

**WATCHUNG  
BOARD OF HEALTH  
MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 29, 2017  
7:00 PM**

**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.

**ROLL CALL-**

Riedinger ( A ) Stambaugh ( A ) Ellis ( P ) Ruck ( P ) Jubin ( P ) Savulich ( A ) Escaleira ( P )  
Gunther ( A ) Logan ( P )

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – June 21, 2017

Following a motion by Ronald Jubin and second by Fran Ellis the minutes were unanimously approved.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

None received

**HEALTH OFFICERS REPORTS FOR -June/July/August/September/October (Kevin Sumner)**

Bruce asked Kevin if there had been many requests for testing for the Zika virus and Kevin said there have not. Bruce asked about the Sears location and what impact this will have on the Board of Health. Kevin said there could be an increase for food inspections.

There was a question about the Colorado Café and what would be going in that site. Nothing will be going on the site the building will be demolished and the Weldon Quarry will be utilizing that area. Kevin said he had received a call from Carolyn Taylor regarding the pumping station at the Colorado Café site and what should be done. He said this is a Department of Environmental Protection concern not the local board.

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

Kevin reported the State has included ten million dollars in the State budget to address the funding for lead testing. However, the State will not fund any town who has less than 20 reported cases so the Borough would have to do some type of shared service, possibly with Somerset County and Trenton.

Other discussions at the Commission included gun control which the Commission thinks we should wait to see what the State does, since New Jersey has one of the toughest restrictions.

Kevin also reported that Greg Reilly would like to re-address the tobacco control issue.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Bruce Ruck said he spoke to Gary Greves regarding requirements to have businesses install carbon monoxide detectors in their locations. He said Mr. Greves told him this is now a state law. There are certain rating requirements for detectors for businesses and there will have to be some guidelines as to where these should be installed in the buildings to be the most effective.

### **Marijuana Legalization:**

Bruce Ruck said he will not give an opinion on this issue since he is not sure of his position on this. However, if this is approved either by the Board of Health or the Council, there should definitely be a member of the Board present for any discussion on this issue prior to any Ordinance being approved. He also said this should be done the safest way possible if approved. Kevin and all Board members present agreed that at least one member be included in any discussions on this issue. Kevin said the League of Municipalities is creating a task force for this issue and all should wait to see what proposals are.

Bruce Ruck then questioned if the Borough pays or has a contract with the Atlantic Ambulance Service.

Kevin Sumner said there will be no increase in the 2018 Budget for Middlebrook. Following a motion by Fran Ellis and a second by Francesca Escaleira to approve the 2018 budget the vote was as follows: Ellis, Ruck, Jubin, Escaleira, Logan, "aye." Bruce Ruck asked if any towns would be leaving the Commission and Kevin said not at this time.

Mr. Sumner also asked MaryAnn to request that Mr. Atkins send him the contracts for the animal control before they are approved so he may review them.

The 2018 Meeting Schedule was discussed and approved. There are five meetings scheduled but the Commission can request additional ones if they are needed.

## **VOUCHERS FOR PAYMENT**

MaryAnn Hance informed the members that they will no longer have to approve the payments to Middlebrook or the Animal Control since these are annual contracts and also since the State Registrar requires payment for the safety paper within 30 days it will be approved by her if that is acceptable to the members. All were in favor of this. Ms. Hance said she will let the Board know when she has done this.

## **PUBLIC PORTION**

No public was in attendance.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Next scheduled meeting – will be the reorganization meeting - January 17, 2018 at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



MaryAnn Hance  
Secretary