

Town of Dover
Board of Health, February 8, 2010

The regular monthly meeting of the Dover Board of Health was held in Town Hall, 37 N. Sussex Street, Dover.

Board President Marie Hoffman called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and announced that the meeting complies with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act and has been duly advertised and posted.

Secretary Donna Cook called roll.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Darlene Kasko, Marie Hoffman, Constance Sibona-Foster,
Donna Cook, Sandra Scarneo, Judith Rugg,

ABSENT: Irene Hansen, Christopher Chapman

ALSO PRESENT: Jack Delaney, Alderman
Donald Costanzo, Health Officer

A motion to accept the minutes from the January 2010 Reorganization Meeting of the Board of Health was made by Sandra Scarneo, and duly seconded by Donna Cook.

ALL AYES; NO NAYS

A motion to accept the minutes from the January 2010 Regular Meeting of the Board of Health was made by Donna Cook, and duly seconded by Connie Foster.

ALL AYES; NO NAYS

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Letter from Sanofi Pasteur to the Dover Health Department dated January 2010; re: influenza virus vaccine.
2. Letter from Diane Silbernagel, Exec. Dir., Hope House, to the HO dated 1/13/10; re: orientation breakfast.

3. Letter from Spruce Senior Housing to the HO dated 1/5/10; re: health department programs.
4. Letter from North Porch at St John's Church to the HO dated 1/20/10; re: North Porch Program.
5. Letter from Saint Clare's Hospital to the HO dated 2/1/10; re: signed agreement for nursing services.

President Marie Hoffman asked if there was any significant correspondence. The HO stated there was no significant correspondence.

OLD BUSINESS:

Copies of the combined monthly report for January 2010 were distributed to the board for review.

The HO reported to the Board that H1N1 clinics were offered at Town Hall in the Court Room on January 7th and 21st, from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm. The turn-out was somewhat light with 103 persons vaccinated on the 7th and 65 persons vaccinated on the 21st.

Due to the decline in interest, future H1N1 vaccinations are being offered at the Nurse's Office on Thursdays from 2:00pm to 4:00 pm. They are by appointment. This will be offered throughout the winter and spring season.

The HO mentioned the unusual bat activity. On 2 occasions the ACO responded to bats flying around inside homes. The activity was probably related to a warm spell, but the real surprise was that one (1) bat tested positive for rabies. In both cases there was no human contact with the bat.

The HO provided the board with an update on The Missionaries of God. The HO visited the site twice; once when it first opened and recently as a follow-up. The church facility is large. No problems were noted. The HO asked Missionaries to remind their clientele not to litter and to be respectful of the residential neighborhood.

The HO resubmitted the board approved budget with several funding alternatives for part-time clerical help. As suggested by the board at its last meeting, alternative reduction in hours to cover the busiest time of the day or to cover the office during vacation and emergency sick leave only were offered.

At last month's meeting, Connie Foster asked about the status of the previously submitted Cigarette Container ordinance. The HO talked to Mr. Close, Administrator, who is reviewing the ordinance.

The Administrator explained that there are various aspects to a cigarette butt container ordinance that should be considered. For example, issues such as the potential for

cigarette butt containers to encourage people to smoke; creating attractive nuisances; potential unsightliness of containers; tailoring requirements for containers to problem locations instead of all food/business establishments.

NEW BUSINESS:

Influenza surveillance activity level currently at: SPORADIC

Scheduled H1N1 Vaccination Clinics:

February 4
February 11
February 18
February 25

Clinics are by appointment only, from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm in the Nurse's Office. To schedule a vaccination, please call: 973-366-2200, x 120, 125.

Male Cancer Screening Program is scheduled for March 24th, from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm. The program is for Dover men, 40 years of age or older. The focus is early detection/prevention.

THE MEETING WAS OPENED TO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD WHO WISHED TO DISCUSS ANY PARTICULAR ISSUE.

Sandra Scarneo asked why garbage collection was suspended on Saturday, February 6th. The HO responded that it was in response to a severe snow storm forecast. As it turned out, the storm did not reach Morris County but the garbage company had closed its offices. Blue Diamond, the contractor, made-up for the missed collection.

THE MEETING WAS OPENED TO MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC WHO WISHED TO DISCUSS A PARTICULAR ISSUE.

No members of the general public were present.

Upon completion of the public portion of the meeting, President Marie Hoffman entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. **A motion to adjourn the meeting** was made by Donna Cook and seconded by Darlene Kasko.

ALL AYES; NO NAYS

MEETING ADJOURNED