



**BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

DATE: March 2, 2015

CALL TO ORDER: 8:00 P.M.

PRESENT AT ROLL CALL:

President	Diane Clarke
Vice President	Dr. Beth Raucher
Board Member	Dr. George Lee
Board Member	Dr. Ravi Munver
Board Member	Melanie Simon
Board Member	Dr. Yang Kim
Board Member	Judith Klyde

ALSO PRESENT:

Council Representative	Councilman Zhi Liang
REHS	Jin Park
Health Officer	Sam Yanovich
Registrar	Lisette Duffy
Board Secretary	Rosemarie Weber

- **FLAG SALUTE – Diane Clarke, President**

BOARD OF HEALTH SECRETARY STATED:

Adequate notice of this meeting was given to the press and posted as required. Date and time of these meetings was legally given as required by the "Open Public Meetings Act." This notice is on file with the Board of Health and posted on the bulletin board. Minutes of this meeting will be made available to the public upon the completion of typing and proofreading by the Board of Health.

President Diane Clarke introduced and welcomed the new board members, Judith Klyde, Dr. Yang Kim and Melanie Simon.

President Clarke introduced Deborah Yankow, Shelter Manager of the Bergen County Animal Shelter and Adoption Center and Dr. Nancy Mangieri, Director of Bergen County Health Department.

Approval of BOH Meeting Minutes – January 12, 2015 Reorganization Meeting

On a motion by Melanie Simon, seconded by Dr. Raucher, Board of Health Reorganization Meeting Minutes of January 12, 2015 was unanimously approved.

ALL IN FAVOR:

AYES: Clarke, Raucher, Lee, Munver, Kim, Klyde, Simon

- **Report of Registered Environmental Health Specialist**

Discussed and reviewed reports. All complaints were satisfied.

- **Report of Health Officer**

The Health Officer reported that the NJ Department of Health has recalled the rabies vaccine due to adverse reactions and we have to wait for a new supply.

- **Report of Registrar for January and February 2015**

Dog License Information: 2015 dog license renewal letters were mailed out in January. 9 dog licenses were issued in January. 127 dog licensed were issued in February. Total dog licenses for January and February is 136.

OLD BUSINESS:

Jin Park, REHS, spoke about the town noise ordinance. The Borough Attorney is still reviewing.

DIANE CLARKE STATED:

“IF THERE WAS ANY UNFINISHED BUSINESS or NEW BUSINESS AT THIS TIME”

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Dr. Beth Raucher asked about the current coyote issue in Englewood Cliffs. Animal traps have been set up and are monitored by the Bergen County Animal Shelter. The coyote population is increasing.

NEW BUSINESS:

Diane Clarke, President, gave a detailed report of on-site visits to both animal shelters, Humane Enforcement in Cliffside Park and Bergen County Animal Shelter in Teterboro. She described the conditions of both shelters and presented photos of the animal shelters.

Diane Clarke reported that the Board of Health would like to have a free Rabies Clinic and Animal Adoption. Due to the rabies vaccine recall, we are waiting to hear from the State on the availability of the vaccine in order to schedule a date.

Diane Clarke will speak to the Borough Attorney regarding the outside catering ordinance.

A Board of Health Attorney is being considered on an "as needed basis".

OPEN TO PUBLIC:

On a motion by Dr. Raucher seconded by Melanie Simon and carried unanimously, the meeting was open to the public.

ALL IN FAVOR:

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PUBLIC SPOKE:

Vince Ascolese, Animal Control Officer for the past two years never received any complaints.

Richard Kramisen, 51 John Street, Englewood Cliffs, NJ, is not in favor of hiring the Bergen County Animal Shelter. He questioned Dr. Lee's ethics and called him "stupid" and "Dr. Kevorkian" several times.

Carrol McMorro, 7 Ridge Road, Englewood Cliffs, NJ, questioned why the Board of Health decided to switch animal services. The resident also asked about feral cats in town.

Deborah Yankow, Shelter Manager of Bergen County Animal Shelter, said she addresses wild life and follows state guidelines for trapping. She provided the members with an update on the coyotes and the traps that have been set up.

Gail Ehrenberg, 51 John Street, Englewood Cliffs, NJ, said animals should be euthanized only when they are sick and dying.

Lauren Eastwood, 7 Willow Drive, Englewood Cliffs, NJ, stated she is present as a resident, not a Councilwoman. She spoke about her comparison of Cliffside Park vs Teterboro statistics.

Dr. Beth Raucher spoke about the list of towns for Bergen County Animal Shelter vs Humane Enforcement.

Richard Kramisen, 51 John Street, Englewood Cliffs, NJ, is not in favor of the Bergen County Animal Shelter.

Maria Villari, 45 Jane Street, Englewood Cliffs, NJ, is not in favor of Bergen County Animal Shelter.

Andrew Nikow, 54 Elm Street, Englewood Cliffs, NJ asked for clarification of the buildings in Cliffside vs Teterboro.

Deborah Yankow said the shelter takes over 2000 animals including animal cruelty animals, untrainable dogs and only euthanize untreatable animals. They have a successful adoption center and manage feral cats and enforce health. The shelter has an active trap-neuter-release program.

Susan Consalvo, 150 Charlotte Place, Englewood Cliffs, NJ questioned the proper protocol for animal calls.

Deborah Yankow said that only the animals that are untreatable will be evaluated by the Euthanize Committee.

Mario Kranjac, 47 N. Virginia Court, Englewood Cliffs, NJ spoke about openness in the community.

Dr. Lee would like to see more residents attend the Board of Health meetings.

On a motion by Melanie Simon, seconded by Judith Klyde and carried unanimously, the public portion was closed.

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There being no further business, Diane Clarke asked for a motion to adjourn.

On a motion by Melanie Simon, seconded by Judith Klyde, the meeting adjourned at 9:40 PM.

ALL IN FAVOR:

AYES: Clarke, Raucher, Lee, Munver, Kim, Klyde, Simon

Respectfully submitted by Rosemarie Weber, Board of Health Secretary

ATTEST:



Rosemarie Weber, CMR, Board of Health Secretary