stated that the State of New Jersey has corrected the death count due to COVID-19. A total of 10,422 deaths were reported twice.

Dr. Clarke noted that 54% of the state of New Jersey has been vaccinated. Travel on planes, trains and buses still require masks as well as healthcare facilities. Dr. Clarke spoke with Kerry Postma who stated numbers are decreasing in the Wyckoff Public Schools (1 case reported last week; no cases reported this week).

Guest Speaker

Norine Mohle, PhD spoke to the Board of Health regarding the impact of COVID-19 on mental health. Dr. Mohle discussed mental health (1) prior to COVID-19, (2) Part 1 – Prior to vaccine and (3) Part 2 – Vaccine readily available. Dr. Mohle stated that Telehealth has allowed continued access to treatment during the pandemic and stated she would like to see it continue. Ms. Spreen-Raffo stated that Telehealth has allow individuals 18-30 years of age to seek treatment during the pandemic. Dr. Yee noted that Telehealth is missing the personal touch.

Stigma Free

Ms. Brock attended and reported on the April 21, 2021, Zoom Stigma Free Meeting.

Late Fees

The Board of Health discussed the Township Food Handler's who have not paid their annual fee including the late fee. The board agreed the Township of Wyckoff has an ordinance in place regarding the payment of Food Handler's fees as well as late fees. Notices will be sent to those who are delinquent.

Food at Memorial Day Parade

Linda Brock contacted the Wyckoff Parade Committee regarding food at the Memorial Day Parade. The Parade Committee informed Ms. Brock that absolutely no food is to be sold at the parade.

Well Child Program

Ms. Risseeuw stated there was nothing new to report this month.

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."

Linda Brock motioned to close the Public session; seconded, Lynne Spreen-Raffo; all members present voting affirmatively.

The Board of Health Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.