

**WATCHUNG  
BOARD OF HEALTH  
MINUTES  
JANUARY 21, 2015**

**CALL TO ORDER-**

**President's Statement-**

Under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., notice of the time and place of this meeting has been posted and sent to the official newspapers.

**OATH OF OFFICE:**

Oath of office was administered to Bruce Ruck and will be held in the Clerk's Office.

**ROLL CALL-**

Robert Riedinger (P); Harriet Stambaugh (P); Fran Ellis (A); Bruce Ruck (P); Ronald Jubin (P); Peter Savulich (A); Lynn Franklin (P)

Also present was Middle Brook Representative, Health Officer Officer-Kevin Sumner and although not present at roll call Fran Ellis and Councilman Black arrived at 7:10 P.M.

**REORGANIZATION:**

**NOMINATION FOR PRESIDENT**

Harriet Stambaugh made a motion to nominate Bruce Ruck for the position of Board of Health President with a second by Ron Jubin. There being no other nominations the motion carried unanimously on roll call.

**NOMINATION FOR VICE PRESIDENT**

Harriet Stambaugh made a motion to nominate Robert Reidinger for the position of Board of Health Vice President with a second by Ron Jubin. There being no other nominations the motion carried unanimously on roll call.

Appointment for Representatives to Middle Brook – 2 Members & 1 Alternate

Members: Fran Ellis and Ronald Jubin

Alternate: Harriet Stambaugh

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Bruce Ruck made a motion to approve the minutes of November 17, 2014 with a second by Lynn Franklin. All members in attendance approved.

**CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTION:**

Kevin Sumner explained that the extension of time was approved at our November 17<sup>th</sup> Meeting but the Borough Attorney wanted a Resolution to memorialize it.

Mr. Sumner then read Resolution R1 and requested a motion.

President Bruce Ruck made a motion to approve the resolution with a second by Fran Ellis and upon roll call the vote was as follows: Ruck, Riedinger, Ellis, Stambaugh, Rubin, Franklin, “aye.”

R1:01/21/15 Johnston and Valley Drive Sanitary Sewer – extension of time to connect to sewer line

**Report of Vital Statistics for :**

**November**

Births - Male- 1 Female- 1  
Deaths - Male- 3 Female- 5  
Marriages- 2  
Domestic Partnerships – 0

**December**

Births - Male- 0 Female- 3  
Deaths - Male- 5 Female- 3  
Marriages- 3  
Domestic Partnerships – 0

**HEALTH OFFICERS REPORTS FOR - November/December (Kevin Sumner)**

Lynn Franklin asked Kevin about Rabies Clinic charges in other towns. She said Raritan charged non-residents 5.00. He said he would check on this – he did not think they were supposed to charge anyone because the vaccines are supplied by the State but he will check with them. Ron Jubin mentioned the water issue on Johnston Drive and said the residents were not getting any useful information from the water company. Both he and Bruce Ruck said someone should be able to get information for the residents from the water company so they can inform them of what is being done to alleviate the problem.

**REPORT OF REPRESENTATIVE TO MIDDLE BROOK (Commission Report)**

**Quarantine & Isolation Ordinance** – Kevin said he will be working with the Commission to prepare an ordinance which would give the local health officer authorization to quarantine someone if needed. There was a question if this Ordinance would be codified in the local Health Department’s Code book and Kevin said it would not that it would be codified with Commission since it would be for all towns that are within the Commission.

**Unfinished Business:**

Kevin said Robyn Key has been inspecting the grease Traps at the various sites and if they have not complied with the Ordinance to have them serviced she is issuing summonses. He said he implemented a “drop box” for reports so MaryAnn can enter the receipt of same and so far it is working fine. Lynn Franklin reported that Chief Cina does not want the drug drop box placed in Police Headquarters. The members of the Board asked if Councilman Black could follow up with the Chief on this issue. Bruce Ruck also requested this be carried over under unfinished business for our next meeting. Robert Riedinger asked about the drinking problem in the High School and Ron Jubin thins this is an issue for the Municipal Drug Alliance and Fran Ellis said she will contact Kim Otto for further information.

**New Business:**

2015 Local and Middle Brook budgets were discussed. Kevin explained the Commission budget and said it is under the 2% Cap. Fran Ellis made a motion to approve the budgets with a second by Lynn Franklin and upon roll call the vote was as follows: : Ruck, Riedinger, Ellis, Stambaugh, Rubin, Franklin, "aye." Members did question how much the Borough pays to the County health department and Kevin suggested speaking to Councilman Nehls who did a very thorough study on this when the County wanted to do a shared service for the Health Department.

Carbon Monoxide Detectors in Businesses and Schools – Bruce Ruck said he spoke to Fire Official Gary Greves and Rescue Squad member Adam Wexler who said they would be in agreement with this if an ordinance could be passed. Councilman Black said he will bring this up with the Laws and Ordinance Committee at their next meeting. Kevin Sumner said this would be under Chapter 12, the Uniform Fire Code. Bruce Ruck requested the secretary include this for further discussion on our February agenda.

Bruce asked members to brain storm and come up with health benefit ideas/activities the Commission can do to make a difference in Watchung for the residents.

**VOUCHERS SUBMITTED FOR PAYMENT-**

Rabies Clinic – December 6, 2015 - \$ 90.00

Harriet Stambaugh made a motion to approve payment of bills with a second by Bruce Ruck and upon roll call the vote was as follows: : Ruck, Riedinger, Ellis, Stambaugh, Rubin, Franklin, "aye."

**ADJOURNMENT-**

Being no further business to come before the Committee the meeting was adjourned to the next scheduled meeting to be held on February 18, 2015 at 7:00 PM at Borough Hall, 15 Mountain Blvd., Watchung, NJ 07069

Respectfully submitted,

*MaryAnn Hance*  
*Secretary*