

ALLENDALE

Minutes of the Board of Health

September 8, 2011

ROLL CALL: A regular meeting of the Allendale Board of Health was held in the Municipal Building on the above date. The meeting was called to order at 8 p.m. by Robin Iversen, President.

The following members were present: Robin Iversen, Donna Fichera, Linda Morgan, Nadine Benoit, Christopher Martin, Bruce Beck, and Maria Crean. Also present was Linda Quinn.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The June 2011 Minutes were accepted with a motion to approve by Bruce Beck and seconded by Maria Crean.

SECRETARY/REGISTRAR'S REPORT:

Child Health Clinic **June** – No children attended.
 July - No children attended.
 August – One child attended.

Adult Health Clinic 3 residents attended the Clinic held in August.

Vital Statistics **June** - 2 Births, 6 Deaths, 1 Marriage
 July - 5 Births, 5 Deaths, 1 Marriage
 August - 6 births, 2 Deaths, 0 Marriage

Receipts **June** - \$28.00 in marriage licenses, \$10.00 in Retail Food, \$70.00
 in Certified Copies, totaling \$108.00.
 July- \$56.00 in Marriage Licenses, \$70.00 in Certified Copies,
 totaling \$126.00.
 August- \$28.00 in Marriage Licenses, \$125.00 in Retail Food,
 \$10.00 in Certified Copies, \$100.00 Miscellaneous, totaling
 \$263.00.

COMMUNICATION/CORRESPONDENCE

-Letter and attachments from Bergen County office of Health Promotions as to what pamphlets and videos are available to the Board of Health.

-Letter from Bergen County Surrogate's office offering services to Allendale seniors regarding Wills, Probate Procedures, Estates, Powers of Attorney, Medical Directives, etc.

HEALTH OFFICER/SANITARY REPORT

JUNE

-Dog Bites – A few dog bites during the summer. A woman from Clifton adopted a dog from an Allendale resident, brought it home and it attacked the dog she had. The Clifton woman returned the dog to the Allendale woman. Once she had it back in her possession she put it on line again, and by the time Linda contacted her, the dog was readopted by someone in Pennsylvania. After speaking to Tyco, we realized that we didn't have to be involved in this because it was a dog bite that took place in Clifton and animal control in Clifton would handle it.

-Noshers Rye had issues with their chicken salad. I observed their preparation of same and took three samples for analysis. The results are now satisfactory.

-Crestwood Lake – received one complaint during the summer which was addressed.

-Bat incident – Resident woke up with a bat on her finger and released it outdoors. She was advised to go and get rabies shots.

-Camp inspections went fine. Camp Acorn is still at Calvary Church and are offering programs during the week and on Saturday as well. Inspected Summer Super Stars Camp and they, too, were satisfactory.

-Inspected the Guardian Angel Church carnival function and food vendors who were satisfactory.

-Inspected Starbucks who was satisfactory.

-Asian Cuisine - performed Chapter 24 and found some cleaning violations.

-Blimpie's – performed Chapter 24 and found them satisfactory although temperatures were slightly elevated in one refrigerator.

JULY

-Fell House – met with two ladies who want to do catering and wanted to know what the kitchen requirements would be. Additionally, they had to check with the building department as well.

-Consulted with Tyco and our attorney re cat issue on Franklin Turnpike.

-Dunkin Donuts, performed Chapter 24 and they were satisfactory.

-A&P inspected odor in store and same was abated. Consulted twice with A&P

Corporate headquarters re licensing/inspection of AFC Sushi now being prepared in A&P.

-Stopped at Flirt Sushi and Allendale Nursing Home to give participants their food manager's certificates.

-Complaint received by board of health that child with diaper on sat on the counter at Dunkin Donuts. Discussed complaint with them.

-A&P Deli – performed Chapter 24 and violations were noted. Hand wash sink was turned off.

-Met with head lifeguard at Crestwood Lake concerning complaint that was received by board of health.

AUGUST

-Two cats observed at 117 Franklin Turnpike. Consulted with Tyco.

-Bat incident on Franklin Turnpike. Consulted with County nurse and Tyco. No notification was given to Board of Health. Three bats were removed from the home, were tested and found negative. Homeowner contacted a company to investigate how the bats entered the home and was advised not to leave their doors open since it was felt that was the point of entry.

-Reinspected A&P Deli and they were satisfactory.

-A&P Dairy - performed Chapter 24 and found seven items out of code.

-Complaint received that Masa Sushi had stacked dirty dishes with cigarettes ashes/butts on the plates in kitchen. Reminded owner that smoking in the kitchen is not permitted. While I was there I also observed that the person in the kitchen doing food preparation was using his bare hands, no gloves. Discussed same with them and summons will be issued.

-Consulted with new owner of Louie's Place where Darla's Porch used to be.

-A&P Grocery Chapter 24 checked all medications and baby food/formula

Seafood Chapter 24 was satisfactory

Produce and Salad Bar performed Chapter 24 and same was satisfactory.

-Masha Sushi – reviewed file, consulted with Court, issued summons and sent same both regular and certified mail.

-Allendale Eats – Complaint received about dumpster in rear of store. Wrote out complaint and gave it to the store owner, Mr. Robert Jernick.

-Crestwood Lake was closed Monday and Tuesday due to Hurricane Irene. There were no lifeguards on duty late afternoon Tuesday. Consulted with County and Jean re lake status.

-During Hurricane Irene only a few establishments lost electricity. Inspected Restaurant L to check refrigeration temperatures and since they lost power for more than 24 hours, many items had to be discarded.

-Consulted with Keith Cauwenberghs from the DPW regarding Crestwood Lake. The flood water overflowed into the lake and the lake water went from relatively clear to very brown. Contacted the director of the County Environmental Division re Crestwood Lake. He asked if there were any oils in the lake and I was advised there were none. His recommendation was to check the fecal coliforms and if they were satisfactory they could reopen. On Tuesday we wrote a memo to the Board of Health members and Mayor Barra advising them of same. Late the next day, Wednesday, a memo came out from the State saying that a sanitary survey is required prior to opening to see if there are any points of pollution that could have entered the lake from the flood waters. When I arrived in Allendale on Thursday I was surprised to learn that the fecal coliforms were low. I was told that the lake would reopen on Friday afternoon. However, that day I conferred with a few other people about the lake. I also telephoned the State, who advised that a sanitary survey would have to be done basically for the protection of the Allendale residents who would be swimming in the lake. This made sense because anyone who had flooding could have had an oil tank in the basement, an oil spill in the garage, bags of fertilizer or any other chemicals stored in flooded areas. All of these could definitely have entered the lake and caused contamination. We were told that rescuers who entered flood waters were getting DPT shots. The gentleman from the State was also very concerned about entrapment issues.....i.e. if someone goes under, how would they be found since the water was murky. All in all, it was a huge safety concern for the Allendale residents. At this point I called the Mayor and advised him of what the gentleman from the State Health Department told me and that all were very concerned as to whether or not it was safe to swim in the lake. No one knew what flowed into the lake during the hurricane and felt it was better to be safe and keep it closed.

-Village Pasta & Pizza – Refrigeration temperatures were satisfactory after the hurricane.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Nothing new to report.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Nothing new to report.

MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC

-No one came forward.

A motion to adjourn was made by Donna Fichera and seconded by Christopher Martin. The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Manus, Secretary
Allendale Board of Health