

**BOROUGH OF MADISON BOARD OF HEALTH  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
April 3, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

A Meeting of the Board of Health of the Borough of Madison was held on the 3rd day of April 2023. Board President, Dr. Joseph Balwierczak, called the meeting to order at 7:33pm.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**STATEMENT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT:**

Dr. Balwierczak read the statement pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act.

**ROLL CALL:**

Attendance was recorded in person:

Board Member:	Present	Absent
Dr. Joseph Balwierczak	x	
Mr. Thomas Haralampoudis	x	
Mr. Mitchell Horn		x
Mr. Kevin McCarthy	x	
Ms. Marianne McConnell	x	
Ms. Cassandra Sledge	x	
Ms. Kathy McGrath (Alternate #1)	x	

Also Present:

Mr. Peter King, Board Attorney

Ms. Sarah Perramant, Assistant Health Officer, attending via Zoom

**REGULAR MEETING ITEMS:**

**AGENDA REVIEW:**

Dr. Balwierczak provided an agenda overview; no need for executive session was determined.

**PRIOR MEETING MINUTES:**

On a motion by Ms. Cassandra Sledge and seconded by Ms. McGrath, the meeting minutes for February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023 were unanimously approved.

**REPORTS:**

***HEALTH OFFICER:***

Ms. Perramant, gave the health officer's report, including updates concerning the following items:

- Ms. Perramant informed the board that Amy Monaco has resigned from the Bloomfield Health Dept. and replacing her as the Madison Health Officer is Maya Lordo (Essex County Health Officer). Sarah will still be the representative health officer for the Bloomfield Health Dept. and will be in the Madison Health office 2 days a week.

- A federal COVID grant application for 2022/23 was submitted for CPR dummies and AED training equipment that will be the property of Madison. Much of the federal grant will be directed for employee salary enhancement. Another federal grant will be awarded for 2023/2024 and the deadline for project requests for this grant will be forthcoming. The Board requested that other potential grant requests for Madison be identified at the next Board Meeting.
- An animal census will be performed in Madison this summer. Interns are being interviewed for to perform this census over the summer. Plans are being discussed for informing the public of the need to register their dog or cat.
- Madison Electric Dept. is having a scheduled maintenance planned for May 8<sup>th</sup> and a number of commercial customers will not have power for approx.. 4 hours. The health dept. will be ensuring that food safety is maintained during this power outage.
- BP screenings are ongoing and a health education program at Rexford Tucker and a STD webinar was held.
- One case of COVID was recorded at a long term facility in Madison.
- Vaccination audits in Madison schools are almost done. Vaccination rates are usually very high in Madison. COVID test kits were made available to students as well.
- The Biden Administration announced plans to end the COVID-19 national emergency declaration in May 2023. A review of the impact of the end of the national COVID emergency declaration on Madison activities was also requested for the June Board Meeting.

**RESOLUTION:**

**BH 2023-4** Appointment of Interim Health Officer Maya Lordo

On a motion by Marianne McConnell, seconded by Ms.Sledge, the board unanimously approved Resolution BH 2023-4, appointing Maya Lordo as the Madison Health Officer.

**ORDINANCES FOR HEARING:** No ordinances were scheduled for hearing.

**INVITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:**

The public comment period was opened at 8:03 pm. Seeing no members of the public wishing to be heard, Dr. Balwierzak closed the public comment period.

**BILLS PAYABLE:** No Bills Payable

**EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The Board, on a motion by Mr. McCarthy and seconded by Ms. Sledge, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Balwierzak