

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**of the**  
**SUMMIT BOARD OF HEALTH**  
**Monday Evening – September 26, 2022**  
**7:00 P.M.**  
**Summit City Hall**  
**Large Conference Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor**

The Meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m. by Dr. Berardi, President.

President Berardi read the following Meeting Notice: “Adequate notice of this Meeting has been provided by the Secretary of the Board of Health by the preparation of the Annual Notice of Meeting Dates which set forth the date, time and place of this Meeting and by properly posting such notice and forwarding the notice to those designated newspapers and the persons requesting Meeting notices.”

**PRESENT ON ROLL CALL:** Mr. John Staunton; Dr. Jill Rathyen; Dr. Richard Berardi; and Ms. Hermelinda Robinson.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Megan Avallone, Health Officer; N. Gayle Mauro, Registrar/Board Secretary; George Kornias, REHS; Christie Calmon, REHS; Bridget Colendenski, PHN; Susan Hairston, Liaison, and Widya Pertusi, Owner of Batavia Café.

**ABSENT ON ROLL CALL:** Dr. Robert Slama; Mrs. Barbara Plyer; and Ms. Milissa Aronson.

**BOARD HEARING—**

**Batavia Café—**Mr. Kornias and Ms. Calmon reviewed violations found over a period of three failed inspections of Batavia Café, located at 356 Springfield Avenue. Ms. Pertusi, owner, addressed the issues and has resolved them.

Discussion took place.

The Board agreed not to impose any sanctions since Ms. Pertusi made the necessary corrections and has passed inspection. However, Ms. Avallone and the Board made suggestions for keeping the restaurant in compliance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES—May 23, 2022—**Dr. Rathyen made a motion to approve the Minutes, seconded by Mr. Staunton, and unanimously approved by all members present.

**REVIEW OF BILLS September 2022—**Dr. Berardi made a motion to approve the bill list totaling \$22,288.19, seconded by Dr. Rathyen. Roll call vote taken: Mr. Staunton—Aye; Dr. Rathyen—Aye; Dr. Berardi—Aye; and Ms. Robinson—Aye.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** – None.

**ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST REPORTS—** Report reviewed by George Kornias, REHS.

**PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE’S REPORT—**Report reviewed by Bridget Colendenski, PHN.

**HEALTH OFFICER’S REPORT—**

**Emerging infectious disease update—**Ms. Avallone reported COVID is in low activity, but a bad flu season is anticipated, and Norovirus is being seen as well. Monkeypox has stabilized with just under seven hundred cases statewide. Polio is being monitored. The CDC has set up a wastewater monitoring system in New Jersey and as of now, there was none found in the wastewater. New Jersey anticipates six to twelve thousand Ukrainian refugees arriving in the next few months. We’re told they are all fully immunized by the time they arrive. COVID and flu clinics will be taking place at Jefferson School. At home COVID test kits are available at City Hall, with a limit of four per family.

Ms. Avallone discussed Mr. Chi, owner of Yang’s Hot Dog Cart, presenting before the Mayor and Council to discuss fines he received from the Health Department. Ms. Avallone explained fines were issued because it was difficult getting Mr. Chi into compliance for years. Ms. Avallone met with Mr. Chi and the Mayor. Ms. Avallone provided Mr. Chi a cheat sheet with simple instructions regarding his food operation and proper hand washing technique.

**OLD BUSINESS** – President Berardi discussed the attendance policy for Board members.

**LBOH Training**—Ms. Avallone provided a link for the Board members to take the online training for Sustainable Jersey to achieve the Board of Health Gold Standard. Ms. Avallone asked the Board members to email their certificates to her once the training is completed.

**NEW BUSINESS**—

**Codification of City Health Code**— The Board members were advised codification of the Health Code is currently in the process of being done and the Board should consider any changes they would like to see incorporated into the code.

**ADJOURNMENT** – There being no further business a motion by Mr. Staunton was made at 7:49 P.M., seconded by Dr. Rathen, and unanimously approved by all members present.

Respectfully submitted,

  
N. Gayle Mauro, Board Secretary