

Ocean County Board of Health
 175 Sunset Avenue
 Toms River, New Jersey
 August 12, 2020
 9:30 AM

The Regular Meeting of the Ocean County Board of Health was called to order on August 12, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. in the Board Room, 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:

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

3. Roll Call:

Ms. Jennifer Bacchione – participated remotely
 Ms. Carol Blake – participated remotely
 Ms. Barbara Jo Crea
 Dr. Maurice Hill
 Ms. Veronica Laureigh
 Ms. Ruthanne Scaturro – participated remotely
 Senator Robert Singer
 Mr. John J. Mallon, Chairman

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

Chairman Mallon welcomed Ms. Barbara Jo Crea in person since this is the first Board of Health meeting Ms. Crea attended in person since her appointment as a member to the Ocean County Board of Health.

4. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes:

On motion made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Veronica Laureigh, the open meeting minutes from the July 8, 2020 meeting were approved.

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

Mr. John J. Mallon, Chairman, asked for a motion for the consent agenda on Resolutions 202(20) through 229(20) which includes the addition of 228(20) and 229(20) resolutions accepting grant funding. Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, as amended, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, as amended, and unanimously approved.

5. Adoption of Resolutions:

Resolution 202(20) – Finance Committee Report – July 22, 2020 – \$69,966.58 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 203(20) – Finance Committee Report – August 12, 2020 – \$260,597.32 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, with Dr. Maurice Hill abstaining on Items #20-00212, #20-00463, #20-00783, #20-00908, #20-00911, #20-01410, #20-01605, #20-01671, #20-01683, #20-01684, #20-01686, #20-01687, and #20-01706; and Senator Robert Singer abstaining on Items #20-00212, #20-00463, #20-00783, #20-00908, #20-00911, #20-01410, #20-01605, #20-01671, #20-01683, #20-01684, #20-01686, #20-01687, and #20-01706, and #20-01706, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 204(20) – Personnel Committee Report – August 12, 2020 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 205(20) – Authorization to enter into an agreement with Horizon Blue Cross and Blue Shield of New Jersey – for the provision of employee and retiree medical plan benefits – for the contract period of July 1, 2020 through and inclusive of June 30, 2021 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 206(20) – Authorization to enter into an agreement for the Employee Assistance Program with Saint Barnabas E.A.P./Division of the Saint Barnabas Management Services – for the period of August 1, 2020 through and inclusive of July 31, 2022 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, with Dr. Maurice Hill and Senator Robert Singer abstaining, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 207(20) – Authorization to enter into an agreement with United Healthcare Group Medicare Advantage (PPO) – for the provision of retiree medical plan benefits – effective September 1, 2020 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 208(20) – Authorization to enter into an agreement with TimeTrak Systems, Inc. (State Contract #41264) – for time management system equipment and maintenance – for the period August 13, 2020 through December 31, 2020 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 209(20) – Authorization to enter into an agreement with AlcoholEdu by Everfi – not to exceed \$5,000 – and authorization to enter into an agreement with Georgian Court University – AlcoholEdu curriculum for the 2020-2021 academic year – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 210(20) – Authorization to enter into contract with Chesed – to provide CPR training to residents of Ocean County – in an amount not to exceed \$3,500 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 211(20) – Authorization to make purchases through The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS) with Henry Schein Medical for Emergency Responder Equipment, Supplies and Services (Contract #180102) – for emergency supplies – in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

- Resolution 212(20)** – Authorization to utilize and administer the competitive contracting process as set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1 et seq. – to procure a contract with a vendor to provide a Customizable Electronic Health Record System – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.
- Resolution 213(20)** – Authorization to approve the recommendations of the Local Advisory Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (LACADA) to reallocate funds of the 2020 County Comprehensive Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Grant – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.
- Resolution 214(20)** – Authorization to approve the recommendations of the Local Advisory Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (LACADA) to allocate funds for the extended FY2020 fifth quarter – total amount not to exceed \$71,980.00 – for the period July 1, 2020 through September 30, 2020 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, with Ms. Jennifer Bacchione abstaining on Berkeley; Ms. Barbara Jo Crea abstaining on Little Egg Harbor; Dr. Maurice Hill abstaining on Toms River; and Ms. Veronica Laureigh abstaining on Lacey; and unanimously approved.
- Resolution 215(20)** – Authorization to approve the recommendations of the Local Advisory Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (LACADA) to allocate funds for the FY2021 – total amount not to exceed \$215,940.00 – for the period October 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, with Ms. Jennifer Bacchione abstaining on Berkeley; Ms. Barbara Jo Crea abstaining on Little Egg Harbor; Dr. Maurice Hill abstaining on Toms River; and Ms. Veronica Laureigh abstaining on Lacey; and unanimously approved.
- Resolution 216(20)** – Authorization to forward three (3) vehicles for public auction – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.
- Resolution 217(20)** – Authorization to accept New Jersey Department of Human Services, Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services Innovative Grant – in an amount not to exceed \$229,936.00 – for the period June 30, 2020 through June 29, 2021 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.
- Resolution 218(20)** – Authorization to apply for an increase in New Jersey Department of Health Local Core Capacity for Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program Grant – in an increase amount not to exceed \$331,000.00 – for a revised total amount not to exceed \$631,860.00 – 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 219(20)** – Authorization to contact facilities conducive for the purpose of housing residents as a result of COVID-19 infection or exposure for the purpose of disease mitigation as it relates to isolation and/or quarantine – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.
- Resolution 220(20)** – Authorization to enter into an agreement with the County of Ocean – reimbursement for COVID-19 related expenses – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.
- Resolution 221(20)** – Authorization to waive the fee for the seasonal flu vaccinations for the 2020/21 seasonal flu season – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.
- Resolution 222(20)** – Recognition of September 2020 as National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 223(20) – Recognition of September 2020 as National Preparedness Month – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 224(20) – Recognition of September 2020 as National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 225(20) – Recognition of September 2020 as National Childhood Obesity Awareness Month – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 226(20) – Recognition of September 2020 as Fruits and Veggies Month – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 227(20) – Recognition of September 2020 as Board and Care Recognition Month – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 228(20) – Authorization to accept the DHSTS State HIV Prevention Program Grant – in an amount not to exceed \$23,000.00 – for the period July 1, 2020 through September 30, 2020 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 229(20) – Authorization to accept the Special Child Health Services Grant – in an amount not to exceed \$36,250.00 – for the period July 1, 2020 through September 30, 2020 – Motion was made by Senator Robert Singer, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and unanimously approved.

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

Comments from Freeholder Little: Freeholder Gerry P. Little, Liaison to the Board of Chosen Freeholders expressed great appreciation from the Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders to the Ocean County Board of Health, Mr. Daniel Regenye, Public Health Coordinator/Health Officer; Mr. Brian Rumpf, Director of Administration and Program Development; Ms. Jennifer Crawford, Supervising Field Representative Disease Control; and Mr. Brian Lippai, Chief of Administrative Services; and the Ocean County Health Department staff for the phenomenal work everyone is doing with the COVID-19 pandemic.

Senator Robert Singer asked about events occurring within Ocean County where COVID exposure may have occurred and cooperation from the event organizers. Discussion ensued regarding this topic.

7. Other Matters:

COVID-19: Mr. Daniel Regenye, Public Health Coordinator/Health Officer echoed Freeholder Little's comments and added appreciation for the Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders, the Ocean County staff, and the staff at the Ocean County Health Department because it is really a team effort.

Mr. Regenye provided some highlights and statistics of the COVID information included in the Board packets. Mr. Regenye stated that the number of cases in Ocean County is approaching 11,000. Mr. Regenye noted that according to the documentation

going back to early June, the curve is flattening with the positivity rate, the number of deaths, and the long term care facilities. Mr. Regenye stated that nearly 8,000 tests were performed at the Ocean County College. The COVID-19 tests are available at the Ocean County College on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays between 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon for any Ocean County resident, scripts are not required and even if you are asymptomatic, you may get tested. Mr. Regenye did inform the Board that there is a delay in receiving the results from the lab, which is consistent across the state in other counties.

Mr. Regenye provided an update with the schools and the re-opening in September. Mr. Regenye stated that weekly calls are held with the school nurses and school administrators. Mr. Regenye added that this taskforce has been very active and there has been very good dialogue with the school superintendents, school administrators, and school nurses.

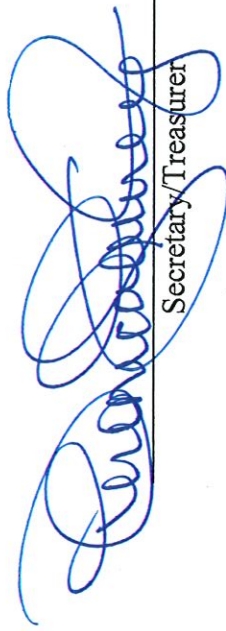
Dr. Maurice Hill discussed the New Jersey Hospital Association Reports which provides daily count of COVID-19 positive patients and in the past had included the number of ICU beds. Dr. Hill stated that this data may be more helpful than the cumulative data. Dr. Hill did provide the figures reported by the local hospitals. Dr. Hill stated that the data shows a flattening of the curve since mid-June and feels restaurants, fitness centers, movie theaters, to name a few, should be allowed to open at 25% capacity.

Ms. Jennifer Bacchione discussed schools opening remotely in September. Ms. Bacchione stated that schools operating remotely cause hardships for both the children and the parents.

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 Dr. Maurice Hill, seconded by Ms. Carol Blake, and the meeting adjourned at 9:46 a.m.



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