



## MINUTES

Northvale Board of Health

April 10, 2025

7:00 PM

### CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Mrs. Visconi called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM in the Board of Health meeting room located on the second floor of the Municipal Building at 116 Paris Avenue, Northvale, New Jersey 07647.

### Mrs. Visconi read the “Sunshine Statement” into the record as follows

*“This is a Regular Meeting of the Board of Health of the Borough of Northvale. The date, time and location of this meeting have been advertised in the official newspaper of the Borough, filed with the Municipal Clerk, and posted in the Borough Hall. All notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act for this meeting have been fulfilled. Please note the fire exits as required by law at public meetings. This is a no smoking facility.”*

### ROLL CALL

Present: Dr. Levine, Mrs. Hunkin, Mrs. Uglione, Mr. Yoon, Mrs. Visconi  
Also Present: Joe Gauiter, Bergen County Health Department, Councilman Sokoloski,  
Frances Weston, Municipal Clerk  
Absent: William Guyt

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion made by Mr. Yoon, seconded by Mrs. Hunkin, all were in favor to approve the Minutes of the January 9, 2025 Meeting.

### CORRESPONDENCE

1. Northvale Public School  
Immunization Audit Report
2. I Plus One Academy  
Immunization Audit Report

### 2025 REVENUE COLLECTED TO DATE

Food Establishment License Fees	\$13,875.00
Death Certificate Fees	\$15,150.00
Birth Certificate Fees	\$ 0.00
Marriage Certificate Fees	\$ 384.00
Pet Licensing	\$ 3,175.00

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$32,584.00</b>
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## **PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Ratify and approve all bills paid between January 1, 2025 and April 1, 2025.

1. <b>RR Donnelly</b>	\$ 213.00
Safety Paper	
2. <b>Gannett Media Group</b>	\$ 12.32
Legal Ad	
3. <b>Office Concepts Group</b>	\$ 59.00
Copy Paper	
4. <b>MGL Printing Solutions</b>	
Dog/Cat License Tags	\$ 542.00
License Form Paper	\$ 477.00
5. <b>Business Information Systems</b>	\$ 535.65
Recorder Annual Fee	
6. <b>Bergen County Health Department</b>	\$15,630.88
Jan-June Contract	
7. <b>TYCO Animal Control</b>	\$ 1,100.00
January, February	
8. <b>NJ Department of Health</b>	\$ 275.40
January, February	

On a motion made by Mr. Yoon, seconded by Mrs. Uglione all were in favor to ratify and approve the bills paid between January 1, 2025 and April 1, 2025.

## **OPEN MEETING TO PUBLIC**

Kevin Trainor, 619 Wildwood Road West – As a health care practitioner, he has no opposition to allowing residents to have chickens.

Deb Pawlowski, 111 Paris Avenue – has no opinion about allowing chickens. What will the regulations be if this is approved. How will this be enforced?

## **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Mrs. Weston advised the members that there have been 185 dog licenses renewed. Letters have been sent out to the ones not renewed. Last year we issued 231 dog licenses. There were 22 cat licenses renewed. All food licensed have been removed. Thank you to the County Board of Health for getting the final few establishments renewed. The rabies clinic will be October 7<sup>th</sup>. David will handle the flu shots same as last year. Next meeting is June 19<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM.

## **NEW BUSINESS – Proposed Chicken Ordinance**

Mrs. Visconi asked the members to discuss the proposed ordinance they received from the Borough Attorney which would allow chickens. She went over the different parts of the ordinance. Councilman Sokoloski explained the zoning officer will be the one to enforce this. Mrs. Hunkin feels this will be very difficult to enforce. Mr. Yoon stated that having this ordinance is better than what we currently have. If we can enforce this, it will have a positive



effect. Councilman Sokoloski explained the process of changing the ordinance which would be to introduce the ordinance then at the next meeting adopt it. Dr. Levine asked how many complaints have there been in the last two years. Mrs. Uglione was concerned about the distance from your home. Joe Gauiter from the County Board of Health advised the members that the Board of Health handles public health nuisance complaints such as odor or rodent complaints. Mrs. Hunkin is against this. Mr. Yoon thinks if we can guarantee enforcement it would be good.

Councilman Sokoloski told the members he is for allowing chickens and so is the Mayor and rest of the council.

**OLD BUSINESS-** No old business to discuss.

## **REPORTS**

### **Pest Control Officer's Report**

Mr. Guyt was not present.

### **Health Officer's Report** –January, February, March

### **Nurse's Report** – January, February, March

### **TYCO Animal Control Officer's Report** – January, February, March

On a motion made by Mr. Yoon, seconded by Mrs. Uglione all were in favor to accept the Health Officer's, Nurse's, and TYCO's reports.

## **COUNCIL MEMBER REPORT**

Councilman Sokoloski has nothing else to discuss.

## **BOARD MEMBERS COMMENTS**

None of the board members had any comments at this time.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion made by Mrs. Hunkin, seconded by Mrs. Uglione all were in favor to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Frances M. Weston*

Frances Weston  
Municipal Clerk

Approved: June 19, 2025

