

Radnor Township Board of Health
Meeting Minutes
April 16, 2018

Board of Health Members Present: Dr. Joan Capuzzi, Mr. Paul Crotty, Dr. Andrew Forman (Chair), Dr. Amit Khanna, Ms. Linda Schanne, Dr. Nancy Sharts-Hopko, Dr. Charles Wheeler

Radnor Township Health Inspector: Marie Carbonara
Student Interns: Emily Chen, Julia Shi
BOC member: Sean Farhy, 7th Ward

Absent: Ms. Kathy Durr, Mr. Matthew McCaffery

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

- I. Review and approval of March 19, 2018 meeting minutes
- II. Health Officer's Report
 - a. Inspections, upcoming events, and public health concerns were reported.
 - b. If any member has expertise on a safe school hotline for parents, students and the community, input is being elicited.
- III. Old Business
 - a. Proposed Chicken Ownership guidelines: No updates.
 - b. Upcoming presentations: Our student interns will present their projects at our June meeting.
 - c. Vaping presentation: Linda Schanne elicited input for a presentation she will provide at our May meeting. It was suggested that we inform the school community that this presentation will be made.
 - d. Smoking in parks and outdoor dining facilities: A lengthy discussion ensued regarding the issue of regulating smoking in parks and outdoor dining areas. Issues that were raised included:
 - i. What are current smoking policies; determine if there are any bylaws in Radnor Township regarding smoking in public
 - ii. What is the danger of outdoor second-hand smoke
 - iii. Diminishing personal freedoms
 - iv. Causing smokers to move into yards / driveways
 - v. Extent of the problem
 - vi. Harm of role-modeling to children
 - vii. Effect of car exhaust on outdoor diners
 - viii. Unable to curb smokers near outdoor dining
 - ix. Desirability of restaurants advertising policy
 - x. Value of an open hearing

- xi. Desirability of input from restaurateurs
- xii. What is general air quality policy in Township

IV. New Business

- a. Upcoming summer activities: Heather DiCanzio reported on upcoming events and summer camps sponsored by the Recreation and Community Programming Department.
- b. Gas leaf blowers: Dr. Sharts-Hopko shared a presentation by Dr. Lucy Weinstein of SUNY Stony Brook School of Medicine on the significant health hazards associated with gas leaf blowers. This will be shared on the Radnor Township website.
- c. Flu update: Dr. Forman reported that Influenza Type B is still demonstrating an uptick though overall, flu is ebbing. Preventive strategies, particularly handwashing, and prompt treatment continue to be important.
- d. Safe School Symposium: A mental health symposium is planned for April 18; mental health expertise has been elicited for this event.
- e. Mumps: Dr. Forman provided updated information, particularly concern with diminished vaccine effectiveness and the need for boosters among late teens.

V. Announcements- None

VI. Public Participation-None

Adjournment at 6:43 pm, please join next Board of Health meeting:

Monday May 21, 2018 at 5:30 pm.

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4/18/2018