

President Ms. Levinson, called the meeting to order @ 7:30 pm

Roll Call: Members: Levinson, Woodruffe, Roman, Gandolfo, Kerekes, Berdahl, \\  
Smith, Kachinski  
MCRHC Rep: Groves & Henry  
Council Rep: Burden  
Absent: Vockroth

All saluted the flag & the Presiding Officers Statement was read.

**Minutes:**

A motion was made by, Ms. Smith, seconded by Ms. Kachinski to adopt the January 27, 2014 meeting minutes as submitted. All approved  
Abstained:

**Sanitary Inspector Report:**

*January, February, March 2014:*

Reports reviewed:

A motion was made by Mr. Berdahl, seconded by Ms. Woodruffe to approve the Sanitary Reports as submitted. All approved.

Mr. Burden asked Mr. Groves to check out La Provence (former San Remo's) the reason being other than health issues, Mr. Groves explained that he doesn't have jurisdiction for his issue but he will look into it.

Mr. Groves gave an update on the feral cats and he advised that the situation is still being contested in court. Ms. Levinson doesn't feel that there is a solution to the problems since there isn't any place to take them. Mr. Groves advised that Middletown is still looking into it, but it is an expensive endeavor for a town to take on.

Mr. David Henry, Health Officer said that he has been talking to other towns for a shared service for the animal control expenses that would be incurred. Freeholder Arnone and the shared service coordinator for the County have been holding meetings on this subject. He explained that if animal control catches the cats then they can take them to the shelter, and they cannot be turned into a household pet after 5-6 weeks old. Mr. Burden said that the only complaint we have had was the location of the cats and the school over at Ave of the Common. Mr. Groves said that there are 2 colonies one by the school and one on the north side of the property. Once Toll Bros finishes they are not going to let the cats stop the progress. Mr. Henry will be sending an email to the surrounding towns with respect to the feral cat's situation.

Ms. Shereen Naqvi, Public Health Nurse for MCRHC, reported that she is now a full time employee, and reviewed the reports that she supplied to board members, she explained that she has expanded on the reporting process to the Borough.

Mr. Henry gave a talk on what the MCRHC has planned for the Borough of Shrewsbury especially with increasing the number of people coming out for the flue clinics. Board members engaged in a question and answer session with Mr. Henry and they felt it was a very informed presentation of both Mr. Henry & Ms. Naqvi.

Ms. Naqvi advised that they are planning a Clinic in October for the Homesteaders.  
Ms. Gandolfo advised she is trying to have the blood mobile come to in October.  
Ms. Levinson suggested having a clinic on Community Day.

Mr. Burden stated that the reports he is reviewing shows only 5% of the population being taken care of or is it 80%. Ms. Levinson asked who goes to a Walgreens or C.V.S. for a flu shot. Mr. Roman said that it is across the board.

Mr. Burden suggested a flu clinic in October at the Homesteaders luncheon with a small education talk with regard to blood pressure etc. Mr. Burden will coordinate with Ms. Naqvi.

Ms. Gandolfo asked Ms. Naqvi if she would like to join with the Blood Center at Community Day.

Ms. Levinson advised Ms. Naqvi if she wants anything to be placed on the website, it can be sent to the Board Secretary and it will be forwarded to the Ms. Krueger the Borough Clerks office and to Ms. Grieco.

Ms. Naqvi advised that the fees for not complying with immunization for schools has gone up to a \$50.00 fine, she is referring to Maestro Montessori School on White Road all of the other schools are up to date for compliance.

Mr. Henry said that he and Ms. Naqvi are ready to assist any way they can, along with her other duties that she has to do. Mr. Henry submitted a Public Health Nursing Report from 2011 – 2014 with the amount of money that was charged to each Municipality for Ms. Naqvi's services.

Board members asked Ms. Naqvi & Mr. Henry questions with regard to what they charge for and how there income is generated. Ms. Naqvi advised she will continue to report in on a regular basis, and will incorporate any information even from a nursing standpoint she will work together with Mr. Henry and the board to provide that information, especially with communicable disease reporting.

A motion was made by Ms. Kerekes, seconded by Ms. Woodroffe to extend the meeting past 8:30 pm. All approved.

Mr. Roman stated that Chapter 8 - NJ Administrative Code 8:40 this regulation drives the operation of a Health Department and sets the Standards for the Local Boards of Health, including the Commission and is the driving force of the budget.

Mr. Burden asked Mr. Henry if they are currently in the process of a “long term strategy” to try and incorporate additional communities, in order to get a better financial picture? Mr. Henry said that he is not supposed to be actively trying to gain towns and go out and bring in towns. Their long term strategy is to become accredited within the next 2 years, and be able to apply for grants. The State Association of Health Officers is in the process of obtaining a grant from the State Health Department for accreditation to receive money to work on projects, he doesn't know if they will be receiving some money. They are 1 of 2 Health Departments seeking accreditation. Ms. Naqvi stated that once they receive the accreditation more doors will open in order to obtain more grants, it would be something to be proud of to have it.

Ms. Levinson thanked Mr. Henry & Ms. Naqvi for their attendance and their hard work in preparing the reports that were handed out tonight.

**Correspondence:** none

**Report of Officers:**

**Presidents Report:**

Ms. Levinson did send in an article for the next Newsletter re: Ovarian Cancer, she advised that September will be Ovarian Cancer and it will be represented by teal color ribbons throughout the town.

Ms. Naqvi will work with Ms. Levinson with regard to putting articles together on any subjects that the board felt that the town should know about.

**Regional Representative:**

Mr. Roman reported:

- State Newsletter which is also online State Department of Health website
- Week of 7<sup>th</sup> to April 13<sup>th</sup> – National Public Health week – “Public Health Starts Here”
- Vital Statistics –
- Communicable Disease Report

Mr. Roman spoke briefly about Mr. Henry, in addition to the MCRHC he teaches @ Rutgers University, and he is the Public Health Representative on the Legislative Committee for League of Municipalities, Legislative Chair for the Health Officer's Association & State past President. Ms. Naqvi has been with the MCRHC for several years in the Public Nursing area, in that position she supplements the inspectors and the clerical staff.

Mr. Henry described the “Shaping Red Bank” grant program which Ms. Van Sant was involved in. It’s a healthy living, eating concept program. Bicycle racks and bike paths were installed, and the community has activities to become a healthier community. There is grant money available, and if Shrewsbury is interested he has some experience to help.

**Council Rep:**

Mr. Burden thanked Mr. Henry & Ms. Naqvi for coming tonight.  
Mr. Burden stated that he will look into a tour of the Electric Company for May 2014.

**Secretary:** no report

**Working Groups:**

**Heath Affairs:** no report

**Site Plan:** no report

**Unfinished Business:** none

**New Business:** none

**General Business:**

Community Day - Saturday - October 18, 2014 Board members would like to participate. Ms. Gandolfo will take charge, and try to get the Blood Mobile, and a Flu Clinic, Generator safety and she will bring more information to the May meeting.

June Newsletter - articles on West Niles, protection with sunscreen, and heat stroke.

Narcan – Mr. Roman stated that there will be additional information coming out for first responders

Ms. Gandolfo reported that the response from Shrewsbury parents on the Heroin Epidemic speaker at Red Bank Regional High School was well attended by 68 parents.

**C.E.R.T.:** none

Ms. Levinson announced there was no one in the audience.

Next meeting May 27, 2014 @ 7:30 pm.

A motion was made by Ms. Woodroffe, seconded by Ms. Smith to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 pm. All approved