

**Hudson Regional Health Commission
Commission Meeting
JUNE 28, 2018**

MINUTES

Opening of the meeting:

This meeting was opened at 10:15 am by President J. Sarnas who declared it had been advertised in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231 of the laws of 1975.

Attendance:

Present:

S. Bastola
J. Castro
C. Madalena
M. O'Reilly
K. Pincus
J. Sarnas
J. Ehret
F. Sasso
G. Jeffas
C. Aguilera (Alternate)
V. Rivelli

Absent:

A. Mansilla
G. Diaz
F. Sasso
W. Zitt

C. Nawrocki, Director
J. Napolitano, Counsel

Minutes of the meeting of February 8, 2018 were unanimously approved as written and submitted on motion by F. Sasso, second J. Castro (Attachment I).

Announcements:

Secaucus and Guttenberg Board Members

C. Nawrocki announced the appointment of a new alternate board member for the Town of Secaucus. As of April 24, 2018, Christina Aguilera will be replacing Dana Oberkofler. C. Nawrocki also announced a change in board membership for the Town of Guttenberg. On June 20, 2018, Mayor Wayne D. Zitt, Jr was appointed as the primary board member and Cosmo A. Cirillo was appointed as the alternate member.

Director's Report

C. Nawrocki presented the June 2018 Director's Report. This report includes information for the first six months of 2018, including program updates, enforcement activities and mosquito data.

New Staff Member

C. Nawrocki introduced Alyssa Berdnik to the board, Alyssa was hired in May as the Health Educator Risk Communicator/Planner in the Public Health Emergency Preparedness program.

Expenditures Report for February 1, 2018 through June 15, 2018 was ratified upon motion by V. Rivelli, second J. Castro, and unanimously carried (Attachment II).

New Business:

Underground Storage Tank Program

C. Nawrocki updated the board on the underground storage tank (UST) program which was funded by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) as an elective program under the County Environmental Health Act (CEHA). Despite several meeting with the NJDEP and requests to maintain any level of funding, as of July 1, 2018 they will no longer fund the UST program at the county level. The NJDEP will conduct all the inspections.

New Jersey Department of Health Grants July 2018-June 2019

C. Nawrocki discussed upcoming grants from the New Jersey Department of Health (NJDOH) for the FY 2019, and provided a summary of each grant. The board reviewed letters of intent/letters of confirmation of grant award from the NJDOH for the Right to Know Program (Attachment III), Lead Program (Attachment IV) and Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program (Attachment V). Upon motion by S. Bastola, second C. Madalena, the Director was unanimously approved to apply for, receive and administer the three grants from the NJDOH.

New Jersey Department of Environmental Health – CEHA July 2018-June 2019

C. Nawrocki discussed the FY 2019 grant application for the County Environmental Health Act (CEHA) Program with the NJDEP for the FY 2019 (Attachment VI). This application includes anticipated funding for all core and elective programs. The core programs include: Air Enforcement, Solid Waste Enforcement, Water Enforcement, Noise and Hazardous Substance Emergency Response. Elective programs include: Pesticides, Motor Vehicle Idling, and Right to Know. Upon motion by S. Bastola, second C. Madalena, the Director was unanimously approved to apply for, receive and administer the CEHA grant.

Elevated Blood Lead Environmental Investigation Agreement - Secaucus

The Interlocal Agreement between the Town of Secaucus and the Commission for conducting elevated blood lead (EBL) investigations will expire September 30, 2018. Upon motion by F. Sasso, second J. Castro, unanimously carried, the Director was authorized to renew the three year agreement (Attachment VII).

There being no further business, upon motion by F. Sasso, second G. Jeffas, unanimously carried, the meeting was closed at 11:20.