

BOARD OF HEALTH
BOROUGH OF MOONACHIE
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

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The Regular Meeting of the Board of Health of the Borough of Moonachie is called to order by President M. Cinque via Zoom on February 8, 2021 at 7:38pm.

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

ROLL CALL: M. Cinque, M. Mezzina, L. Martinez-present, R. Wende- not present
Attorney Juan Moran-present, 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 21, 2021, 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.

COMMUNICATIONS

Bergen County Department of Health Services	January 2021
Registrar of Vital Statistics Report	January 2021
Health Consultation Report	January 2021

Motion by L. Martinez, second by M. Mezzina to file communications.

ROLL CALL: Cinque, Mezzina, Martinez.

All ayes. So ordered.

Report from Health Inspector Maria Schmitt:

Maria spoke about licenses and that Quickmart still needs to get theirs but will this week. The inspections for the peddler's licenses have been slow due to the snow. Restarting inspections because of the beginning of the year.

OLD BUSINESS

Cat Feeding:

C/Surak asked about pictures of feeding cats.

Maria mentioned that she cannot use pictures as evidence, she or one of the other inspectors would have to see it in person.

C/Surak spoke about the Mayor getting complaints about the cats in the area.

Maria mentioned that Animal Control tried to get the neighbors in the area to set traps but they will not agree to it. The residents have to want to cooperate in order to relieve the issue.

C/Surak asked about when will Animal Control come pickup the trap if a cat is in it.

Maria mentioned that Animal Control would usually come later that day to pick it up and bring the cat to the Animal Shelter.

C/Surak asked about issuing a summons to the person feeding the cats.

Maria mentioned that she cannot write a summons because there is no ordinance in Moonachie to write it up against. Spoke about other towns have ordinances against feeding.

C/Surak mentioned that at the last Council Meeting the mayor and Council discussed the animal feeding and body art ordinance and the Mayor had asked the Borough Attorney to reach out to Attorney Moran.

Attorney Moran mentioned that he did not hear from the Borough Attorney but will reach out to him and the Mayor about the Ordinance. He will do research and try to get a draft for the next Board of Health Meeting.

Body Art Ordinance:

Attorney Moran reviewed the draft of the Ordinance, reviewed that the Ordinance refers to the State Administrative Code for body art, person seeking body art services, penalties for violations.

M. Cinque asked about the cost should be between \$250-\$300, asked about what the average prices were for the restaurant licenses.

Secretary mentioned that aside from the larger restaurants, most of the establishment are between \$125 and \$150.

L. Martinez mentioned that the license fee should be between \$250 and \$300, since they are doing more there.

M. Mezzina mentioned that the license fee should be \$300.

Board agreed that the license fee should be \$300, larger towns have it set at \$500, and they want to stay in line with other Borough fees.

Maria mentioned that even if the salon does not go into microblading it is good to at least have the Ordinance approved and in the Borough Code.

NEW BUSINESS

Dog License Issued: 137 Last year: 191

Secretary mentioned that the Borough purchased new dog license software and will be switching over in the future, and that because of the snow and Covid-19 that may be why people did not renew as fast as last year. She did not send out late notices yet to those that have not renewed licenses.

Board discussed extending the date for dog licenses to March 31.

Motion by M. Mezzina and second by L. Martinez to approve the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION #2021-03

WHEREAS, Dog Licenses are required to be applied for by January 31, 2021 and thereafter a late fee is charged; and

WHEREAS, due to COVID-19 it is in the public interest to extend the application date from January 31, 2021 to March 31, 2021; and

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Moonachie Board of Health that the Dog License application date be extended from January 31 2021 to March 31, 2021 be and is hereby confirmed.

ROLL CALL: Cinque, Mezzina, Martinez.

All ayes. So ordered.

PUBLIC HEARING: No one wished to be heard.

Motion by L. Martinez, second by M.Mezzina to close Public Hearing.

ROLL CALL: Cinque, Mezzina, Martinez.

All ayes. So ordered.

Motion by M. Mezzina, second by L. Martinez to adjourn meeting at 8:32pm.

ROLL CALL: Cinque, Mezzina, Martinez.

All ayes. So ordered.

ATTEST:

Jennifer Cooney, Secretary