

Radnor Township Board of Health Meeting Minutes September 21, 2021

Board of Health Members Present: Jane Carabasi, David Simmons, Charles Wheeler, Lisa Hamaker, Alex Yannopoulos, Joan Capuzzi

BOC Liaison: Moira Mulroney

Radnor Township Health Officer: Marie Carbonara

BOH members Absent: none

The meeting (via Zoom) was called to order at 5:30 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes were reviewed and approved from June 2021 meeting.

Opening Remarks by Dr. Simmons

- Dr. Simmons and the other members of the Board expressed their appreciation to Jane Carabasi for her years of service on the Radnor Board of Health and especially her integral involvement in the student intern program.
- Discussion regarding recruitment of new members to the Board.
 - ACTION ITEMS – David will write up a blurb asking for BOH volunteers to be included in any BOC communications (i.e. commissioner newsletters). Moira will distribute to commissioners to use as desired.

Student Intern Project Initiation

- Alex and Lisa will offer guidance to student interns.
- Jane sent information to high school regarding the internship program and asked for applications to be received by September 30.
 - ACTION ITEM – David, Alex, and Lisa will plan to review applications and meet via Zoom to make decision on interns by October 8.

Health Officer's Report

- Marie provided update on COVID cases and states that office is following Villanova and local dashboards.
- COVID restrictions are still in place at the township building.
- The Carol Axelrod Memorial Blood Drive will be held at the Radnor Activity Center on October 7.

Old Business

- Discussion and update regarding the Delaware County Department of Health
 - Unknown at present how department will influence local health inspections
 - Will be revisited on a regular basis during BOH meetings
- Discussion and update regarding School Board representation on the BOH
 - ACTION ITEM – Alex will discuss with School Board member associates.
- Discussion and update regarding Animal Health Ordinances by Joan Capuzzi
 - Three categories of corrections identified – some will be easy to change without significant discussion, others will need discussion by BOC.
 - ACTION ITEM – Moira and Jane are working on changes to ordinances and will provide updates.

New Business

- Joan brought to the BOH's attention the issue of road safety in our township, specifically regarding the township's wildlife and what appears to be a lack of adequate signage in animal habitats in the setting of overdevelopment. Was unclear to Board who determines where signs are located. Board discussed checking into animal habitats with the PA Fish and Wildlife Department and with the Radnor Police Department.

Public Participation

- Significant number of participants, who were all parents of students at Villanova University, regarding mold in the residence halls, especially in the South part of campus and other freshman dorms, and the recent upper respiratory illnesses (non-COVID) in the students

Meeting was Adjourned at 6:54 PM

Next Board of Health meeting is Monday, October 18th, 2021.