

**WARREN BOARD OF HEALTH  
MEETING MINUTES –  
November 8, 2017– 7:00 P.M.  
2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR UNION VILLAGE CONFERENCE ROOM – MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
46 MOUNTAIN BOULEVARD, WARREN**

**Call to Order:** The regular public meeting of the Warren Township Board of Health was called to order at 7:03pm by Malcolm Plager, Chairman/President.

**Flag Salute**

***The Opening Statement: Adequate notice of this meeting was given on January 27, 2017 by posting a copy on the Township Bulletin Board sending a copy to the Township Clerk, Echoes Sentinel and Courier News as required by the Open Public Meetings Act. We plan to adjourn no later than 10:00 P.M.***

**Roll Call:**

Dr. DeMarco	Present	<u>Alternate #1</u>	
Mr. Morlino	Absent	Mr. Rosenman	Present
Dr. Sarraf	Absent	<u>Alternate #2</u>	
Mr. Lazo	Absent	Ms. Burger	Present
Mr. Riley	Present		
		Mr. Plager	Present

• **Resolution 2017-16**

Lukas' Seafood and Grille  
61C Mountain Boulevard  
Block 74, Lot 5.02 & Block 74 Lot 6  
Application: Variance  
Owner: Vicendese Family Ltd. Partnership  
Applicant: Sonny Gjevukaj/Lukas' Seafood and Grille  
Attorney: Richard M. Sasso, Esq.  
Architect: Jeffrey A. Beer, AIA/Beer Architectural Group, LLC

**Motion was made by Mr. Riley second by Mr. Rosenman to adopt Resolution 2017-16 as amended.**

**Roll Call:**

Dr. DeMarco	Yes
Mr. Rosenman	Yes
Ms. Burger	Yes
Mr. Riley	Yes
Mr. Plager	Yes

**Dr. DeMarco left at 7:11pm**

**Privilege of the Floor: None**

**Old Business:**

**Approval of Minutes:            June 14, 2017**

**Motion was made by Mr. Rosenman second by Mr. Riley to adopt June 14, 2017 minutes as presented.**

**Roll Call:**

Mr. Rosenman	Yes
Ms. Burger	Yes
Mr. Riley	Yes
Mr. Plager	Yes

**Approval of Minutes:            October 11, 2017**

**Motion was made by Ms. Burger second Mr. Plager to adopt October 11, 2017 minutes as presented.**

**Roll Call:**

Mr. Rosenman	Yes
Ms. Burger	Yes
Mr. Riley	Yes
Mr. Plager	Yes

**Correspondence:                Please See Correspondence File**

Mr. Plager is going to inquire about replacing a Board Member who resigned. There are no nominees at the moment. The Quarterly Newsletter did not include advertising for the opening. Mr. Riley remembers receiving an email from a woman who would have been interested who was with Summit Medical Group. Ms. Phillips will review previous meeting minutes for information.

**Middle-Brook Regional Health Commission Report**

The Commission Finance committee has met and they are going to recommend a 2% increase in salaries based upon consumer price index, which went up 2%. The budget would be flat to towns. There was a surplus in the budget because a Bound Brook employee went to part time. THE Finance Committee was comfortable with the proposal. A Special Meeting will be held on Monday November 13 to present to the Commission. The regular Commission meeting is scheduled for the end of the month. Municipal contributions will stay the same in 2018.

The State included 10 million dollars in their state budget for the purposes of lead abatement remediation investigations which are dedicated to local health departments. However, the original parameters of the Request for Applications excluded most local health departments based on total number of lead cases. The funding probably will not benefit the Commission due to the number of cases reported in the towns each year. The Commission has two certified lead investigators on staff. There are two options, the Commission can enter into cross-jurisdictional sharing agreements with Somerset County or with the City of Trenton with which we already have an agreement for nursing services related to lead. An agreement with Trenton, who does not have environmental staff, may allow us to utilize Commission staff, with the understanding that Trenton would provide the nursing services and sub grant to those of us who can still do the

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environmental work. The Commission already has a service contract with Bernards Township for 2017, if they have a lead case the Commission provides the service and they pay the Commission \$500.

In 2016, there were concerns about possible water contamination in the public drinking water by PFOA at a level that was unsafe. PFOA is a by-product of Teflon. The health department sampled 4-5 locations in town with different suppliers and all testing came out well under the current standards of that time. On Thursday the DEP released lowered standards, the town is still significantly under standards. DEP standards went from 40 parts per trillion to 14 parts per trillion. Warren's highest level detected was 7.1 parts per trillion, and all other samples were under 7.1 parts per trillion.

There is a rabies clinic in Watchung and Bound Brook the first weekend in December.

The Green Team emailed about a Radon Testing Grant called RAP. Concern was there was not enough demand in the town. The Green Team was encouraged to stimulate interest. The County Health Officer Association has received grants over the last 6 or 7 years and collectively purchased radon kits, which were then sold at cost to the town. We would get 20-30 canisters and we would throw away 15-20 canisters. Last year we used 9 of the 10 canisters we purchased. Based on interest we can increase the availability of canisters.

The Health Officer informed the Board that the biggest public health concern of legalizing marijuana is that policy makers do not draw the connection to the other potential issues it brings. Some of these concerns might be it can show up in home baked goods without detection, crossing state lines, and driving under the influence.

Rabies cases were up this year, having one case in Green Brook.

### Reports of Employees/Health Officer Report

#### Financial Reports:

#### Treasurer's Report:

October 2017 - Health Receipts	
Receipts for Registrar	\$708.00
Health	\$525.00
Application Fees	\$0.00
Septic and Well	\$660.00
<b>Total Health</b>	<b>\$1,893.00</b>

October 2017 - Animal Control Receipts	
Dog	\$133.00
Cats	\$14.00
<b>Total Animal</b>	<b>\$147.00</b>

**Total Receipts - October 2017**

**\$2,040.00**

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<b>October 2017 - Health Disbursements</b>	
M. Phillips Mid State Registrars' Association & Mtg	\$35.00
Mailing Labels and Recording Tapes	\$60.76
Business Cards- M. Phillips	\$66.00
Legal Advertising - Special Oct Meeting	\$47.47
Legal Bill- Pearlmutter	\$814.00
4th Quarter Middle-Brook Contract 2017	\$30,503.25
<b>Total Health Disbursement</b>	<b>\$31,526.48</b>

<b>October 2017 - Animal Control Disbursements</b>	
2017 State Dog License Fee - October	\$7.20
<b>Total Animal Control Disbursements</b>	<b>\$7.20</b>

**Total Disbursements - October 2017** **\$31,533.68**

**Motion was made by Ms. Burger second by Mr. Rosenman to adopt the October 2017 Financial Report as read.**

**Voice Vote:**

**In Favor:** Mr. Rosenman, Ms. Burger, Mr. Riley, Mr. Plager

**Opposed:** None

**Abstentions:** None

**Adjournment:**

**Motion was made by Mr. Rosenman second by Mr. Riley to adjourn the meeting at 7:58pm. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.**

**Respectfully submitted,  
Megan Phillips, Clerk  
Warren Township Board of Health**