

Radnor Township Board of Health
Meeting Minutes
September 17, 2018

Board of Health Members Present: Dr. Andrew Forman, Ms. Linda Schanne, Dr. Nancy Sharts-Hopko, Dr. Joan Capuzzi, Dr. Charles Wheeler

Radnor Township Health Inspector: Marie Carbonara
Assistant Health Inspector: Kathryn Carlomagno
Board of Commissioners Liaison: John Nagle

Absent: Mr. Paul Crotty, Ms. Kathy Durr, Dr. Amit Khanna, Mr. Matthew McCaffery

The meeting was called to order at 5:38 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

- I. Review and approval of June 18, 2018 meeting minutes deferred.
- II. Health Officer's Report
 - Since our last meeting, inspections of 100 food service institutions 76 pools.
 - In July the Health Officer joined with Recreation to conduct a program on vaping for middle school children at township camp.
 - In August, The Health Officer andthe Police taught CPR to middle school physical education teachers.
 - In August, HO attended infection control training with the hope of creating a program here.
 - Mosquito spray alerts were disseminated around August 20.
 - Flu shot clinic will be conducted for Radnor Employees October 10 at 11-3; non –Aetna insured people will be admitted
 - Addressed 14 complaints, mostly regarding mosquitos
 - Flooding in the township on August 13 resulted in damage to two restaurants, one of which is not yet open.
 - Delaware County is gathering data on the extent of flood damage
 - Additional meetings attended addressed workplace safety, and smartphones and sleep
- III. Old Business
 - a. Proposed Chicken Ownership guidelines were forwarded to the Planning Commission; ~~Dr. Capuzzi~~ and Foreman will attend the next meeting.
 - b. Teen sleep: A committee, Radnor Teen and Adolescent Sleep and School Start Time Committee, has been formed to continue to evaluate how districts can change time and organize sports events. A bill has been introduced to the PA legislature on this issue.

- c. Smoking regulations: Dr. Wheeler reported on PA smoking regulations. There are already laws in PA that limit what this board can recommend. After further discussion and public comment specific to this issue, the following recommendation was approved:

The Radnor Township Board of Health, after much discussion of literature and Pennsylvania law regarding smoking in outdoor public athletic and recreational areas, recommends that at each Township park or playground a smoking area be established.. The area must be clearly marked to comply with State law.

IV. New Business

- a. New student interns: L. Schanne has reached out to the Director of Guidance at Radnor High School seeking two students at the junior or senior level.
- b. Dr. Capuzzi will make a presentation on West Nile Virus next month.
- c. Gas leaf blowers: N. Sharts-Hopko shared materials related to this concern over the summer with members of the BOH. It seems that a ban on excessive noise would address the age and level of emissions of these devices as new ones are quieter; and a limit on the timing of their use would ease concerns about noise pollution.
- d. Ready for 100: After an introduction to the issue of the adverse health effects of climate change, Robin Mann addressed the BOH on the community organization, Ready for 100. This organization is committed to a clean energy grid by 2035. They seek the BOH's endorsement of this to the Board of Commissioners; and they would like for Radnor Township to begin with an energy audit and a commitment to convert to renewable energy sources for public buildings. Another issue is the fact that many housing developments in the township ban solar panels. A personal assessment of energy use has been posted on the Township website.
- e. Issues related to climate change include use of plastic bags, and damage from recent flooding.
- f. Opioids: Noted that the American Association of Pediatrics encourages the provision of Nalaxone in school nurse offices.
- g. L. Schanne presented a program on vaping at Archbishop Carroll High School today that was well received.
- h. Flu vaccine (liked virus vaccine) is available – get it as soon as possible.

Adjournment at 6:31 pm, please join the next Board of Health meeting:

Monday October 15, 2018 at 5:30 pm.