

# LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD

## MINUTES

October 3, 2018

6:00 P.M.

Managers Conference Room

- Present:** Darlene Hanley, Dr. Anthony Brickman, Leo Brummel, Maureen Adams  
Mary Baird, Chairperson, Carol Chamberlain, Health Officer.
- Absent:** Camila Pena, Rabiah Asif, Cathleen Lewis, Council Liaison
- Guest:** Morgan Pesianelli, Rutgers University Graduate Student
- Agenda:** Darlene Hanley motioned to approve the agenda. Maureen Adams seconded the motion.  
The agenda was approved.
- Minutes:** The minutes of the June 14, 2018 meeting were reviewed. Darlene Hanley  
offered a motion to approve the minutes. Maureen Adams seconded the motion.  
The minutes were approved.

### OLD BUSINESS:

#### Greater Mercer Public Health Partnership (GMPHP)

Darlene Hanley explained the Community Needs Assessment has been completed and the consultants have analyzed the data and presented it to the Community Advisory Board (CAB) in August. Next, the CAB will be meeting to determine the priorities for the Community Health Improvement Plan. The CAB meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 15 at St. Lawrence Rehabilitation Center. An initial review of the data was completed and the overarching priority for the CHIP will be “Healthy Living and Healthy Lifestyle.” There will be four subgroups, based on age, to work toward one or two goals of health living. It is anticipated the Community Health Improvement Plan will be completed by the end of 2018.

#### Public Health Preparedness Update

Carol Chamberlain reported the health department staff is currently working with the county public health nurse to recruit fixed facility locations in the community. Recently one large business in the community signed an agreement with the county to be a fixed facility. There are currently discussions with a local school to have sign-up as a fixed facility.

The public health nurse continues to update contacts for emergency notifications and emergency services. There are several lists of emergency notifications as well as resources to be contacted in the event of an emergency and these contact numbers need to be updated on a regular basis.

Two of the staff, the Registered Environmental Health Specialists will be attending training on weapons of mass destruction and public health response. The training will be held at the Mercer County Fire Training School.

Residential Waste Disposal – The Township Council adopted an ordinance revising the residential waste regulations. This ordinance concerns yard waste, grass disposal and other household waste disposal. The revisions include the requirement for registration of landscapers who work in Lawrence Township. The registration will assist in making certain landscapers working in Lawrence are aware of the disposal

regulations. The goal is to have better compliance with the requirements for yard waste disposal as well as other residential of trash removal. The ordinance will be effective November 24, 2018. Carol Chamberlain will email a copy of the ordinance to the members of the Board.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Community Day- The date for Community Day is Sunday, October 7, 2018. The event will be located at Village Park. The health department will be there with information about flu prevention and breast cancer awareness information.

**PRESENTATION:**

Morgan Pesanelli who is a graduate student at Rutgers University provided an overview of her fieldwork project she will be completing in Lawrence Township in conjunction with the health department.

**NEXT MEETING:**

The next meeting is to be scheduled for Wednesday, November 28th at 6:00 pm.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by Dr. Brickman to adjourn the meeting. Maureen Adams seconded the motion. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Chamberlain  
Health Officer