

# BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING FEBRUARY 17, 2016

## MINUTES

7:30 PM

**PRESENT:** J. Golden  
P. Lubitz  
R. Phillips  
P. Mikes, Alt #1  
N. Marmorato, Alt #2

**ABSENT:** I. Kyd

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by D. Laudenschlager at 7:30 PM.

### NOTIFICATION

In order to ensure full public participation at this meeting, all members of this Board, and members of the public are requested to speak only when recognized by the Chair so that there is no simultaneous discussion or over-talk, and further, all persons are requested to utilize the microphones which are provided for your use by the Township. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Notification of the time, date and place of this meeting has been published in the Hunterdon County Democrat and Courier News, and has been posted in the Kingwood Township Municipal Building at least 48 hours prior to this meeting and has been filed with the Municipal Clerk.

### NEW AND PENDING MATTERS

J. Golden was nominated as Chairperson for 2016 by R. Phillips, seconded by P. Lubitz.

It was moved by P. Lubitz, seconded by R. Phillips and carried to close the nomination. All members present voted **AYE** on **ROLL CALL VOTE**.

R. Phillips was nominated as Vice-Chairperson for 2016 by N. Marmorato, seconded by P. Lubitz,

It was moved by P. Mikes, seconded by P. Lubitz and carried to close the nomination. All members present voted **AYE** on **ROLL CALL VOTE**.

It was moved by P. Mikes, seconded by N. Marmorato to appoint Lavery, Selvaggi, Abromitis & Cohen, Katrina L. Campbell, as attorney for 2016. All members present voted **AYE** on **ROLL CALL VOTE**.

It was moved by P. Lubitz, seconded by P. Mikes and carried to approve the meeting dates of

March 16, 2016  
April 20, 2016  
May 18, 2016  
June 15, 2016  
July 20, 2016

August 17, 2016  
September 21, 2016  
October 19, 2016  
November 16, 2016  
December 21, 2016

for the regular meetings of the Board of Health for 2016. All members present voted **AYE** on **ROLL CALL VOTE**.

It was moved by P. Mikes, seconded by R. Phillips and carried to designate the Hunterdon County Democrat as the official newspaper, with the Courier News as alternate, of the Kingwood Township Board of Health. All members present voted **AYE** on **ROLL CALL VOTE**.

### **2016 Budget Request**

After a brief discussion, it was moved by P. Mikes, seconded by R. Phillips and carried to request \$5,000 for the 2016 budget for other expenses for the Board of Health. All members present voted **AYE** on **ROLL CALL VOTE**.

### **Approval of Minutes**

It was moved by P. Mikes, seconded by R. Phillips and carried to approve the minutes of November 18, 2015 and place on file. All members present voted **AYE** on **ROLL CALL VOTE**, except J. Golden and P. Lubitz, who **ABSTAINED**.

It was moved by N. Marmorato, seconded by J. Golden and carried to approve the minutes of January 27, 2016 and place on file. All members present voted **AYE** on **ROLL CALL VOTE**, except P. Lubitz, R. Phillips and P. Mikes, who **ABSTAINED**.

### **Memo from Environmental Commission – Sustainable Aquaculture**

The Board reviewed the memo from the Environmental Commission on Sustainable Aquaculture.

P. Lubitz stated a project is being planned in Franklin Township on the border of Kingwood Township. The property is located at the corner of Pittstown Road and Route 12. Only a sliver of land on the project is located in Kingwood Township. The project being planned is a fish farm. The concerns of the Environmental Commission are the drawdown and discharge of the water being utilized in the operation. The application will have to come before the Kingwood Planning Board for the sliver of land located in Kingwood. He stated the applicant is proposing to treat the water prior to its discharge into the Wickecheoke Creek. It will affect Kingwood's Scenic Overlay plans. The Township will only be able to consider the application and how it impacts the sliver of land in Kingwood. They will not be able to consider any of the improvements located in Franklin Township.

The Board briefly expressed their concerns about the withdrawal and discharge of the water.

### **Draft Fracking Ordinance**

P. Lubitz stated the Environmental Commission conducted a presentation before the Township Committee on the effects of fracking. The Environmental Commission has done a very thorough study. There is a gas deposit under Kingwood. It is not supposed to be as extensive as the ones in Pennsylvania but enough to raise some concern for the Township. The Environmental Commission presented the Township Committee with a sample ordinance that Princeton adopted. The Township has made some changes to it and the Township Committee is in support of its adoption. Kingwood has sent requests to other surrounding townships about them joining and passing a similar ordinance. Mayor Haywood went to Alexandria Township's committee meeting and

requested they adopt a similar ordinance. Having the ordinance in place may just make it easier for the gas company to go to another township that does not have an ordinance.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

**ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by P. Mikes, seconded by N. Marmorato and carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM. All members present voted **AYE**.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Diane Laudenschach, Secretary**