

**HARDING TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF HEALTH
THURSDAY, MAY 13, 2021**

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Regular Meeting Minutes

Dr. Cervone, Chair called the In-Person and GoToMeeting of the Harding Township Board of Health to order on May 13 at 7:30 p.m. and announced the meeting was called in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey. Dr. Cervone asked the Secretary to call the roll.

ROLL CALL:

Secretary Sharp called the following Board of Health members in attendance.

BOH Attendance: Mr. Boyan (via GoToMtg), Dr. Kao (via GoToMtg), Mrs. DiTosto (via GoToMtg), Dr. Lacz (via GoToMtg), Mrs. McKittrick (via GoToMtg), Mr. Platt (in person), and Dr. Cervone (in person)

Absent: None

Health Department Attendance: Mrs. Lisa Sharp and Mr. George Byrnes (both in person)

County of Morris Attendance: Miss Casey Brady, REHS (in person)

BOH Counsel: Mr. Joseph Sordillo, Esq. (via GoToMeeting)

Public: None

MINUTES OF APRIL 8, 2021:

Dr. Cervone asked if there were any questions with regard to the April 8, 2021 minutes. Upon a motion made by Dr. Lacz, seconded by Mrs. DiTosto, and with votes of all ayes, none opposed, the minutes for the April 8, 2021 meeting were accepted.

MONTHLY REPORT FOR APRIL 2021:

Dr. Cervone asked if there were any questions regarding the monthly Health Department report for April 2021.

Mr. Byrnes reported on the following:

- Monk Application – waiting on final grade.
- Grather Application – revised plans were submitted, Mr. Byrnes reviewed them and sent additional comments.

- Jolie Life – Mr. Byrnes conducted and pre-operation inspection and a follow-up inspection. The restaurant passed and they are now open.
- DeSimone Septic – Mr. Byrnes reported that the DeSimone septic which the Board of Health provided an approval for a septic extension is almost complete.

Dr. Cervone asked about the property maintenance concerns. Mr. Platt mentioned that the Township does not have a property maintenance ordinance. Mr. Byrnes commented that the Health Department received several inquiries regarding dead birds. Mrs. Sharp spoke with Dr. Perez, Jr., Health Officer, and he informed me that this is not a public health safety matter.

Mrs. McKittrick commented if there was an update on the dog bite from 2020. Mr. Joe Sordillo, Board of Health Attorney reported the Township received a complaint addressed to the Mayor and sent to the BOH Attorney's office to review and respond. In working with Mrs. Sharp, Animal Control Solutions (ACS) was contacted and ACS is on top of the matter. ACS issued summonses with connection to one or two of the incidents which are still pending. The individual was not happy or wanted the Township, Mayor, or Board of Health to have more control or input over any penalties that might be imposed by the Municipal Court. After summonses are issued that is at the discretion of the Municipal Prosecutor. The individual was referred to the Municipal Prosecutor, if the individual was a victim of the incident they have a right to speak to the prosecutor and voice their concerns. The outcome is left to the discretion of the prosecutor and the Municipal Court to issue final judgement on those summonses. Last checked, the hearing is still being rescheduled to be heard before the Municipal Court.

With no further comments, Dr. Cervone asked for a motion to accept the April 2021 monthly Health Department report. Upon a motion made by Mr. Platt, seconded by Dr. Kao, and with a vote of all ayes, none opposed, the monthly Health Department report for April 2021 was accepted.

COUNTY OF MORRIS MONTHLY REPORT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF HARDING – APRIL 2021:

Dr. Cervone asked if there were any comments or questions with regard to the Morris County Monthly Report.

Miss Brady reported on the following:

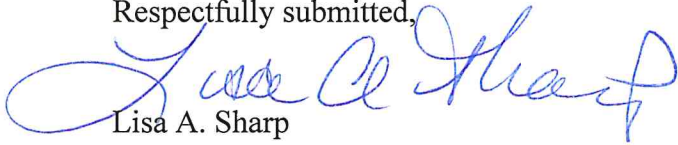
- Morris Animal Inn – Miss Brady conducted and kennel inspection and they received a satisfactory rating.
- Small Village Deli – Miss Brady conducted a pre-operation inspection and a follow-up inspection will be conducted on May 14, 2021. A satisfactory rating will be issued.
- Septic's – Miss Brady reported that many septic's have been approved but the Health Department is awaiting to start the inspections. Mr. Byrnes mentioned that the contractors are very busy and this could be why it is taking longer to start the septic work.

With no further comments a motion was made to accept the April 2021 Monthly County of Morris report by Mr. Platt and seconded by Mrs. DiTosto, and with a vote of all ayes, none opposed the monthly Morris County report for April 2021 was accepted.

OTHER MATTERS AND HEARING PERSONS PRESENT:

Seeing no further business, a motion to adjourn was duly made by Mr. Platt, seconded by Mrs. DiTosto, and with a vote of all ayes, the meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa A. Sharp
Secretary, Board of Health