



## MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 16, 2022 BOARD OF HEALTH REGULAR MEETING



### **Call to Order:**

The February 16, 2022 Regular Meeting of the Board of Health was called to order at 6:35 pm by Chairperson Colleen Labow. The meeting was held via video conferencing (Zoom).

### **Open Public Meetings Act Announcement:**

The Board Secretary made the following announcement:

“In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act and the Emergency Remote Meeting Protocol for Local Public Bodies, adequate and electronic notice of this remote meeting has been given to the Daily Record, posting notice on the Township website and on the outside front door & bulletin board of the Municipal Building, 204 Flanders-Drakestown Road, Mount Olive Township, New Jersey and notices were sent to those requesting the same.”

### **Roll Call:**

*Present:* Colleen Labow, Dr. Abrams, Mark Kana, Laura Hawkins, Kathleen Olup, Karen Feldman and Dr. Miccio (6:52 pm)

*Absent:* None

The Chairperson recognized; Health Officer, Trevor Weigle; Deputy Director/Assistant Health Officer, Derrick Webb; Board of Health Secretary, Michele Doucette; and Attorney, Peter King.

The Board of Health Secretary gave the Oath of Office to Dr. Abrams, Dr. Miccio and Laura Hawkins each for another three-year term.

### **Review of the Minutes:**

The minutes of the January 19, 2022 Reorganization and Regular Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Dr. Abrams and second by Mark Kana; all Members present were in favor.

### **Written Reports & Correspondence:**

*Report:* The Health Officer reviewed the Public Health Activities Report for January 2022. He noted that COVID cases were slowing down. He noted as of January no services were

provided to Dover. He noted Senior Transportation Services started in January for Washington Twp. residents and that Mt Olive purchased their bus.

Board Member Labow asked about three cats that were euthanized in 2021. The Deputy Director noted that he would investigate and get back to her.

Board Member Miccio asked how many deaths were COVID related. The Health Officer noted in his report that only the primary cause of death as noted on the death certificate is reported. Board Member Miccio asked where the state gets their totals on COVID deaths. The Deputy Director noted the State may get their statistics from CDRSS data reports.

Board Member Olup noted that on March 7, 2022 schools will be mask optional.

*Correspondence:* None

The Public Health Activities Report for January 2022 was approved on a motion by Dr. Abrams and second by Ms. Hawkins: all Members present were in favor.

**New Business:**

Board Member Labow announced new senior equipment was ordered and was going to be installed at the park next to the Mount Olive Manor in Flanders.

The Health Officer noted that a proposal for an amendment to increase, decrease or move some fees will be presented at a future meeting.

**Ordinance on First Reading:** None

**Ordinance on Second Reading:** None

**Resolutions:** 2022-10 thru 2022-13

**RESOLUTION NO. BOH 2022-10**

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT OLIVE AUTHORIZING AN INTERLOCAL SHARED HEALTH SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOARD OF HEALTH OF MOUNT OLIVE AND THE BOARD OF HEALTH OF THE BOROUGH OF WHARTON PURSUANT TO THE UNIFORMED SHARED SERVICES AND CONSOLIDATION ACT, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1, ET SEQ., AND N.J.S.A. 26:3A2-1, ET SEQ.

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Health of the Borough of Wharton has requested that the Health Department of the Township of Mount Olive furnish to the Board of Health for the Borough of Wharton, shared health services as set forth in *N.J.S.A. 26:3A2-1, et seq.* and *N.J.S.A.40A:65-1, et seq.*; and

**WHEREAS**, based on the discussions and agreement between the Township of Mount Olive Township Administrator and Health Officer and the Borough of Wharton Administrator, the Board hereby authorizes an inter local health services agreement between the Board of Health of the Township of Mount Olive and the Board of Health of the Borough

of Wharton for the purpose of establishing the aforementioned inter local agreement for shared health services; and

**WHEREAS**, said Agreement is for shared services to be provided for the calendar years 2022, 2023, and 2024, respectively.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Health for the Township of Mount Olive, that a Uniform Shared Services Agreement between the Board of Health of the Township of Mount Olive and the Board of Health of the Borough of Wharton is authorized and fully endorsed (by its members) for the Health Officer of Mount Olive Township to proceed with this Agreement.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this Resolution and the Uniform Shared Services Agreement be forwarded to the Mount Olive Township Council for approval based on the Boards' recommendation that the Agreement be executed.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a notice of this action shall be printed once in the legal newspaper of the Board of Health as required by law.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. BOH 2022-11**

##### **RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT OLIVE RECOGNIZING THE RETIREMENT OF ROBERT STAHLHUT**

**WHEREAS**, Robert Stahlhut started his public health career as a Sanitary Inspector for the Monmouth County Health Department in 1984 before coming to Mount Olive Township as an Environmental Health Specialist on June 13, 1988, being promoted to Senior Environmental Health Specialist in 1996, and eventually Chief Registered Environmental Health Specialist in 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert worked with countless employees and elected officials of the Township during his tenure and has always exhibited hard work, dedication and patience. Even in the midst of some difficult challenges, Robert was always able to get the job done without having it affect the quality of his work; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert was always of great help to his fellow employees who needed his guidance, especially when they were new to the field of environmental health; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert served as a mentor the Department's Registered Environmental Health Specialist (REHSs) and served as the Internship Site Evaluator for the Department for 30 + years; assisting with providing essential training to Rutgers University Environmental and Public Health Student seeking to enter the field of Environmental Health; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert was pivotal in establishing and managing the Department's License to Operate Individual Subsurface Sewage Disposal Systems Program; a NJ State model program aimed at increasing the longevity of individual sewage disposal systems and reducing their impact on the environment, and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Health of the Township of Mount Olive that we wish Robert happiness and future success as he begins a new chapter in his life; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that we thank him for his thirty-three years of service to the Township.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. BOH 2022-12**

##### **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR HEALTH EDUCATION**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Mount Olive Board of Health has a need to obtain services for health education; and

**WHEREAS**, Mount Olive Township Board of Health provides shared health services to the following municipalities: Borough of Netcong, Borough of Mount Arlington, Borough of Wharton, and Township of Mine Hill; and

**WHEREAS**, delivery of health education services is contained in the Shared Health Services Agreements with the communities Mount Olive Township Board of Health serves; and

**WHEREAS**, each local health agency is required and shall provide a comprehensive health education and health promotion program; and

**WHEREAS**, each local health agency shall implement and evaluate, culturally and “linguistically-based” health education; and

**WHEREAS**, health education and promotional activities are developed in accordance with the Community Health Improvement Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, each local health agency shall ensure that health education and promotion services provide the “core” public health functions and the delivery of the ten essential health services as per *N.J.A.C. 8:52-3.2(a), et seq.* 1-10; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Mount Olive Board of Health has determined and certified in writing that the value of these services will not exceed \$35,000; and

**WHEREAS**, the term of this Agreement shall be from October 21, 2021 to September 30, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, Christie Jaime, MPH, CHES has agreed to said services for a fee not to exceed \$35,000 based upon a rate of \$50.00 per hour; and

**WHEREAS**, funds for this purpose have been budgeted and certified by the Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Mount Olive;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Health of the Township of Mount Olive, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, that the Board of Health hereby appoints Christie Jaime, MPH, CHES, of 56 Omaha Avenue, Rockaway, NJ 07866, as Health Education Consultant for the period October 21, 2021 to September 30, 2022, under the terms attached hereto, not to exceed \$35,000.

## **RESOLUTION NO. BOH 2022-13**

### **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR GRANT MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Mount Olive Board of Health has a need to obtain services for the management of a New Jersey Department of Health grant entitled, *Strengthening Local Public Health Capacity Program 2021-22*; and

**WHEREAS**, the *Strengthening Local Public Health Capacity Program 2021-22* grant provides funding in the amount of \$291,042 for reimbursement of COVID-19 related expenses and the hiring of two full time Vulnerable Populations Outreach/COVID Generalist staff; and

**WHEREAS**, Mount Olive Township Board of Health provides shared health services to the following municipalities: Borough of Netcong, Borough of Mount Arlington, Borough of Wharton, Town of Dover and Township of Mine Hill who will also benefit from this grant; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Mount Olive Chief Financial Officer has determined and certified in writing that the value of the service will not exceed \$15,400; and

**WHEREAS**, the term of this Agreement shall be from October 21, 2021 to June 30, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, Christie Jaime, MPH, CHES has agreed to provide these services for a fee not to exceed \$15,400 based upon a rate of \$50.00 per hour.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Health of the Township of Mount Olive, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, that the Board of Health hereby appoints Christie Jaime, MPH, CHES, of 56 Omaha Avenue, Rockaway, NJ

07866, as *Strengthening Local Public Health Capacity Program 2021-22 Program Manager* for the period October 21, 2021 to June 30, 2022, under the terms attached hereto, not to exceed \$15,400.

Resolutions 2022-10 thru 2022-13 were approved on a motion by Dr. Abrams and second by Mr. Kana; all Members present were in favor.

**Unfinished Business:** None

**Legal Business:** None

**Public Portion:** None

**Board Comments:**

Board Member Kana asked if Dr. Wallack resigned. The Health Officer noted Dr. Wallack asked not to be reappointed. Mr. Kana then asked why the Mt Olive Massage Therapist Fees were so high. The Deputy Director noted that a lot of work goes into the Massage permit including background checks, initial inspection, then repeated inspections with the police department and enforcement going back and forth to court. The Health Officer noted that other municipalities in Morris County charged the same, some more and some less. He noted that the permit fee could be put on the list with the other fees to discuss and consider changing. Board Member Abrams suggested increasing the penalty for noncompliance and lowering the permit fee. The Health Officer noted that the DCA does not allow the Health Department to enforce certain areas of the state regulations making it difficult to do enforcement.

**Adjournment:**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 pm on a motion by Dr. Abrams and second by Mr. Kana; all Members present were in favor.

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**Colleen Labow**  
**Chairperson**

I, Michele Doucette, Mount Olive Township Board of Health Secretary, do hereby certify that the foregoing Minutes are a true and correct copy of the Minutes approved at a legally convened meeting of the Mount Olive Township Board of Health duly held on March 16, 2022.

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**Michele Doucette**  
**Board of Health Secretary**