

**BOROUGH OF RARITAN
BOARD OF HEALTH**

The Meeting of the Borough of Raritan Board of Health was held on April 10, 2013 in the Municipal Building, 22 First Street, Raritan, New Jersey 08869 at 6:40 p.m.

STATEMENT OF PUBLIC NOTICE

Board President Paula Machala presided and stated the following: Notice of this meeting was made by advising The Courier News and the Star Ledger of the time, date and place of this Board of Health Meeting, posting a notice on the official bulletin board, and including this statement in the minutes of this meeting.

ROLL CALL

Present: Constance Del Rocco, Kathleen Faccone, Paula Machala, Kathryn Mastice and Irene Sixt

Absent: Anna Bongiovi and Theresa Bray

Also Present: Councilwoman Denise Carra; Paul Masaba, Director/Health Officer; Susan Marquart, Registered Environmental Health Specialist and Rayna E. Harris, Secretary

PUBLIC COMMENTS

At this point the Board of Health welcomes comments from any member of the public. To help facilitate an orderly meeting and to permit the opportunity for anyone who wishes to be heard, speakers are asked to limit their comments to 5 minutes. If reading from a prepared statement, please provide a written copy after making your comments. Please sign in by printing your name and address.

No one spoke.

PRESENTATION

Rachel Lendner, MPH, MCHES Manager, Tobacco-Free for a Healthy New Jersey American Cancer Society presented to the Board Members regarding implementation of a No Smoking Ordinance and free signage.

SMOKE FREE-AIR NJ FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Why do we need an outdoor-air ordinance? How dangerous can secondhand smoke be outside? Studies show that concentrations of outdoor Secondhand Smoke can equal indoor levels (NJ GASP, 2012). Additionally, for children and older people with asthma and/or health conditions, even small amounts of cigarette smoke in outdoor areas can have dangerous consequences. Secondhand smoke is not the only reason to pass such an ordinance. Other reasons include:

- Establishing smoke-free environments as the norm; the fewer adults that children

- see smoking, the less likely they are to pick up a cigarette
- Eliminating the concern of discarded cigarette butts that are ingested by small children and animals
- Reducing accidental fires
- Reducing litter-related clean-up costs

Our police department is busy enough. They don't have time to enforce a smoking ban. There are approximately 160 municipalities in the state of New Jersey with Smoke-Free Outdoor Air Ordinances. (Currently in Somerset County there are 3 municipalities with total smoke free ordinances in addition to the Somerset County parks ordinance. Morris County has 8 total smoke free parks) In a telephone survey conducted in Central New Jersey in March of 2012, zero municipalities reported a problem enforcing the ordinance, zero summonses had been issued, and the police were not called upon. The vast majority (85%) of New Jerseyans do not smoke. In the municipalities that have enacted ordinances, the remaining 15% have shown that they respect signs.

We can't enforce a smoking ban without signs, and we don't have money for signs in our budget right now. Tobacco Free for a Health New Jersey, through funding from the NJ Department of Health, can provide signs to post throughout your parks, recreation areas and/or beaches at no cost to you. Respectively, in SC there are additional signs "Little lungs at Work" Signs to be posted by the playgrounds.

The government keeps taking away more and more individual rights. Where's it going to end? A report released in New York City in June, 2012, revealed that since passing indoor and outdoor smoking bans, life expectancy in NYC has increased by 10 years.

- Children, the elderly, asthmatics, and nonsmokers all have a right to breathe clean air.
- These laws are not about punishing smokers, or taking away rights. They are about improving the health of the community and helping to raise a generation of nonsmokers.
- If people can't smoke in our playgrounds and recreation areas, or on our beaches, they aren't going to come.
- Data following the 2006 New Jersey Smoke-Free Air Act, as well as data from states throughout the country consistently show that business revenues increase in smoke-free environments.
- Again, the vast majority (85%) of New Jerseyans, and therefore 85% of New Jersey Consumers are nonsmokers. Appealing to their needs and preferences can only improve business and utilization of recreation areas

The Board Members questioned Ms. Lendner regarding obtaining the free signs and the various designs that were available.

Ms. Lendner noted that 175-200 New Jersey municipalities have adopted No Smoking Ordinances and 15-20 were passed in 2012; 6 in 2013.

Councilwoman Carra informed the Board that the Mayor and Council previously discussed this ordinance and opted not to introduce it due to concerns with the enforcement aspect and costs. She noted that violations and penalties need to be added to the draft ordinance.

Ms. Lendner exited the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

March 13, 2013

Board Member Mastice made a motion to approve the above listed Minutes with corrections/additions and was seconded by Board Member Del Rocco. Motion carried by the following roll call vote.

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Bongiovi				X
		Bray				X
	X	Del Rocco	X			
		Faccone	X			
		Machala	X			
X		Mastice	X			
		Sixt	X			

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

No report offered.

REGISTRAR’ S REPORT

Constance Del Rocco, Registrar of Vital Statistics gave the Local Registrar’s Report. She noted that there was a decrease in the number of death certificates requested and suggested that it may be due to the price because surrounding municipalities are charging a lower fee.

Board Member Faccone made a motion to approve the above listed report and was seconded by Board Member Mastice. Motion carried by the following roll call vote.

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Bongiovi				X
		Bray				X
		Del Rocco	X			
X		Faccone	X			
		Machala	X			
	X	Mastice	X			
		Sixt	X			

RARITAN BOARD OF HEALTH MONTHLY REPORT

Mar-13

Births

Raritan Residents births in the Borough	0
Raritan Residents births outside the Borough	8
Total births inside and outside the Borough	8
Certified copies issued by	1

FEES COLLECTED FOR BIRTHS	<u>\$20.00</u>
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Deaths

Raritan Residents died in the Borough	3
Raritan Residents died outside the Borough	0
Total Deaths in and outside the Borough	3
Certified copies issued	15
Burial Permits issued	2

FEES COLLECTED FOR DEATHS	<u>\$300.00</u>
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Marriages and Civil Unions

Marriages Performed in the Borough:	0
Residents	0
Non-Residents	0
Total Marriages Performed in the Borough	<u>0</u>

Civil Unions performed in the Borough:	0
Residents	0
Non-Residents	0
Total Civil Unions Performed in the Borough	<u>0</u>

Licenses Issued:

Marriage	2
Civil Unions	0
Domestic Partnerships	0
Total Licenses Issued	<u>2</u>

Certified Copies Issued:	4
Marriage	4
Civil Unions	0
Domestic Partnerships	0
Total Certified Copies Issued	<u>4</u>

FEES COLLECTED FOR MARRIAGES AND CIVIL UNIONS	<u>\$89.00</u>
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Total Fees Collected for the month	<u><u>\$409.00</u></u>
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Total Fees to Date	<u><u>\$3,050.00</u></u>
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Respectfully Submitted,

Constance M. DelRocco, Registrar

Feb-13

Births

Raritan Residents births in the Borough	0
Raritan Residents births outside the Borough	3

Total births inside and outside the Borough	3
Certified copies issued by	0
FEES COLLECTED FOR BIRTHS	<u>\$0.00</u>
<u>Deaths</u>	
Raritan Residents died in the Borough	3
Raritan Residents died outside the Borough	1
Total Deaths in and outside the Borough	4
Certified copies issued	33
Burial Permits issued	9
FEES COLLECTED FOR DEATHS	<u>\$660.00</u>
<u>Marriages and Civil Unions</u>	
Marriages Performed in the Borough:	2
Residents	1
Non-Residents	1
Total Marriages Performed in the Borough	<u>2</u>
Civil Unions performed in the Borough:	0
Residents	0
Non-Residents	0
Total Civil Unions Performed in the Borough	<u>0</u>
Licenses Issued:	
Marriage	5
Civil Unions	0
Domestic Partnerships	0
Total Licenses Issued	<u>5</u>
Certified Copies Issued:	3
Marriage	3
Civil Unions	0
Domestic Partnerships	0
Total Certified Copies Issued	<u>3</u>
FEES COLLECTED FOR MARRIAGES AND CIVIL UNIONS	<u>\$75.00</u>
Total Fees Collected for the month	<u>\$735.00</u>
Total Fees to Date	<u>\$2,641.00</u>

Respectfully Submitted,

Constance M. DelRocco, Registrar

HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT

Susan Marquart gave the Health Officer's Report. She noted the different issues and complaints that were received throughout the month.

Board Member Sixt made a motion to approve the above listed report and was seconded by Board Member Mastice. Motion carried by the following roll call vote.

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Bongiovi				X
		Bray				X
		Del Rocco	X			
		Faccone	X			
		Machala	X			
	X	Mastice	X			
X		Sixt	X			

**BOARD OF HEALTH MONTHLY REPORT-RARITAN
MARCH 2013**

Administrative

1. BOH Meeting
2. Staff Meeting
3. Hot Wash

Training and Education

1. NJEHA Atlantic City Conference-attended by REHS

Consumer Health Program

1. Licenses issued:
 - (0) Retail Food Licenses issued
 - (0) Vending Licenses issued-Toys R Us
 - (0) Temporary Food Sale Permits issued
 - (5) OPRA requests
 - (1) Review of Plans fee paid-50-\$-The Dollar Tree-45 Raritan Crossing-Plans have been reviewed and approved
2. Raritan Pastry Shop-49 W Somerset St-Out of Business
3. Retail Food License List updated; 79 Retail Food Establishments are licensed:
Risk 1V- 1 Risk 111 - 26 Risk 11 - 35 Risk 1 – 17
4. Vending Machine License List updated: 13 Vending Licenses
5. Inspections are in progress to recommend the renewal of Alcoholic Beverage Licenses for 2013-2014.
6. Plans were reviewed and approved for an in ground pool at the Stone Bridge complex-925 RT 202 N
7. Recalls: Class 1 Recalls that required no action by Local Health Departments:
 - United Pet group initiated a voluntary recall of "Ultra Blend Gourmet Food for parakeets due to the possibility of Salmonella contamination in parsley flakes, an ingredient. No illnesses have been reported

- Food for Life Baking Company of Corona, CA is recalling cases of Ezekiel 4:9 Cereal-Golden Flax of various serial numbers due to an undeclared allergen, almond. No illnesses or injuries have been reported
- Daesang American Inc. is recalling 500 mg packages of Sesame Mixed Soy Bean Garlic Paste due to the presence of an undeclared allergen, peanuts. No illnesses or injuries have been reported
- Bumblebee Foods is expanding a voluntary recall of specific codes of 5 oz. chunk white tuna because the containers do not meet the companies standards for seal tightness
- Tri-Union Seafoods, LLC is expanding its voluntary recall of Chicken of the Sea Brand Chunk light tuna in oil. The seams on the container do not meet the seam quality standard.

Environmental

1. (1) Dog bite/(0) Cat bites-Quarantine notice issued and satisfied
2. (0) UST Permits
3. (1) Demolition Permits
4. (0) Utility Shutoffs
5. (0) Specimens transported
6. 13 E Somerset St-DEP issued a No Further Action Letter following the removal of (2)-550 #2 Heating Oil USTS during 7/2012- Case # 12-07-13-0822-36.
7. DEP approved the Physical Connection Permit 1063-WPC13001 for Janssen Pharmaceutical, 1000 RT 202 S

Court Proceedings / Enforcement Actions

1. REHS was requested to testify in a court case involving the Borough of Raritan Property Maintenance Department vs. a resident at 25 Vones Lane.
2. 2 Field Notices of Violation were issued to Randazzo's Bakery, 611 RT 202 N, for failing to maintain garbage and recycling dumpsters and for recycling deficiencies. These deficiencies have been addressed.

Public Health Education/Promotion Services

Monthly Activity Report: March, 2013

for:

Somerville, Manville & Raritan Boards of Health

Provided by: Cynthia S. Kusorgbor, MPH, CHES

Health Educator / Risk Communicator (HERC)

Workforce Development:

- Attended monthly Health Educator/Risk communicator meeting – 3/6
- Attended Active Shooter Evaluation meeting - 3/7
- Actively involved in measles exposure response/conference calls and activated rubeola antibody testing clinic at the county human services building – 3/14 & 3/15
- Attended county run threat management training – 3/19
- Attended “hotwash” meeting/discussions re: measles response – 3/25
- Training – Prevention issues with special populations – 3/26

Webinars:

- Better Health: Evaluating Health Communication - 3/14
- American Association for Diabetes Educators - Opportunities for Health Educators to Address Pre-diabetes and Diabetes: 3/19
- Reducing and preventing childhood obesity through community-wide change; 3/21

Provided Content to SCDOH Website/Social Media/Freeholder e-newsletter:

- Nutrition awareness month educational information –3/1 – 3/31
- Daylight saving information “check your clock, check your stock”

Activities:**Community Presentation/Outreach & Projects:**

- Set up March Nutrition Awareness Month table display at county administration building : 3/5 – 3/31
- Editorial board/worked on layout for revamped health department newsletter “Public Health Focus”
- Presentations:
 - Keeping Up the Beat: Fellowship Village – 3/5
 - Standing Tall Against Falls: Manville Senior Center – 3/11
 - Keeping Your Mind Sharp: Hiddenbrook at Franklin – 3/27
- Diabetes Self-Management Workshop - Somerville
 - Session 1 – 3/14
 - Session 2 – 3/21
 - Session 3 – 3/28
- Health education/promotion program planning with New Jersey Cancer Education and Early Detection coordinator re: April/May programming – 3/8
- Health education/program planning meeting with Office on Aging – Chronic Disease Self-Management workshop refresher training for peer leaders – 3/2 & 3/8
- Health education/promotions program scheduling for Spring of 2013

**BOARD OF HEALTH REPORT
BOROUGH OF RARITAN
MARCH 1-MARCH 31, 2013**

PROGRAM AREA	2013 INSP	2012 INSP	2013 RE-INSP	2012 RE-INSP	2013 Year-To-Date INSP RE-INSP		2012 Year-To-Date INSP RE-INSP	
Retail Food	9	9	3	3	34	6	27	16
Temp Retail Food	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Recreational Bathing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
COMPLAINTS	2013 REC'D	2012 REC'D	2013 INVG	2012 INVG	2013 Year-To-Date REC'D INVG		2012 Year-To-Date REC'D INVG	
Retail Food Establishments	3	6	3	6	8	8	15	15
Gabage / Debris	2	1	2	1	2	2	2	2
Vemrin / Insect	0	1	0	1	2	2	1	1
Property Maintenance	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Animal	3	4	3	4	16	16	8	8
Mold	0	0	0	0	2	2	1	1
Other	3	6	3	6	10	10	12	12
Odor – Non-CEHA	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
Noise – Non-CEHA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ADMINISTRATIVE	2013		2012		2013 Year-To-Date		2012 Year-To-Date	
Consultations	6		6		16		16	
Plan Reviews	2		0		3		1	
Hearings	0		0		0		0	
Court Proceedings	1		0		1		0	
NOV's Issued	0		0		1		0	
Summonses Issued	0		0		1		0	
Lab Reports Reviewed	0		0		0		0	
Staff Meetings	2		0		4		1	
NOTE: Activity summary data for YTD 2010 reflects starting date of 4/1/10.								

Full report is on file in the municipal building.

LIASION REPORT

Councilwoman Carra noted that she placed the flyer for the health screening at St. Ann’s in the kiosk.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Nonsmoking Ordinance – Guest Speaker
Board President Machala noted that further discussion on the No Smoking Ordinance would be postponed until the full board was present.

2. Review Chapters for Codification

Ms. Harris noted the following:

Chapters 261, 275 and 282 would be sent to the Borough Engineer's office for further review and advice.

Chapters 92 and 223 would be sent to the Borough Attorney's office for further review and advice.

Chapter 255 would be sent to the Construction Official's office for further review and advice.

The Board Members continued to review the chapters from the code manuscript. The following consensus was reached:

The fees listed in Ordinance 2006-01 and 2010-01 would be combined into one ordinance.

Board Member Del Rocco suggested the Registrar's fees should be changed to mirror the current State Registrar's fee schedule for certified copies. There was general consent.

The Board then discussed seasonal permits for farmers and flea markets. Councilwoman Carra agreed to follow-up with Council President Donald Tozzi to get more information on the proposed events. Mrs. Marquart and Dr. Masaba explained the process followed in other municipalities.

There was general consent to postpone further discussion until the May meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

None was offered.

AJOURNMENT

Board Member DelRocco moved to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Board Member Faccone. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

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	X	Faccone	X			
		Machala	X			
		Mastice				X
		Sixt	X			

Respectfully submitted,

Rayna E. Harris, Board Secretary