

BOROUGH OF WOODCLIFF LAKE

**BOARD OF HEALTH
JUNE 19, 2007
REGULAR MEETING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

The meeting was called to order by President Elaine Metlitz at 7:45 pm, according to the Open Public Meetings Act.

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Elaine Metlitz
Dr. Gerhard Haas
Dr. Mary Clark
Dr. Steven Sperber
John Frey
Janet Levine
Christine LaPaglia
Councilman Fred Singer
Secretary Fariba Negahban
Sanitarian, Jennifer Pontillo

MINUTES:

The minutes for the May meeting were reviewed. There were no questions or comments. There was a motion made and accepted to approve the minutes for the month of May.

SANITARIAN'S REPORT:

Dr. Haas asked a question about food borne illness on May 3rd, at the Woodcliff Lake Hilton. Jennifer said that even if there is one person complaining about possible food borne illness it would be investigated. Dr. Haas also asked a question related to the issuance of liquor licenses, on May 31st, and whether it comes under the Board of Health. Jennifer said that she only had to let the Borough Clerk know that the establishments were okay as far as food handling requirements, so that the town could proceed with issuing their liquor licenses.

On May 31st, there was a cat bite investigation. Dr. Haas wanted to know if the length of quarantine is the same for cats as it is for dogs. Jennifer said it is the same. John Frey asked about 12 Centennial Way and the related complaints

about dog droppings and not keeping their yard clean. Jennifer said that she has spoken to the homeowner and visited the property. Summonses have been issued requiring court appearances. He also referred to the number of summonses issued related to expired dog licenses. Fariba explained that every year there are numerous attempts made through the mail, the newsletter, the Old Mill board, and phone calls to remind residents to renew their animal licenses. Despite all of the above some residents still claim they have not received any reminders, and are surprised to finally receive fines, months after the renewals were due.

The Board agreed that in September the animal licensing ordinance should be reviewed at the meeting, to see if any modifications are needed.

There was a motion made and accepted to approve the Sanitarian's report for May 2007.

CASH RECEIPTS REPORT:

The Cash Receipts report for May 2007 was reviewed. There was a motion made and so carried to approve the cash receipts report for May 2007.

WATER REPORTS:

Next, the Board reviewed the communications from the Environmental Protection Agency in reference to further investigations at 28 County Road for the detection of Perchlorate. Dr. Sperber asked about a statement made in their summary which stated that Chilean nitrate fertilizer was stored at a plant nursery in the area. He wanted to know where they obtained that information and what was it based on. Fariba is to call the EPA representative, Thomas Budroe, and question him on the above. Dr. Sperber also asked for a list to be provided by the Park Ridge Water Company, showing all well numbers and locations, which would make it easier for the Board members to review the quarterly water reports.

Dr. Clark asked about the Second Quarter 2007 Arsenic Reports and wanted clarification in reference to sampling requirements and the number of wells that are tested in a given period of time. She also wanted to find out what actions were taken if any by the Water Company upon discovering the higher than allowed level of arsenic contamination, in well #13. Fariba is to call Bill Beattie, Director of Operations and find out.

NEW BUSINESS:

Dr. Sperber asked Jennifer about any establishments being required to have a defibrillator on site for emergency situations, such as a hotel, restaurant,

etc... She said that she does not believe so, but will check into it. Janet Levine said that both the Elementary and Middle Schools do have one available.

There was a motion made and accepted, to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. The next meeting will be on September 18, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

Fariba Negahban
Board of Health Secretary

Approved by:

Elaine Metlitz
President, Board of Health