

## **BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES – August 13, 2020**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Thomas McLaughlin, MD at the Senior Center at 7:00 P.M. Also in attendance were; Sheila Laffey, Member; Dutrochet Djoko, Member; Judith Ryan, Public Health Nurse; and, Mark L. Carleo, Director of Public Health.

### **ADMINISTRATION**

#### **MINUTES**

No minutes were submitted for approval.

### **COVID19**

#### **REOPENING**

Carleo reported on reopening activities to the Board. This included updates to guidance as we enter new phases or steps, and educating the public and industry on these changes. Overall compliance is high, and discrepancies are typically resolved with a phone call from the Director, or a visit from our Inspector Dennis Palazzo.

Nurse Ryan discussed the challenges in working with Higher Education and Private Schools. In sum, she has had productive discussions with these institutions, and will need to work around some of the shortcomings with the state policies, or lack thereof.

Carleo quickly mentioned that he had worked with the School Department on their reopening plans, and that as they may have heard, the Committee voted to use a hybrid education model.

Ryan then provided the Board with an update on the case statistics and highlighted challenges.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH**

#### **PERMITS AND LICENSING**

Since the July 2nd meeting, the Health Department issued 1 Dumpster Permit, 2 Food Establishment Permits, 1 Pool Permit, and 1 Well Permit.

#### **VIOLATIONS/NUISANCE REPORT**

Again, due to COVID, complaint records were not accurately kept due to lack of access to the database, and overwhelming workloads. Anecdotally, he provided highlights, particularly related to COVID complaints.

## **ANIMAL HEALTH**

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On behalf of Animal Control, Carleo reported 5 bat related calls which are typical of this time of year, 1 missing cat, 2 dogs biting a human, 1 dog biting of a wild animal.

With no further business at hand, the Board adjourned.

Respectfully submitted for your approval,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M. Carleo', written in a cursive style.

Mark L. Carleo  
Director of Public Health