



City of Norwalk

Board of Health

Monthly Meeting Minutes

October 27, 2020 8:00 AM

Via Teleconference

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Call to order at 8:09AM Present:

Board of Health: Kenneth Lalime, RPH, Theresa Quell, PhD, RN, Janet Karpiak, MD, Norman Weinberger, MD, Vincent Amoruccio

Staff: Deanna D'Amore, Director of Health, Megan DiMeglio, Project Coordinator, Lamond Daniels, Chief of Community Services, Theresa Argondezzi, Health Educator

Public: Diane Lauricella

1) Approval of the September 22, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Dr. Quell moved and Dr. Weinberger seconded a motion to approve the minutes. The minutes passed unanimously.

2) Public Participation

Diane Lauricella requested a meeting with Ms. D'Amore and Mr. Daniels to discuss her recommendations related to COVID-19 messaging and response.

3) Director's Report

- Ms. D'Amore reviewed personnel changes. Three employees have retired. The Environmental Director, Business Manager and a Housing Inspector.
- Ms. D'Amore explained that the Business Manager holds our lab environmental license and with her retirement the department will have to look at the services the lab provides. Ms. D'Amore will be working on this project in months to come.

4) 2020 Community Flu Clinic

Ms. D'Amore thanked all the staff and volunteers that made the flu clinic a success this year. The health department held a drive-thru flu clinic on October 17 and vaccinated over 300 people

and throughout time was on average 12 minutes. Ms. D'Amore said that we had been looking to conduct a paperless clinic for years, and this year we completed one. Ms. Argondezzi said this was a great opportunity to learn a lot and test out a drive-thru model. Ms. D'Amore stated that we will take lessons learned from this clinic and use it for future clinics.

5) COVID-19 Updates

Ms. D'Amore gave an overview of the Health Departments response to COVID- 19, community testing, and Ms. Argondezzi gave an update on the contact tracing program.

7) Reaccreditation Update

Ms. DiMeglio gave an update on reaccreditation and informed the board the health department had requested a 90 day extension. Ms. DiMeglio will give an update at a future meeting.

Adjourn at 9:00 AM