

Ocean County Board of Health
 175 Sunset Avenue
 Toms River, New Jersey
 October 18, 2023
 9:30 AM

The Regular Meeting of the Ocean County Board of Health was called to order on October 18, 2023 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, Chairman asked everyone to join him in honoring our military service members who protect our freedom every day.

3. Roll Call:

Ms. Jennifer Bacchione
 Dr. Avinash Gupta
 Dr. Maurice Hill
 Dr. Theresa Kubiel
 Mr. John J. Mallon, Chairman

Daniel E. Regenye, Public Health Coordinator
 John Sahradnik, Board Counsel
 Commissioner Deputy Director Gary Quinn, Liaison to the Board of Health

4. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes:

On motion made by Dr. Theresa Kubiel, seconded by Ms. Jennifer Bacchione, with Dr. Maurice Hill abstaining, the open meeting minutes from the September 27, 2023 meeting, were approved.

Name	Bacchione	Gupta	Hill	Kubiel	Laureigh	Mancini	Scaturro	Singer	Mallon
Ayes	X	X		X					X
Abstain			X						
Nays									
Absent					X	X	X	X	

Mr. John J. Mallon, Chairman, asked for a motion for the consent agenda on resolutions 277(23) through 293(23) and to follow the abstention list. Motion was made by Dr. Theresa Kubiel, seconded by Ms. Jennifer Bacchione, and unanimously approved.

5. Adoption of Resolutions:

Resolution 277(23) – Finance Committee Report – October 18, 2023 - \$350,949.11 – Motion was made by Dr. Theresa Kubiel, seconded by Ms. Jennifer Bacchione, with Dr. Avinash Gupta abstaining on Item #23-02245; and Dr. Theresa Kubiel abstaining on Item #23-02245, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 278(23) – Personnel Committee Report – October 18, 2023 – Motion was made by Dr. Theresa Kubiel, seconded by Ms. Jennifer Bacchione, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 279(23) – Authorization to enter into an Intergovernmental Services Agreement with the County of Ocean for Vehicle Maintenance Services for the year 2024 – Motion was made by Dr. Theresa Kubiel, seconded by Ms. Jennifer Bacchione, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 280(23) – Authorization to execute an agreement with CHEMED to provide dental clinic services for the calendar year 2024 – in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 – Motion was made by Dr. Theresa Kubiel, seconded by Ms. Jennifer Bacchione, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 281(23) – Authorization to execute an agreement with Ocean Health Initiatives to provide dental clinic services for calendar year 2024 – in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 – Motion was made by Dr. Theresa Kubiel, seconded by Ms. Jennifer Bacchione, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 282(23) – Recommendations to Ocean County Board of Commissioners for appointment to the Local Advisory Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (LACADA) – Motion was made by Dr. Theresa Kubiel, seconded by Ms. Jennifer Bacchione, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 283(23) – Adoption of the Procurement Card Usage Policy – effective October 18, 2023 – Motion was made by Dr. Theresa Kubiel, seconded by Ms. Jennifer Bacchione, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 284(23) – Authorization to designate Assistant Chief Accountant Andrew Coppola as the Procurement Card Program Manager – Motion was made by Dr. Theresa Kubiel, seconded by Ms. Jennifer Bacchione, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 285(23) – Authorization to enter into a linking agreement with Bank of America for the use of procurement cards – in accordance with the terms and conditions of State Cooperative Pricing Contract T1654 – through July 31, 2024 – Motion was made by Dr. Theresa Kubiel, seconded by Ms. Jennifer Bacchione, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 286(23) – Authorization to enter into an agreement for laboratory testing to be performed by New Jersey Department of Health, Public Health and Environmental Laboratory – total amount not to exceed \$17,500.00 – for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 – Motion was made by Dr. Theresa Kubiel, seconded by Ms. Jennifer Bacchione, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 287(23) – Authorization to enter into a Letter of Understanding with Ocean Health Initiatives – WIC satellite facility – for the period October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024 – at no cost to the agency – Motion was made by Dr. Theresa Kubiel, seconded by Ms. Jennifer Bacchione, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 288(23) – Authorization to enter into a Letter of Understanding with Brick School District Preschool Program – Ocean County WIC Program – at no cost to the agency – for the period October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024 – Motion was made by Dr. Theresa Kubiel, seconded by Ms. Jennifer Bacchione, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 289(23) – Authorization to enter into an agreement with SUNY Delhi – to accept students for practical experience in various health related activities – at no cost to the agency – for the period October 18, 2023 through October 17, 2024 – Motion was made by Dr. Theresa Kubiel, seconded by Ms. Jennifer Bacchione, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 290(23) – Recognition of November 2023 as American Diabetes Month – Motion was made by Dr. Theresa Kubiel, seconded by Ms. Jennifer Bacchione, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 291(23) – Recognition of November 16, 2023 as the Great American Smokeout – Motion was made by Dr. Theresa Kubiel, seconded by Ms. Jennifer Bacchione, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 292(23) – Recognition of October 25, 2023 as Pretty in Pink/Handsome in Blue – Motion was made by Dr. Theresa Kubiel, seconded by Ms. Jennifer Bacchione, and unanimously approved.

Resolution 293(23) – Authorization to enter into an Agreement to purchase materials, supplies or equipment from McKesson Medical-Surgical Government Solutions LLC for a period not to exceed 6 months starting on October 18, 2023 and not to exceed \$100,000.00 – Motion was made by Dr. Theresa Kubiel, seconded by Ms. Jennifer Bacchione, and unanimously approved.

6. Comments: Commissioner Deputy Director Gary Quinn, Liaison to the Board of Health:

Comments from Commissioner Deputy Director Gary Quinn: Commissioner Deputy Director Gary Quinn, Liaison to the Board of Health stated that at today's meeting he would pass his time to speak to Mr. Daniel Regenye, Public Health Coordinator/Health Officer.

7. Other Matters:

Boardroom: Mr. Daniel Regenye, Public Health Coordinator/Health Officer stated that the walls in the Boardroom were painted. Mr. Regenye continued that all the wall decorations had been removed with plans to incorporate more current photographs such as the pictures taken after the last Board meeting and pictures of all the sites in addition to incorporating some of the previous pictures, plaques and proclamations.

Health fairs: Mr. Regenye stated that Ms. Patricia High, Assistant Public Health Coordinator will discuss a very successful event the Health Department held last week and an upcoming program for Veterans.

Ms. High stated that the Health Department had postponed and reinitiated our annual health fairs, hosting about five per year. Ms. High stated that most recently the Health Department held a Hispanic Health Fair on October 12, 2023 in recognition of Hispanic Heritage Month. Ms. High added that the fair was a tremendous success, over 250 people attended, many different clinical and other agency services were provided, many resources were available and many vendors came.

Ms. High discussed the upcoming program to be held on November 16, 2023. Ms. High informed the Board about the inaugural Veterans Health Fair. Ms. High stated the Health

Department is working in conjunction with the County of Ocean (Ms. High thanked Commissioner Deputy Director Quinn) and the Ocean County Veterans Service Bureau. Ms. High stressed that we really need to invest in our Veterans and those who have served. Ms. High mentioned some of the services that would be available at the health fair, such as chronic disease screening services, Hepatitis C testing and treatment services, mental health resources, assistance to eligibility, access to medical care transportation through the VSB and much more.

Ms. High stated that additional health fairs will begin again starting in 2024. Ms. High added that March is National Nutrition Month and there will be a fair, in April a Multi-Cultural Health Fair will be held and in June the Health Department will host a Senior Health Fair.

Commissioner Deputy Director Quinn informed the Board that the County of Ocean had a ribbon cutting in Manchester Township for the opening of another Veterans Services satellite office. Commissioner Deputy Director Quinn added that the intent is to provide coverage throughout the entire county.

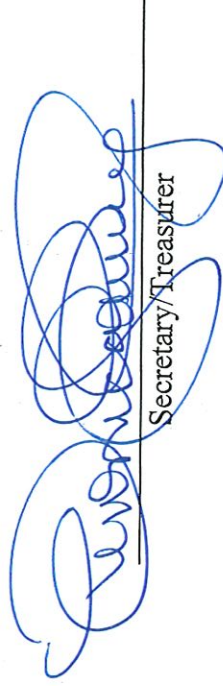
Ambulance response time follow-up: Dr. Maurice Hill stated that he reached out to Dr. Gupta with data on the ambulance emergency services response and answered his questions.

Berkeley Health Fair: Ms. Jennifer Bacchione provided information about the health fair held in Berkeley Township last Tuesday. Ms. Bacchione stated that the fair was a successful event, staff was amazing, RWJBarnabas Health was also in attendance and provided wonderful services, and she thanked everyone.

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. Theresa Kubiel, seconded by Ms. Jennifer Bacchione, and the meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.



Secretary/Treasurer