

BOUND BROOK BOARD OF HEALTH
MEETING
THURSDAY, JUNE 11, 2015
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by President Lisa Slater at 6:00 P.M. with the following statement:

“This meeting held in compliance with the Open Public Meeting Law in that the requirements of the Law have been met by the Annual Meeting Notice being forwarded to the Courier News and posted in the Municipal Building on January 12, 2015.”

ROLL CALL:

The following members were present: Barbara Lobman, Angela Robinson, Lisa Slater, and Alberto Torregroza.

The following were also present: Kevin G. Sumner, Health Officer and Nancy Lanner, REHS.

PUBLIC SESSION:

No public was present. Public portion of meeting closed.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

A. Robinson moved for acceptance of the minutes of the February 12, 2015 meeting. Motion seconded by A. Torregroza. All in favor.

COMMISSION:

K. Sumner advised the members that the Commission has not met and there is no news to report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Members reviewed the activities reports for February, March, April, and May 2015.

A review of the reports prompted discussion on the following items:

- Active Monitoring – K. Sumner explained the process of monitoring residents for 21 days following a return from one of the West African countries impacted by Ebola. He further explained that all of those monitored by the Commission have been very cooperative.
- Ice Cream Zone – This is a new ice cream store on Main Street. N. Lanner reported that the owner has done a lot of improvements and made it very kid friendly, selling ice cream, hot dogs, cotton candy, popcorn, etc.
- Outback Saloon – Summonses were issued for not obtaining a license to operate. They plead guilty. This process was complicated by the owner being deceased.
- New Food Establishment – Ice Cream Zone, Farmer’s Market, Ray’s Bistro, and El Tumi is now El Reconsito with new owners. It was also noted that 25 Burgers had done a lot of work prior to the second fire.
- N. Lanner reported that the weekend events and fairs represent a significant challenge, particularly due to scheduling and her part-time status. For example, the Hot Rods event now has 12 food establishments attending and will require a lot of time (hours) for inspection.

B. Immunization Support Resolution – K. Sumner presented a draft resolution in support of strengthening the language for exemptions to the mandate for childhood immunization for admission in school. Members were fully in support of the resolution but agreed the resolution should be signed and presented by the President. A. Robinson moved to adopt resolution and forward it to parties cited with second by B. Lobman. All were in favor. K. Sumner will change the signatory of the Resolution, send to President L. Slater for signature, and then distribute.

C. Shaping NJ grant – K. Sumner explained to members that Bound Brook is the beneficiary of a small grant to Robert Wood Johnson Somerset dba Healthier Somerset. The grant is supporting nutrition education in the Borough as well as advocating for a complete streets adoption, which, if passed, will result in bike racks being supplied to the Borough to promote physical activity. Manville and Somerville are also involved in the grant.

ADDENDUM:

Members discussed the possibility of raising the age to purchase tobacco products to 21. K. Sumner agreed he would get a copy of the Princeton ordinance for their review. He also reported that North Plainfield was considering this, but local businesses expressed concern as patrons would just go to businesses in neighboring towns and this would negatively affect their operations.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business before the Board, A. Robinson moved to adjourn at 6:50 P.M., seconded by B. Lobman. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin G. Sumner
Health Officer