

Ocean County Board of Health
 175 Sunset Avenue
 Toms River, New Jersey
 June 17, 2020
 9:30 AM

The Regular Meeting of the Ocean County Board of Health was called to order on June 17, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. in the Auditorium, at 175 Sunset Avenue, Toms River, Ocean County, New Jersey, and remote participation, with Chairman John J. Mallon presiding.

1. Reading of "Open Public Meeting Act:"

2. Pledge of Allegiance:

3. Roll Call:

Ms. Jennifer Bacchione – participated remotely
 Ms. Carol Blake – participated remotely
 Ms. Veronica Laureigh
 Mr. Henry Mancini – participated remotely
 Ms. Ruthanne Scaturro – participated remotely
 Senator Robert Singer
 Mr. John J. Mallon, Chairman

Daniel E. Regenye, Public Health Coordinator/Health Officer
 John Sahradnik, Board Counsel – participated remotely
 Freeholder Gerry P. Little, Liaison to the Board of Chosen Freeholders – participated remotely

Ms. Barbara Jo Crea – participated remotely – joined the meeting after roll call and voting

4. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes:

On motion made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, the open meeting minutes from the May 13, 2020 meeting were approved.

Name	Bacchione	Blake	Crea	Hill	Laureigh	Mancini	Scaturro	Singer	Mallon
Ayes	X	X			X	X	X	X	X
Abstain									
Nays									
Absent			X	X					

Mr. John J. Mallon, Chairman, asked for a motion for the consent agenda on Resolutions 173(20) through 191(20). Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

5. Adoption of Resolutions:

Resolution 173(20) – Ratification of Finance Committee Report – June 3, 2020 – \$305,356.18 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, with Ms. Jennifer Bacchione abstaining from Item #20-01083; Mr. Henry Mancini abstaining from Items #20-01083 and #20-01100; and Senator Robert Singer abstaining on Items #20-00985 and #20-01026, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 174(20) – Finance Committee Report – June 17, 2020 – \$214,597.60 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, with Senator Robert Singer abstaining on Items #20-00821, #20-01085, #20-01127, #20-01136, and #20-01137, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 175(20) – Personnel Committee Report – June 17, 2020 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 176(20) – Authorization to credit exempt employees – extensive efforts in response to COVID-19 response in Ocean County – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 177(20) – Authorization to execute an agreement with Log Me In – Information Technology Support – in an amount not to exceed \$17,500 – for the period May 15, 2020 through May 15, 2021 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 178(20) – Authorization to enter into agreement with Stockton University; Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey; Ocean County College; Georgian Court University; and University of Massachusetts at Amherst – offer students seasonal employment for COVID-19 response while obtaining public health experience and college credit – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 179(20) – Rejection of all bids submitted for the procurement of clinical laboratory services – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 180(20) – Authorization to enter into an agreement to extend contract for clinical laboratory services with Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings – for the period July 25, 2020 through August 15, 2020 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 181(20) – Authorization to enter into a fee-for-service contract with Visiting Nurse Association of Central Jersey (VNACJ) – Cancer Education and Early Detection services – reimburse the Ocean County Health Department allowable expenses not to exceed \$13,331 – for the period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 182(20) – Authorization to accept COVID-19 response funding from NJACCHO – in an amount not to exceed \$198,822.00 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 183(20) – Authorization to accept the HIV/AIDS Ryan White Part B Program Grant – in an amount not to exceed \$421,142.00 – for the period April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021 – and authorization to apply for additional funding as part of the Federal Coronavirus relief funds – in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 184(20) – Authorization to apply for the New Jersey Department of Health Women, Infants and Children Supplemental Nutrition Program Grant – in an amount not to exceed \$2,838,752 – for the period October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 185(20) – Authorization to amend the New Jersey Department of Health Division of Community Health Services Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention and Control Program – in an amount not to exceed \$53,292 – extending the duration of the grant to

September 30, 2020 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 186(20) – Authorization to amend the New Jersey Department of Health Division of Community Health Services Diabetes Prevention and Control Program – in an amount not to exceed \$37,710 – extending the duration of the grant to September 30, 2020 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 187(20) – Authorization to forward two (2) vehicles for public auction – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, with Mr. Henry Mancini abstaining, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 188(20) – Authorization to enter into an agreement with Jersey Shore University Medical Center's (JSUMC) A-Team – for provision of onsite, no-cost oral health screenings for HIV/AIDS clients – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 189(20) – Authorization to enter into IDRC affiliation agreements – for the period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2022 – at no cost to the Ocean County Health Department – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 190(20) – Authorization to enter into Letters of Understanding for maternal and child health services supporting the goals and objectives of the Ocean County WIC Program – for the period October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021 – at no cost to the Ocean County Health Department – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 191(20) – Recognition of June 27, 2020 as National HIV Testing Day – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

6. Ocean County Board of Health Annual By-Laws Review:

By-Laws: Chairman Mallon stated that next on the agenda is the adoption of the Ocean County Board of Health By-Laws. Chairman Mallon asked if any Board of Health member had any comments. There were none.

A motion was made by Ms. Carol Blake, seconded by Ms. Jennifer Bacchione, and unanimously approved to adopt the Ocean County Board of Health By-Laws.

7. Comments: Freeholder Gerry P. Little, Liaison to the Board of Chosen Freeholders:

Comments from Freeholder Little: Freeholder Gerry Little, Liaison to the Board of Chosen Freeholders informed the Board that on the agenda for today's Board of Chosen Freeholders meeting is an ordinance for funds to replace the doors and windows at the Ocean County Health Department building.

8. Other Matters:

Seasonal flu program: Mr. Daniel Regenye, Public Health Coordinator/Health Officer stated that planning ahead for the seasonal flu program the Ocean County Health Department is looking at modifying the seasonal flu clinic schedule to bring more of a regional approach initially and then assess the need for other clinics, or through a mobile

outreach. This will transition into a COVID vaccination response plan when a vaccine becomes available. Mr. Regenye anticipates the flu program clinics would start at the latter part of September, depending on the delivery of the seasonal flu vaccine.

COVID-19: Mr. Regenye referred to the Ocean County Health Department detailed COVID-19 Response and Confirmed Case Summary which was included in the Board packets. Mr. Regenye discussed the data within the summary, the number of cases, the breakdown between different age groups, the mortality ratio, and pre-existing health conditions.

Mr. Regenye reported that the Ocean County Health Department staff has been doing a great job, updating the website daily with numbers and information, having nearly 100% of cases assigned through contact tracers and seasoned investigators, and filling in some of the gaps on the descriptive epidemiology is getting more complete with the information obtained.

Mr. Regenye stated that the partnership with Ocean County College is going very well. The COVID-19 testing site is doing well; the numbers have been diminishing and the positivity rate is now in the single digits. Mr. Regenye added that most of the counties are looking to discontinue the testing sites; Ocean County Health Department will continue operating the testing site as needed, monitoring it on a weekly basis.

Senate Bill: Senator Robert Singer informed the Board that his bill to begin the study, S2500 Local and County Health Department Infectious Disease Preparedness Study Commission, passed on Monday, June 15, 2020 in the Senate and is pending in the Assembly.

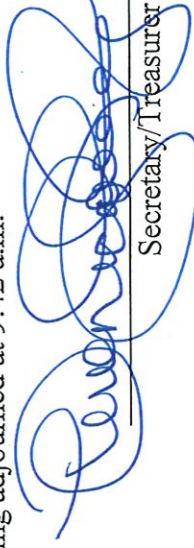
COVID-19 cases: Senator Singer noted that the number of positive cases of COVID-19 compared to the number of people testing positive for the antibodies is less, questioning the false positives nationwide. Also, Senator Singer focused on nursing homes, with the high number of deaths, which needs to be addressed and corrected.

Renovations: Senator Signer questioned the reason for the replacement of the doors and windows at the Health Department building. Mr. Regenye responded the windows are failing, not sealing properly and are the original windows dating back to the 1970's. Senator Singer suggested while changing the front door to consider getting equipment that automatically does a body temperature check when entering the building.

9. 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.

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

11. Adjournment: A motion was made by Ms. Veronica Laureigh, seconded by Senator Robert Singer, and the meeting adjourned at 9:42 a.m.


Secretary/Treasurer