

**WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF HEALTH
RE-ORGANIZATION & REGULAR MEETING
January 22, 2015 – 7:30 p.m.**

The West Amwell Township Board of Health met on the above date.

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Board secretary, Lora Olsen. The meeting was declared in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act as it was advertised as a Reorganization meeting to be followed by a regular meeting in the January 9, 2014 issue of the Trenton Times and the Hunterdon County Democrat. Notice of the meeting has been continuously posted on the Township bulletin board. A copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

Present: Rick Kropp, Ken Hart, George Fisher, Jim Cally, and Brian Mundhenk.

Absent/excused: Zach Rich and John Dale. Also in attendance were Ed & Danuta Morandi

Mr. Cally and Mr. Mundhenk will be full voting members this evening.

The REORGANIZATION meeting commenced.

APPOINTMENTS/OATHS OF OFFICE

Mr. Dale was not in attendance for appointment and swearing in. Item held.

Board Secretary/Township Clerk Lora Olsen administered the Oath of Office to Richard Kropp for a 3 year term as Board Member.

Board Secretary/Township Clerk Lora Olsen administered the Oath of Office to James Cally for a 2 year term as Alternate #1.

NOMINATION OF CHAIR/OATH OF OFFICE

Mrs. Olsen called for nominations for Chair. Mr. Hart nominated Mr. Kropp and Mr. Cally seconded the motion. There were no other nominations. Mr. Kropp was unanimously elected Chair for 2015.

NOMINATION OF VICE CHAIR/OATH OF OFFICE

Mrs. Olsen called for nominations for Vice Chair. Mr. Hart was nominated by Mr. Kropp and Mr. Cally seconded the motion. There were no other nominations. Mr. Hart was unanimously elected Vice Chair for 2015.

Mr. Kropp took over the meeting.

BOH RESOLUTION #01-2015 DESIGNATING A MEETING SCHEDULE

BOH RESOLUTION #01-2015

BE IT RESOLVED by the West Amwell Township Board of Health that Board of Health meetings will be held on the following dates in 2015 at 7:30 p.m.:

March 26

May 28

August 27

Oct 22
Dec 17
with specials as needed

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that meetings of the Board of Health will be held at the Municipal Building, 150 Rocktown-Lamb. Road, Lambertville (West Amwell).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all meetings will be held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Special meetings shall be at the call of the Chair or written request by a member of the Board to the Secretary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that requests for agenda placement be received no later than one week prior to the scheduled meeting date.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Building is handicapped accessible but the Board Secretary's office is to be contact 24 hours in advance for any special accommodations.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be posted on the Township bulletin board and transmitted to the Hunterdon County Democrat and the Trenton Times within seven days of adoption.

The Resolution was unanimously approved on motion by Kropp, seconded by Mundhenk.

BOH RESOLUTION #02-2015 ORGANIZATION OF THE MEETING

BOH RESOLUTION #02-2015

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Health of the Township of West Amwell, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that the Order of Business and the conducting of business at all meetings shall be as follows:

1. Call to order and statement of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act
2. Presentation of Minutes
3. Agenda Review
4. Open to the Public/Topic not on the Agenda
5. Introduction of Ordinances and/or Public Hearing and/or Special Presentation
6. New Business
7. Unfinished Business
8. Administrative, including website review
9. Correspondence
10. Discussion
11. Adjournment

The Resolution was unanimously approved on motion by Fisher, seconded by Hart.

BOH RESOLUTION #03-2015 DESIGNATING THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER(S)

BOH RESOLUTION #03-2015

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Health of the Township of West Amwell, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that the Hunterdon County Democrat be established as the Official Newspaper and the Trenton Times is designated as the daily newspaper having the greatest likelihood of informing the public within the area of jurisdiction of the Township of its meetings.

The Resolution was unanimously approved on motion by Fisher, seconded by Mundhenk.

The REGULAR MEETING was opened.

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES

The December 13, 2014 Regular meeting minutes were held.

AGENDA REVIEW

No additions to the agenda were noted.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC/TOPIC NOT ON THE AGENDA

No one came forward at this time.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND/OR PUBLIC HEARING AND/OR SPECIAL PRESENTATION - none

NEW BUSINESS

2015 STW Appointment Resolution & Possible Back-Up Resolution

BOH RESOLUTION #04-2015

WHEREAS, the West Amwell Board of Health is in need of a soil witness for its 2015 Soil Testing program; and

WHEREAS, James P. Chalupa has expressed interest in continuing in this role for a day rate of \$200.00

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the West Amwell Township Board of Health, that James P. Chalupa be appointed to continue as primary soil witness for the 2015 Soil Testing program

The Resolution was unanimously approved on motion by Fisher, seconded by Kropp.

The Board was advised that this will be Mr. Chalupa's last year. It was suggested that an outreach to Rutgers be made for a list of people who have taken the required soils course.

BOH RESOLUTION #05-2015

WHEREAS, it is desirable to have a plan in place for a back up witness in cases where the primary witness is unavailable; and

WHEREAS, Princeton Hydro has agreed to be the Board's authorized agent for soil test witnessing in cases where the primary witness is unavailable, especially through the wet season testing period of January through April

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the West Amwell Township Board of Health that Princeton Hydro be authorized for soil test witnessing as provided above

BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED, that the applicant will pay the cost of service directly to Princeton Hydro

The Resolution was unanimously approved on motion by Fisher, seconded by Kropp.

Vet for Rabies Clinic and Emergencies: Dr. Maxian has again agreed to administer the rabies vaccine at the November clinic. His fee is \$100/hour. Syringes are an extra cost.

Fisher motion to accept Dr. Maxian's services and Kropp seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

2015 Budget: Discussion focused on delineating and capping the former salt shed area at the DPW. Although it may be cheaper for the DPW employees to dig holes with the back hoe, it may be necessary to bring in a rig to accomplish the core sampling given the underlying rock. The latter would run around \$2500 for the day. After the area is delineated, the soil could be removed and transported to the concrete pad at the garbage depot and covered with a tarp to help diffuse the salt more quickly. Mr. Hart noted that the DEP order is past time for capping the area. The amount and cost of the asphalt needed to cap would depend on the final size of the area delineated for soil removal. An approximate budget number is needed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Update on Salt Wells – Mr. Kropp overviewed the health standards for salt and distributed a booklet on interpreting drinking water quality analysis to the Morandi family. The section on regulations was specifically noted. In response to a question on how to compare the probe results with those previously received from the lab, Mr. Kropp explained the process by which the results are calibrated. The mg/l correlates to the chloride level. He further noted that the use of the probe was to reduce costs to the township. Mr. Morandi inquired whether trends are seen in the latest readings. Unfortunately, this is not always the case as salt movement through the fissures is dependent on rainfall. Rainy periods will lower the dilution levels. The excavation and capping of the former salt storage shed area should also bring down the numbers. The possibility of a neighbor volunteering to run his well to assist in the movement of the salt is being considered. Mr. Morandi spoke about a proposal received from Environmental Processes for a 'point of use' treatment system. A copy of same was provided to his neighbor, Mr. Rose. If it works, the pay back would be seen in less than a year.

Soil Sampling at DPW – Discussed earlier in the meeting.

Website Review – No discussion at this time.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Bill List for January 22, 2015

DATE	VENDOR	AMOUNT PAID
12/30/2014	Russell Reid, Inc (pump outs)	\$1,009.94
1/21/2015	James P. Chalupa	\$ 600.00

NOTE: The above invoices were received and paid from the BOH line item and are provided for informational purposes.

BOARD OF HEALTH SOIL WITNESSING REPORT Month of: December 2014

Tests Performed:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Block Lot</u>	<u>Address</u>
None		

Monies Received and Deposited: \$ 0.00

Fees Refunded: \$ 0.00

The reports were accepted as presented with no further discussion.

CLOSED SESSION & RESULTS, IF ANY

CORRESPONDENCE

The correspondence, as listed on the Agenda, was ordered filed.

DISCUSSION

Mrs. Olsen advised that the initial outreach to the DPW Supervisor concerning setting a specific time for the quarterly water testing resulted in last Tuesday or Wednesday of the month. It has recently been learned that Mr. Hoagland will be retiring as of May 1st. This will necessitate training another DPW employee for this testing activity.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 8:05 p.m. on motion from Kropp.

Respectfully submitted,

Lora Olsen, Secretary

APPROVED: May 28, 2015