

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BYRAM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF HEALTH
November 24, 2020 – Time 7:30 PM

Meeting was called to order by Chair Roxanne Sabatini at 7:33.

OPENING STATEMENT

This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Law. This meeting has been electronically sent to the newspapers and uploaded to Byram's website not less than 48 hours in advance of the meeting. In addition, a copy of this notice is on file with the Municipal Board of Health Secretary.

ATTENDANCE:

Board Members Present :

Roxanne Sabatini, Scott Olson, Michael Busniak, Anneliese DeMagistris, Cris Franco, Lauren Shannon.

Board Member Absent: Bernie Rogalski

Sussex County Board of Health Representative:

Elaine Martinez

Council Liaison:

Cris Franco

Public:

Alex Rubenstein

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 22, 2020 MINUTES:

Scott Olson made a motion to accept the minutes from the September meeting, seconded by Michael Busniak. All were in favor.

BOARD OF HEALTH REPORTS

Board of Health fees collected for the months of September, October were reviewed.

Septic Management fees for the month of September, October were reviewed.

Dog Licensing fees for October were reviewed and unregistered dogs in the Township were discussed.

PENDING BUSINESS

Roxanne presented the need and duties of a Co-Chair for the Board of Health. Michael Busniak showed interest in becoming the Co-Chair. Roxanne Sabatini made a motion to accept Michael Busniak as Co-Chair of the Board of Health. Seconded by Scott Olson. All were in favor.

Come the new year there will be an open seat to fill. Board members were asked to assist in finding an interested party to fill the seat.

Block 317 Lot 23, 161 N. Shore Road. The homeowner received notification that no waiver would be granted and complied to the Septic Management regulations within the 30 days requested by the Board.

SUSSEX COUNTY DIVISION OF HEALTH REPORT - Representative Elaine Martinez

Reported the County pandemic practices remain in effect. They are working mostly remotely, investigating and tracking COVID cases. The only inspections that are getting done are repairs on septic systems. There are no physical on sight inspections for test holes, septic alterations, new septic systems, d-box, well lines or seals. Engineers are certifying and are reporting back to the County. Board members showed concern regarding self-policing the work getting done. Septic workload in Byram remains about the same as in the past. Daily appointed Inspectors available in the office for the North and South zones to meet the needs of the Townships.

Only two food establishments are remaining to be inspected for the year.

November 9th Executive Order concerning restaurants, temporary structures, proper ventilation, and sanitation practices are being handled by the DOH Team. Outside structures will be revisited at the next meeting.

WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN POLICY ADISORY COM.-PAC Representative Roxanne Sabatini
The housing development in Franklin Township was passed.

SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COUNCIL- S.W.A.C - Representative Mike Busniak
No report, October and November meetings were cancelled.

NEW BUSINESS

Bernie Rogalski resignation from the Board of Health after many years of service.

Septic Waiver Request Block 155 Lot 240, 9 Allamuchy Trail was discussed. The homeowner's documentation, past septic pumping history were reviewed. Scott Olson made a motion for a one-year extension from pumping the system at 9 Allamuchy. Seconded by Roxanne Sabatini. All in favor. Written notification will be sent to homeowner.

Septic Wavier Request Block 332 Lot 3.06, 13 Dennis Hill Road was discussed. The homeowner's documentation, past septic pumping history were reviewed. Roxanne Sabatini made a motion for a one-year extension from pumping the system at 13 Dennis Hill Road. Seconded by Scott Olson. All in favor. Written notification will be sent to homeowner.

Septic Waiver Request Block 149 Lot 179, 4 Tote Road was discussed. The homeowner's documentation, past septic pumping history were reviewed. Roxanne Sabatini made a motion for a one-year extension from pumping the system at 4 Tote Road. Seconded by Scott Olson. All in favor. Written notification will be sent to homeowner.

The State of New Jersey has a Radon Awareness grant available for 2021. Byram was not awarded the grant last year and would have the opportunity to apply with special consideration. The Township did have some kits remaining from the previous year which were distributed to interested residents at the Administration Building. Pros and cons of the Radon Program were discussed. The Board felt increased traffic and exposure to Township employees was a concern, and with the uncertainty of having a Byram Day, they felt we should not apply for the Grant at this time.

RESOLUTION NO. BH2-2020

The Board approved the 2021 meeting dates listed.

REGULARLY MEETINGS

***January 26, 2021**

March 23, 2021

May 25, 2021

July 27, 2021

September 28, 2021

November 23, 2021

***January 25, 2022**

OPEN TO PUBLIC

No additional discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

The motion to adjourn was made by Scott Olson. Seconded by Mike Busniak. All in favor. Discussion was adjourned at 8:28 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Victoria Proskey
Board of Health Secretary