TOWNSHIP OF COLTS NECK
BOARD OF HEALTH
April 2, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Jim Schatzle called the Colts Neck Board of Health meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and read the following statement: "As Chairman and Presiding Officer of this meeting of the Colts Neck Board of Health, I hereby declare that the notice requirements of the New Jersey public meetings law have been satisfied by noticing the Asbury Park Press and the Two River Times on January 23, 2024 stating that a regular meeting of the Colts Neck Township Board of Health would be held on April 2, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at the Colts Neck Library, 2 Veterans Way, Colts Neck. A copy is on file in the Office of the Township Clerk. I further order that this public announcement be placed in the minutes of this meeting."

ROLL CALL INDICATED:

PRESENT:	Jim Schatzle, Linda Stagliano, Dr. Boak, Pam Sokoler and Liz Iacono
ABSENT:	Jeff Reisinger, Annemarie Delle Donne, Dr. Singh (all excused) and Valerie Capardi (resigned)
ALSO PRESENT:	Tom Frank, Tara Torchia Buss and Christine Eschert

Meeting Minutes – Jim Schatzle made a motion to approve the January 9, 2024 meeting minutes and this motion was approved by Dr. Boak, seconded by Pam Sokoler and unanimously carried.

Old Business – There was no old business to discuss.

New Business – There was no new business to discuss.

Discussion: Suggestions for possible Public Health Presentations in 2024

- Well Drilling Company
- Visiting Nurse Association (VNA)
- Epidemiologist
- Animal Control / Colts Neck has a shared service with the Associated Humane Society
- Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)
- Monmouth County Health Department / Health Education Initiatives (i.e. promoting vaccines)
- Colts Neck Township Health Officer, Tom Frank

The Board acknowledged that alternate Board Member, Valerie Capardi, submitted her formal resignation from the Board of Health.

Health Officer's Report:

- **Right to Know:** All *Right to Know* chemical surveys have been performed by Rullio and Juillet Associates, and completed for each township building.

- **Free Rabies Vaccination Clinic:** The clinic that was scheduled in January was cancelled due to inclement weather and will be rescheduled for November. Residents have been provided with alternate locations of other free rabies clinics in the area when they call.

- **Seasonal Flu:** The incidence of COVID-19 is low throughout much of the State, based on hospital admissions data, however seasonal flu continues to be high.

- **Measles Outbreaks:** There have been some measles outbreaks in the United States. Many have been tied to overseas travel and unvaccinated individuals. The CDC recommends being up to date on the Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) vaccine, especially if planning to travel overseas.

- **Via Sposito:** Tom Frank conducted a courtesy walk-through inspection at the proposed Via Sposito Restaurant location on Route 34 in Colts Neck last Wednesday, March 27, 2024. The restaurant is getting close to opening and he will conduct another final pre-opening inspection before they officially open to the public. Via Sposito has two additional restaurant locations in Red Bank and Old Bridge, NJ.

- **35th Street Consulting:** All Monmouth County Health Departments are working with 35th Street Consultants, through a grant, to conduct health assessments within our county. Following the assessments, a community health improvement plan will be formulated which can be used to improve defined health needs within our communities. The findings/results will be shared on the Colts Neck Township website when they become available.

Liaison Report - Ms. Torchia Buss, Liaison, reported that the cupola is under construction at the Colts Neck Town Hall Annex. She also mentioned that the Governing Body is looking at some of our township ordinances to determine if they are in need of updating. They are also trying to educate people about the Colts Neck Manor project because, as she stated, there has been a lot of misinformation out there. One fact that was shared with the Board is that the water supply for the Colts Neck Manor will come from Gordon's Corner Water Company located in Marlboro, NJ. The use of public water will alleviate the need for wells. Ms. Torchia Buss mentioned an additional construction project in town called Charleston Meadows which will consist of a 68-unit multifamily residential development located at 193 Stone Hill Road and will be built by Countryside Developers.

Public Comment – Colts Neck Township resident, Kevin O'Brien, attended the Board of Health meeting to express his concern over the development of a plot of land located at 42 The Enclosure, Colts Neck. He is opposed to the development of this vacant lot based on current engineer design plans and the fact that there are 2 drainpipes on the property that run off into the storm drain and could potentially contaminate the groundwater. His concern is about the safety of our township waterways, and he is speaking out in support of the future owners and children who would be living at that location.

A motion to adjourn was made by Jim Schatzle at 7:47 p.m. and unanimously carried. The next scheduled meeting is May 7, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Christine Eschert