Ocean County Board of Health
175 Sunset Avenue
Toms River, New Jersey
September 18, 2019
9:30 AM

The Regular Meeting of the Ocean County Board of Health was called to order on September 18, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. in the Board Room, at 175 Sunset Avenue, Toms River, Ocean County, New Jersey, with Chairman John J. Mallon presiding.

1. Reading of “Open Public Meeting Act:"

2. Pledge of Allegiance:

   Mr. John J. Mallon asked everyone to remember our military servicemen and servicewomen who protect our freedom every day.

3. Roll Call:

   Ms. Jennifer Bacchione
   Mr. Christopher Dasti
   Ms. Veronica Laureigh
   Mr. Henry Mancini
   Ms. Ruthanne Scaturro
   Senator Robert Singer
   Mr. John J. Mallon, Chairman

   Daniel E. Regenye, Public Health Coordinator/Health Officer
   John Sahradnik, Board Counsel

4. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes:

   On motion made by Mr. Christopher Dasti, seconded by Ms. Veronica Laureigh, the open meeting minutes from the September 4, 2019 meeting were approved.

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   Mr. John J. Mallon, Chairman, asked for a motion for the consent agenda on Resolutions 269(19) through 281(19), and to follow the abstention list. Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Mr. Christopher Dasti, and unanimously approved.

5. Adoption of Resolutions:

   Resolution 269(19) – Finance Committee Report – September 18, 2019 – $439,540.34 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Mr. Christopher Dasti, with Mr. Henry Mancini abstaining on Items #19-02041, #19-02185 and #19-02300; Senator Robert
Singer abstaining on Items #19-02060, #19-02106, #19-02113 and #19-02120, and Mr. John J. Mallon, Chairman abstaining on Item #19-02123, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 270(19) – Personnel Committee Report – September 18, 2019 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Mr. Christopher Dasti, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 271(19) – Authorization to submit the approved 2020-2023 County Comprehensive Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Plan to the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders, County of Ocean – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Mr. Christopher Dasti, with Mr. Henry Mancini abstaining, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 272(19) – Authorization to transfer the ownership of the mobile morgue trailer to the County of Ocean – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Mr. Christopher Dasti, with Mr. Henry Mancini abstaining, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 273(19) – Authorization to enter into an agreement with AlcoholEdu by Everfi – for the period October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020 – not to exceed $5,000 – and authorization to enter into an agreement with Georgian Court University – AlcoholEdu curriculum for the 2019-2020 academic year – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Mr. Christopher Dasti, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 274(19) – Authorization to apply for the Strengthening Local Public Health Capacity Program-Operations Grants – in an amount not to exceed $95,000 – for the period November 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Mr. Christopher Dasti, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 275(19) – Authorization to apply for the Strengthening Local Public Health Capacity Program-Training Scholarships – in an amount not to exceed $30,000 – for the period November 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Mr. Christopher Dasti, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 276(19) – Authorization to enter into additional Letters of Understanding to accept and provide referrals and linkages for maternal and child health services supporting the goals and objectives of the Ocean County WIC program – at no cost to the agency – for the period October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Mr. Christopher Dasti, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 277(19) – Recognition of October 13-19, 2019 as International Infection Prevention Week – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Mr. Christopher Dasti, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 278(19) – Recognition of October 23-31, 2019 as Red Ribbon Week – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Mr. Christopher Dasti, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 279(19) – Recognition of October 2019 as National Dental Hygiene Month – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Mr. Christopher Dasti, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 280(19) – Recognition of October 2019 as National Breast Cancer Awareness Month – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Mr. Christopher Dasti, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 281(19) – Recognition of October 2019 as National Domestic Violence Awareness Month – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Mr. Christopher Dasti, and unanimously approved.
6. **Comments: Freeholder Gerry P. Little, Liaison to the Board of Chosen Freeholders:**

**Comments:** Freeholder Gerry P. Little, Liaison to the Board of Chosen Freeholders was not present at today’s Board of Health meeting.

7. **Other Matters:**

**Freeholder:** Mr. Daniel Regenye, Public Health Coordinator/Health Officer stated that Freeholder Little sends his regards as he is out of the state assisting a family member and hopes to be present at the next Board of Health meeting.

**OCHD literature:** Mr. Regenye noted that in front of each of the Board of Health member was an Ocean County Health Department paperweight/coaster for the purpose of preventing Ocean County Health Department literature from flying away at outdoor health fairs and help promote the Ocean County Health Department.

**Public Health Nursing:** Mr. Regenye introduced the Director of Nursing, Ms. Chrysanthe Patestos. All the Board of Health members welcomed Ms. Patestos to the Ocean County Health Department. Ms. Patestos thanked the members.

**Flu immunizations:** Mr. Regenye stated that the flu vaccine is on track for delivery and the flu clinics will be starting. Mr. Regenye also stated that the flu vaccine should be in by the next Board of Health meeting.

**Shingles:** Mr. Regenye provided information regarding a question at the last Board of Health meeting about any connection between the chicken pox vaccinations and getting shingles. Mr. Regenye stated that no correlation has been seen or anything heard in that perspective.

**Electronic Smoking Devices:** Mr. Regenye noted that recently in the media are reports about electronic smoking devices. Mr. Regenye stated that the State of New Jersey has created a task force and a public campaign. The Ocean County Health Department will be working with the state and will be reaching out to the schools and the residents throughout the Ocean County community providing information regarding the health risks of electronic smoking devices.

**“The Aftermath of Addiction” event:** Mr. Regenye stated that each Board Member has in front of them an invitation to an event scheduled to be held at the Ocean County College on October 24, 2019 in the Gateway Lecture Hall. The event is “Share Your Story, The Aftermath of Addiction.” Mr. Regenye remarked this event evolved from the Overdose Fatality Review Program.

Ms. Kimberly Reilly, Chief of Administrative Services, explained why the Overdose Fatality Review Team recognized the importance of share your story; this information from the families was lacking and it provides vital details in conjunction with analyzing the overdose fatality review data and the social autopsy findings. Ms. Reilly stated that these
stories will help to move forward with developing programming and policy changes and to make everyone aware this overdose epidemic is far from over.

Ms. Reilly provided details of the event and informed the Board members of the government officials invited to the event. Ms. Reilly stated that the event is a partnership with the Ocean County Health Department and the Ocean County Prosecutor’s Office, the Ocean County Department of Human Services, and Hope Sheds Light.

Chairman Mallon asked if the actual people telling the stories are Ocean County residents. Ms. Reilly responded that they are residents of Ocean County, all ages and from different communities.

Mr. Regenye informed the Board of a possible event at the end of the year combining all the different committees of the Overdose Fatality Review Team to be able to share information and evaluate the accomplishments of 2019 and plan for 2020.

Senator Robert Singer stated that he amended the bill last Thursday and a copy was sent to Mr. Regenye. Mr. Regenye confirmed receipt.

8. **Comments from the Public:** Comments from members of the audience were invited at this time with a limit of five (5) minutes per speaker: Mr. John J. Mallon, Chairman, asked if anyone from the public wished to speak. No one wished to speak.

9. **Authorization to Enter Into Closed Session If Necessary:** Closed Session was not needed at this time.

10. **Adjournment:** A motion was made by Mr. Henry Mancini, seconded by Mr. Christopher Dasti, and the meeting adjourned at 9:43 a.m.

Assistant Secretary