



Borough of Chester, County of Morris
Board of Health Meeting
Wednesday, April 8, 2020 6:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting of the Board of Health of the Borough of Chester was called to order by Kenneth Budd, President on Wednesday, April 8, 2020 6:30 PM by Video Conference.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kenneth Budd, President
Kathy Perry, Vice-President
Elisa Stelwagon-Buckley
Eileen Carey Brown
Eileen Callaghan-Manning

ALSO, PRESENT:

Thomas J Germinario, Board Attorney
Tricia Cowell, Sr.-REHS, Bernards Twp. Health Dept.
Lauren Battaglino, Board Secretary

Members Not Present:

Elizabeth Gugliemini
Dr. Douglas Carmel

ADEQUATE NOTICE – “O.P.M.A.” – RECORD INSERT

“Adequate Notice” of this meeting of the Board of Health of the Borough of Chester was and defined by the Open Public Meetings Act as follows:

Written Notice was given to the official newspaper Observer Tribune by mail on January 3, 2020 which was at least 48 hours prior to the date of this meeting and a copy of the notice was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building of the Borough of Chester on by the Secretary of this board and a copy of the notice was likewise filed in the Borough Clerk’s Office on June 1, 2020 and copies of this notice were mailed to all persons who requested individual notices, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-15 all of which notices were given at least 48 hours prior to the date of this meeting and I hereby hand to the Secretary of this board



for the purpose of incorporating into the minutes of this meeting a copy of the notice which was given as above sent forth for appropriate retention in the municipal files.

NEW BUSINESS:

New Septic System, 26 B North Rd, Block 115 Lot 8.01

Health Officer Tricia Cowell advised the Board that the plans meet all of Chester Borough and State Codes.

Motion- Kathy Perry
Seconded- Elisa Buckley
All in Favor- All Ayes

OLD BUSINESS: Septic System Maintenance

It was the consensus of the Board to hold off on septic letter discussion until next meeting due to Covid-19. Board Secretary will provide list of residents on septic and sewer for next meeting.

Covid-19 Update:

Health Officer Tricia Cowell stated their department has been inundated with the Covid-19 pandemic as of March 13th. They participate in daily calls with the County and State. Close communication with both the OEM and Mayor. Two cases were reported in the Borough then removed due to confusion with address. There are 0 cases in the Borough at this time. Health Officer Cowell spoke of the importance of proper social distancing practices. There is growing concern with Senior Centers because they are high risk. She is collecting a list of names and numbers of residents who may need assistance at this time. A testing site located at County College of Morris just opened last week. Bernards Twp Health Department will continue to issue reports multiple times a week on the latest Covid-19 updates.



Health Officer's Report:

No report at this time due to Covid-19.

MINUTES CONSIDERATION:

February 12, 2020

Motion to Approve:

Motion – Elisa Buckley
Seconded – Eileen Carey Brown
All in Favor- All Ayes, except Kathy Perry Abstain

Approved

COMMENTS: BOARD OF HEALTH MEMBERS: none

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion – Kathy Perry
Seconded – Eileen Manning
All in Favor- All Ayes

There being no further business for the consideration of the Board of Health at this time on a motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, this meeting adjourned at 9:05 PM, next to convene at by remote means at 7:30 PM on Wednesday, June 10, 2020 by video conference.

Submitted,

Lauren Battaglino, Secretary