

The Reorganization Meeting of the Board of Health of the Borough of Moonachie is called to order by Vice President M. Mezzina via Zoom on January 8, 2024 at 7:34pm.

M. Cinque called for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL: M. Cinque-excused, M. Mezzina, J. Anastasio, L. Martinez, R. Wende-present
Attorney Juan Moran, Maria Schmitt, Health Inspector- present
Councilwoman Karen Surak, Liaison to Mayor and Council- present

Secretary stated that notice of the meeting was published in The Record on January 4, 2024, posted in the Municipal Building, and on the Borough website that the meeting would be held over Zoom in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Motion by R. Wende, second by L. Martinez to waive the Regular Order of Business.

ROLL CALL: Mezzina, Anastasio, Martinez, Wende.

All ayes. So ordered.

REORGANIZATION:

Swearing in of Appointed Members (1)

Motion by M. Mezzina, second by R. Wende to elect M. Cinque for President for 2024.

ROLL CALL: Mezzina, Anastasio, Martinez, Wende.

All ayes. So ordered.

Motion by L. Martinez, second by J. Anastasio to election M. Mezzina for Vice-President for 2024.

ROLL CALL: Mezzina, Anastasio, Martinez, Wende.

All ayes. So ordered.

Motion by R. Wende, second by L. Martinez to appoint Jennifer Cooney as Board Secretary for 2024.

ROLL CALL: Mezzina, Anastasio, Martinez, Wende.

All ayes. So ordered.

RESOLUTIONS

Motion by R. Wende, second by L. Martinez to approve the following Resolution:

ROLL CALL: Mezzina, Anastasio, Martinez, Wende.

All ayes. So ordered.

RESOLUTION #2024-01 RESOLUTION EMPLOYING AN ATTORNEY WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the services of a BOARD OF HEALTH ATTORNEY in accordance with appropriate New Jersey law; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of said contract shall be in accordance with the dictates of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the all legal services at the hourly rate of \$100.00 per hour, the annual contract shall not exceed \$5,000 and funds are subject to an appropriation by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Moonachie and will be provided by the local finance office when appropriated; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:111 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids and the Contract itself must be available for public inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the BOARD OF HEALTH OF THE BOROUGH OF MOONACHIE as follows:

1. The President and Secretary of the BOARD OF HEALTH are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Contract with Juan C. Morán Esq.

2. This Contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the services are to be performed by a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.

3. The Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution.

4. A Notice of this action shall be printed once in the official newspaper of the Borough.

Motion by L. Martinez, second by J. Anastasio to approve the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION #2024-02

WHEREAS, Section 13 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 requires that a public body post and maintain posted throughout the year, a schedule of the regular meetings of the public body to be held during the year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Moonachie Board of Health that the following meetings will constitute the Regular meetings of the Board of Health for year 2024:

March 11
June 10
September 9
November 11

All Meetings will be held at 7:30PM as a remote public meeting via Zoom. Formal action will be taken.

The Zoom information is as follows:

Zoom Video Link: <https://zoom.us/j/99597073364>

Meeting ID: 995 9707 3364 Passcode: 813428

By Phone: 1-929-205-6099

Find local number: <https://zoom.us/u/aF6usEnM8>

Public comment will be available during the public hearing portion of the meeting via audio, video or the Zoom chat function. Members of the public are also able to submit their questions in writing or via email to jcooney@moonachie.us at least 3 days prior to the meeting.

All necessary meeting information and documents will be posted on the Borough website:

<https://www.moonachie.us/board-health>

ROLL CALL: Mezzina, Anastasio, Martinez, Wende.

All ayes. So ordered.

MINUTES

Motion by J. Anastasio, second by R. Wende to adopt the minutes of November 13, 2023.

ROLL CALL: Mezzina, Anastasio, Martinez, Wende.

All ayes. So ordered.

COMMUNICATIONS

Bergen County Department of Health Services November, December 2023

Health Consultation Report November, December 2023

Registrar of Vital Statistics Report November, December 2023

Bergen County Animal Control November 2023

Office of Borough Clerk

Appointment to Members of the Board **Term Expires**

Madelena Mezzina 12/31/2026

Impact Environmental Remedial Action Protectiveness/Biennial
Certification form, 131 West Commercial Ave.
B67/L8

Motion by L. Martinez, second by J. Anastasio to file communications.

ROLL CALL: Mezzina, Anastasio, Martinez, Wende.

All ayes. So ordered.

Report from Health Inspector Maria Schmitt:

Maria mentioned that the inspections have been finished, and now with the new year inspections restart and following up with establishments that have not renewed applications yet. She will review with the Secretary tomorrow.

OLD BUSINESS None

NEW BUSINESS

Dog Licenses issued: 65

M. Mezzina asked regarding the amount of licenses issued compared to last year. Secretary mentioned that it is about the same, and second notices can be sent out to those that have not renewed yet.

C/Surak asked about the number of outstanding licenses.

Secretary mentioned the total for 2023 was around 180, but some people have called to say they have moved or the dogs had passed away.

PUBLIC HEARING No one wished to be heard.

Motion by R. Wende, second by L. Martinez to close Public Hearing.

ROLL CALL: Mezzina, Anastasio, Martinez, Wende.

All ayes. So ordered.

Motion by J. Anastasio, second by L. Martinez to adjourn meeting at 7:48 P.M.

ROLL CALL: Mezzina, Anastasio, Martinez, Wende.

All ayes. So ordered.

ATTEST:

Jennifer Cooney, Secretary