

September 25, 2024

The Newton Advisory Board of Health held a regular meeting on the above date at 6:00 p.m. Present were Dr. Nancy Craddock, Dr. John Craddock, Dr. Beatriz Bueno, Mr. Bill Hagamann, and Mrs. Teresa A. Oswin, BOH Secretary. Najah Davenport, Health Inspector from the Sussex County Board of Health was also present.

Mrs. Oswin made the following declaration that “in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this regular meeting was given to the two newspapers of record and posted on the official bulletin board on January 5, 2024.”

Upon motion of Dr. N. Craddock, seconded by Dr. N. Craddock and carried, the minutes of March 27, 2024 Regular meeting were unanimously approved.

Unfinished Business to discuss:

Dr. Bueno asked Ms. Davenport about the items from the last meeting which Ms. Dix was going to look into and get back to the Board. The Board wanted to know about the rabies cases, did the animals actually test positive? Dr. Bueno also questioned the Dengue Fever, she would like more detail on this matter. Finally, she also questioned the Pertussis cases in January and February. Were the people vaccinated for this?

Ms. Davenport stated she will look into her inquiries and get back to the Board. Ms. Oswin will forward a copy of the March minutes which detail the Board’s inquiries.

Under New Business, the Board reviewed the Sussex County Health Violations. Dr. Bueno wanted to know the process for testing an animal for rabies. Some are quarantined and some are tested. Dr. Bueno also questioned the process for inspecting rats. A brief discussion ensued on the violations with Ms. Davenport answering the Board’s questions or taking notes to find out the answers for them.

Mrs. Oswin reviewed the recent ordinance adopted by the Newton Town Council. Ordinance 2024-19 is an ordinance to establish a lead service line replacement program.

Mrs. Oswin gave an update on Animal Control. She has issued 607 dog licenses, 194 cat licenses. The Animal Shelter ribbon cutting was held on April 29th. We entered into a Share Service agreement to provide ACO services to Fredon, Green, and Hampton Townships.

Ms. Oswin reviewed the 2025 meeting schedule.

Mrs. Oswin then reviewed the restaurants that have either changed ownership or are new which include:

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New Restaurants:

1. Bite Me Delights - Spring Street
2. Mi Rancho Steakhouse - Spring Street
3. La Tiendita - Woodside Avenue

Mrs. Oswin opened the meeting to the public. There being no one from the public to be heard, the meeting was closed to the public.

Mrs. Oswin asked if there were any comments from the Board

Upon motion of Dr. John Craddock seconded by Mr. Bill Hagamann and carried, the meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Teresa A. Oswin, RMC
Board of Health Secretary