



## **MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 18, 2020 BOARD OF HEALTH REGULAR MEETING**



### **Call to Order:**

The November 18, 2020 Regular Meeting of the Board of Health was called to order at 6:37 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: "According to the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been given to the Daily Record. Notice has been posted in 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, Dr. Miccio, Dr. Wallack, Mark Kana Laura Hawkins and Kathleen Olup

*Absent:*

The Chairperson recognized Health Officer, Trevor J. Weigle; Board of Health Secretary, Michele Doucette; Deputy Director/Assistant Health Officer, Derrick Webb; and Attorney, Peter King. The Chairperson welcomed the new Health Educator Christie Jamie.

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

The minutes of the October 21, 2020 Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Dr. Abrams and second by Laura Hawkins; board members Dr. Miccio, Dr. Wallack, Mark Kana abstained and all other members present were in favor.

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

The Health Officer reviewed the Public Health Activities Report for October 2020. The Health Officer also updated the Board of Health on the pandemic with an excel spreadsheet showing the numbers of cases, number of cases still in isolation, and the number of deaths to date. The Health Officer noted the Covid Fair on Saturday 11/21/2020 9:00am to 2:00pm at the Mt Olive Senior center will provide the Antigen and the PRC test. He noted the fair was for Mt Olive, Mt Arlington and Netcong residents.

The Public Health Activities Report for September 2020 was approved on a motion by Dr. Abrams and second by Laura Hawkins: board members Dr. Miccio, Dr. Wallack, Mark Kana abstained and all other members present were in favor.

Peter King noted the Public Health Activities Report for October 2020 was verbal and did not need a vote.

**New Business:**

None

**Ordinance on First Reading:**

None

**Ordinance on Second Reading:**

None

**Resolutions:** BOH 2020-11

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN ADDENDUM TO AN 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 the management of a New Jersey Department of Health grant entitled, Strengthening Local Public Health Capacity Program 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the Strengthening Local Public Health Capacity Program 2021 grant provides funding in the amount of \$142,236 for reimbursement of COVID-19 related expenses and the hiring of a full time equivalent Vulnerable Populations Outreach Coordinator;

**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 benefit from this grant; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Mount Olive Board of Health has determined and certified in writing that the value of the service will not exceed \$1,733; and

**WHEREAS**, the term of this Addendum shall be from December 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, Christie Jaime, MPH, CHES has agreed to provide these services for a fee not to exceed \$1,733 based upon a rate of \$50.00 per hour; and

**WHEREAS**, funds for this purpose will be 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 Strengthening Local Public Health Capacity Program 2021 Program Manager for the period December 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020, under the terms attached hereto, not to exceed \$1,733.

The Resolution Authorizing an Addendum to an Award of a Contract for Professional Services for Health Education were approved on a motion by Dr. Abrams and second by Dr. Wallack: all members present were in favor.

**Unfinished Business:**

None

**Legal Business:**

None

**Public Portion:**

Mohsin Ansari asked via chat “What is the gathering limits for house of worship?” Deputy Director Derrick Webb noted specific to religious events no more than 150 people indoors or 25% of the room’s allowed capacity and for outdoor events there is no limit.

**Board Comments:**

Board member Miccio noted his experience with the rapid Covid-19 test was that it worked better than the PRC test when symptoms were present.

Board member Labow asked if there would be a rabies clinic in 2020. The Health Officer noted there will not be a clinic in Mt Olive for 2020 but there will be one scheduled in 2021.

Board member Labow congratulated and welcomed Health Educator Christie Jamie.

Board member Hawkins thanked the health department staff for all their hard work.

Board member Abrams wished everyone to stay safe.

Board member Wallack wished everyone a happy health Thanksgiving.

Board member Olup thanked the health department and wished everyone stay safe.

Board member Labow wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

**Adjournment:**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:19 pm on a motion by Dr. Abrams and second by Mark 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 December 16, 2020.

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