

## **HIGHTSTOWN BOARD OF HEALTH**

Minutes from September 9, 2020 Meeting

### **Board Members Present:**

Jennifer Bernal  
Walt Hewitt  
John Laudenberger, DM (Vice President)  
Skye Gilmartin  
Deb Napolitano  
Jean Ray  
Elizabeth Morley (remote)

### **Board Members Excused:**

Nancy Distelcamp (President)

### **Township Council Liaison**

Joe Cicalese

### **Staff Present:**

Geetanjali Jain, Public Health Nurse  
Jill Swanson, Health Officer

### **Staff Excused:**

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### **Call to Order**

Vice-President Laudenberger called the September 9, 2020 meeting to order at 7:37 pm.

### **Sunshine Law**

Adequate Notice of this meeting has been provided as required under Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 with notices being sent and posted.

### **Public Comment**

No public was present to comment

### **Approval of Minutes**

No minutes were discussed or approved.

### **Health Officer's Report**

Jill Swanson presented reports for months March through August and discussed them at length. The Department's COVID-19 pandemic response and current stats were reviewed.

### **Public Health Nurse's Report**

Geetanjali Jain presented the Nurse's report and it was discussed at length.

March: 11 Reportable Diseases

April: 2

May: 0

June: 0

July: 2

August: 0

75 Total immunizations.

### **Old Business**

No old business was discussed

### **New Business**

#### **Discussion Topic - COVID-19 Activity Level Report**

The NJDOH Weekly COVID-19 Activity Level Report was reviewed along with the application of the risk based approach to decision making in educational settings.

Jill Swanson discussed the possibility for future meetings being remote or in person. Board members indicated a preference for in-person meetings.

### **Adjournment**

Vice President Laudenberger made a motion for adjournment. Member Hewitt seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 pm.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday October 14, 2020

Respectfully submitted,

Jill Swanson  
Health Officer