

**READINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF HEALTH**  
**December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023, 7:00 p.m.**

Chair Colburn called the meeting to order at 7:01 P.M. and announced that all laws governing the Open Public Meetings Act have been met and that this meeting has been duly advertised.

**A. SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

**B. ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL**

Jodi Bettermann	Present	Theresa Brown Biondo	Present	John Kalinich	Absent
Karen Mittleman	Present	David Olsen	Present	Chair Colburn	Present

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**1. Approval of minutes from the 11/15/2023 Meeting**

A motion was made by Ms. Mittleman and seconded by Ms. Brown Biondo for approval of the minutes as amended. On roll call, the following was recorded:

Jodi Bettermann	Aye	Theresa Brown Biondo	Aye	John Kalinich	Absent
Karen Mittleman	Aye	David Olsen	Aye	Chair Colburn	Aye

**D. CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Public Health Update: Update to Cinnamon Applesauce Pouches Recall
2. Public Health Recall: Food Recalls
3. Public Health Info: Influenza Surveillance Report, Week ending November 11, 2023 (MMWR week 45)
4. Public Health Advisory: Warning Not to Use Certain Brands of Saline and Sterile Water Medical Products by Nurse Assist
5. Public Health Info: COVID-19 and Respiratory Illness Activity Report for week ending 11\_11\_23
6. Public Health Info: COVID-19 and Respiratory Illness Activity Report for week ending 11\_11\_23
7. Public Health Recall: PandaEar Stainless Steel Toddler Cup Recall Announced
8. Public Health Update: Increased Canine Respiratory Illnesses in United States
9. Public Health Info: Federal Program - Free COVID-19 tests for schools. Contact Info: [covid19.testmaterials@doh.nj.gov](mailto:covid19.testmaterials@doh.nj.gov)
10. Public Health Advisory: ACTION REQUESTED to pull Wanabana brand Apple Cinnamon Fruit Puree Pouches from Dollar Tree and Amazon locations due to high lead concentrations

11. Public Health Advisory: Mpox Caused by Human -to- Human Transmission of Monkeypox Virus with Geographic Spread in the Democratic Republic of the Congo
12. Public Health Advisory: Severe and Fatal Confirmed Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever among People with Recent Travel to Tecate, Mexico
13. Public Health Info: COVID-19 and Respiratory Illness Activity Report for week ending 12\_02\_23

*There was no discussion on correspondence items.*

**E. APPROVALS**

**Alteration/No Expansion:**

*Time heard 7:07 p.m.*

**1. Block 56/Lot 7 – Parker Engineering – 98 Readington Road**

Escrow fees paid 10/30/2023 Ck #243 \$750.00

Mr. Steve Parker, NJ licensed engineer, appeared before the board. The alteration is for an existing 4-bedroom dwelling. A real estate transfer occurred, and the client is the new owner. The system will be a 1000-gal tank. The property has a steep front yard and behind the house is a well. The raised pump system will require a deed restriction. The owners are aware of maintenance requirements and deed restriction requirements.

The board asked Mr. Parker:

1. The board questioned the placement and why the side is not being utilized. A 6-foot drop will require a lot of fill.
2. The swale was questioned on the map.
3. The 3-1 slope has to be more than 3-1. It should be a 5-1 slope to prevent breakout.

Mr. Jupinka responded:

1. They tested the soil on the side but the soil there was worse. As for the flat area in the back, the residents would like to preserve some areas for future use.
2. The swale is on most of our drawings.
3. I can certainly do that.

Chair Colburn asked if there were any additional questions or discussion; there was no response.

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Olsen for approval as follows:

<b>Block / Lot:</b>	56/7
<b>Street Location:</b>	98 Readington Road
<b>Number Bedrooms:</b>	4
<b>Map Title:</b>	Septic System Design, 98 Readington Road, Tax Map Lot 7 Block 56 Township of Readington Hunterdon County, New Jersey
<b>Number Sheets:</b>	1-2
<b>Map Date(s):</b>	November 08, 2023
<b>Prepared By:</b>	Stephen E. Parker, P. E

**Survey:** Map of Land for Gavin S. Nagle Lot 7 in Block 56 Situated in Readington Township, Hunterdon County, New Jersey prepared by Newton Land Surveyor, David M. Newton, N.J.P.L.S. dated June 2, 2023

**Reports:** Hunterdon County Department of Health letter dated November 16, 2023  
 The system will incorporate a pump which will require a deed restriction to be filed at the Hunterdon County Clerk’s office and a copy returned to the BOH secretary within 90 days after installation. The engineer has informed the property owner of the maintenance requirements of the pump and effluent filter. The Board of Health secretary will email the deed restriction information to Mr. Parker so that he can provide the deed restriction information to the applicant.

The motion was seconded by Ms. Theresa Brown Biondo. On roll call vote, the following was recorded:

Jodi Bettermann	Aye	Theresa Brown Biondo	Aye	John Kalinich	Absent
Karen Mittleman	Aye	David Olsen	Aye	Chair Colburn	Aye

**F. APPROVALS - EXPANSION/NEW CONSTRUCTION**

None.

**G. OLD BUSINESS**

None.

**H. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Approval of Registrar Appointments:  
 Registrar of Vital Statistics – Meg Slutter, CMR  
 Deputy Registrar – Danielle Monaghan, CMR  
 Alternate Deputy Registrar – Darlene Mitchell, CMR

A motion was made to approve the 2024 Registrar appointments by Karen Mittleman, seconded by David Olsen, and carried by all.

Jodi Bettermann	Aye	Theresa Brown Biondo	Aye	John Kalinich	Absent
Karen Mittleman	Aye	David Olsen	Aye	Chair Colburn	Aye

2. 2024 Free Rabies Clinic: Saturday, January 6, 2024, 10 AM-12 PM  
 It was requested that a report of the number of dogs and cats be provided.

3. 2024 Board of Health Meeting Dates:  
 All Board of Health Meetings will be held in the Readington Township Courtroom at 7:00 PM.

January 17 <sup>th</sup>	July 17 <sup>th</sup>
February 21 <sup>st</sup>	August 21 <sup>st</sup>
March 20 <sup>th</sup>	September 18 <sup>th</sup>
April 17 <sup>th</sup>	October 16 <sup>th</sup>
May 15 <sup>th</sup>	November 20 <sup>th</sup>
June 19 <sup>th</sup>	December 18 <sup>th</sup>

A motion was made by Jodi Bettermann, seconded by Theresa Brown Biondo, and carried by all.

Jodi Bettermann	Aye	Theresa Brown Biondo	Aye	John Kalinich	Absent
Karen Mittleman	Aye	David Olsen	Aye	Chair Colburn	Aye

**4. Refuse Hauler Application Review:**

The draft application was reviewed by the members. Edit recommendations were discussed. It was discussed what would be required by the applicant (i.e. certificate of insurance) and fees. Comments will be used to edit the application. Continues to be a work in progress.

**I. COMMUNICATION PLAN UPDATE**

Members discussed the communication plan for January. One topic will be the salt ordinance information and recommendations for pets. Karen will provide information to the secretary to create a salt post. Posting the 2024 meeting dates and members was discussed. Carbon monoxide information will also be a topic for January. Jodi will send information to the secretary to create a post.

**J. COMMENTS**

Vacancies and members up for reappointment on the board were discussed. Members discussed the escrow money held for deed restrictions and where does it go? The process of filing a deed restriction was discussed.

**K. ADJOURNMENT**

A **MOTION** was made by Karen Mittleman to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 P.M., seconded by Theresa Brown Biondo, with a vote of Ayes all, Nays none recorded.

Respectfully submitted:

Danielle Monaghan, Board of Health Secretary