

The meeting was called to order at 7:05PM

President Cheriyan stated that notice of this meeting held via Zoom was posted on the Bergenfield Website, sent by e-mail to the Record and Cablevision in compliance with the “the Open Public Meetings Act”. It was placed on one Bulletin board in the Municipal Building and placed on file in the Borough Clerk’s office.

ROLL CALL

- Dr. Cheriyan
- Mrs. Pfannen
- Mr. Cabuhat
- Mr. Gerundo-Absent**
- Mrs. Marte-Absent**

Also, present AnneMarie Delacruz, Liz Cruz, Mr. Fedorko, Sue Barker, Pam Lesnak,

OPEN HEARINGS.

There being no one present who wished to be heard, on a motion made by Mr. Cabuhat seconded by Vice-President Pfannen and carried the time for Open Hearings was closed.

MINUTES

President Cheriyan thanked Annemarie for the minutes. A motion was made by Mr. Cabuhat and seconded by Vice- President Pfannen and carried that the Minutes of the regular meeting of June 2024 be accepted as written.

BILLS TO BE PAID

Mrs. Delacruz stated that on behalf of President Cheriyan, Purchase Orders have been signed by Mrs. Delacruz and submitted. A motion was made by Vice-President Pfannen, seconded by Mr. Cabuhat, and carried that the following bills were reviewed and approved.

Amazon Services -	\$ 302.72
Cooper Pest Solutions -	\$ 1, 174.08
CLIA Lab Program-	\$ 248.00
McKesson Medical-	\$ 752.19
McKesson Medical-	\$ 234.90
Mid- Bergen Regional	\$ 21,705.00
Nancy Rothenberg M.D	\$ 2,500.00
Pyramid Imprints	\$ 536.00
Safe Sitter	\$ 410.50
Tyco	\$ 6053.32 (2 months)
Tyco	\$ 3146.66
WB Mason	\$ 87.04

REPORTS**Legal and Finance**

No Report

Medical

No Report due to the absence of Mr. Gerundo

Personnel

“No Report”

Publicity

The Board of Health meeting was advertised on the Bergenfield Website, The Record and Cablevision.

Liaison To Mayor & Council

“No Report”

Legislature & Regulatory

“No Report”

Written Reports of the Department

President Cheriyan discussed the new Federal Government Ban on E-cigarettes. He stated that the Federal Government is planning on banning E cigarettes and asked Susan if there are any statutes regarding E cigarettes. Susan explained the statutes to the Board briefly.

Susan also mentioned that summonses have been issued to Black Bear and Happy Dayz Smoke Shops. She stated that if they were found guilty, they would be reported to the State Of New Jersey and they could lose their licenses. Susan stated that they may plan on hiring an attorney. Susan mentioned that Black Bear has cleaned up some of its products, since receiving the summons, also stated that she has provided printed copies of the statutes and handed it to each of the owners and they continue to ignore the issues.

There being nothing further discussed a motion was made to pass the Department reports by Vice-President Pfannen and seconded by Mr. Cabuhat.

CORRESPONDENCE

“Nothing to Report”

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mrs. Delacruz read the Introduction to the Ordinance Retail Food License Requirements Amendment of Chapter 344-26A. All members present voted “YES” a motion was made by Vice-President Pfannen to pass the first reading and seconded by Mr. Cabuhat. The next reading will be the Final passage of the ordinance which will be read at the September 10, 2024, meeting. The Ordinance will be published in the record prior to the meeting.

There was a brief conversation regarding pickleball. President Cheriyan stated that he and the Mayor had discussed the hours and field restrictions for pickleball. Mr. Fedorko stated that he went up to the pickleball fields twice and both times it was not a violation, and he documented the time and the decibel levels. Mr. Fedorko stated that even with many people on the fields it was still not a violation. Mr. Fedorko agreed to do a formal report for the Board and President Cheriyan agreed. Mr. Cabuhat inquired as to why the TNR was not on the agenda of unfinished Business. President Cheriyan stated the TNR discussion has been discussed at several meetings, and at this time there was no clarity as to where funding for the program would come from. President Cheriyan also stated that he has discussed funding with Councilman Deauna, Mr. Cabuhat stated that funding would come from Grants.

Vice-President Pfannen explained that a cat colony would need to be set up first, she also confirmed that at a previous meeting with Mr. Cabuhat it was agreed that a feral cat problem is currently not an issue in Bergenfield. Mrs. Delacruz stated that Tyco sends monthly reports on the Services they provide. Ms. Barker requested Mrs. DeLaCruz to add this to the report each month. Vice-President Pfannen stated that Tyco had captured a total of 35 stray cats, out of the 35 cats, 5 were ill and 30 were adopted or reclaimed. President Cheriyan requested Mrs. Delacruz to keep track of this report and update the Board accordingly, so that the Board can come up with a solution for the TNR program.

NEW BUSINESS

President Cheriyan briefly reviewed the personnel policies of the Health Dept Employees and requested that all employees review the updates (if any) on an annual basis. President Cheriyan stated the Mid-Bergen assignments and the meetings for education that was held regarding the Mayors Wellness program, President Cheriyan requested that the responsibilities be divided between the health educators and the per diem nurses with programs related to substance abuse and stigma free activities.

The responsibilities should be delegated so that no one is overburdened and that the work is equally shared since Mid- Bergen is willing to provide these services. Mr. Cabuhat inquired about the issue of overtime and President Cheriyan explained this in detail. President Cheriyan mentioned that Liz has been diligently working on this and confirmed with Liz that she will be delegating the work in the future to Mid- Bergen. Vice-President Pfannen mentioned that she spoke with the Mayor and that he is planning on extending the programs, however Bergenfield’s participation will not be as extensive as it had been during the campaign. President Cheriyan said he is glad to know that the Mayors Wellness is going well. Nurse Liz mentioned that she is not sure how much more activities will be added to the program. President Cheriyan requested that the Board be provided with the statistics of all the programs at the September meeting.

Mrs. Delacruz stated that she has renewed and paid for the zoom contract for 2024-2025. President Cheriyan thanked Mrs. Delacruz. President Cheriyan mentioned that there will be no meetings for July and August. He wished all the members and staff a Happy 4th of July and safe summer.

VERBAL COMMUNICATION

“Nothing to Report”

ADJOURNMENT

There being nothing further to come before the Board, on a motion by Vice-President Pfannen, seconded by Mr. Cabuhat and carried, the meeting was adjourned 8:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Annemarie DelaCruz
Registrar of Vital Statistics*