

**DOVER BOARD OF HEALTH**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**October 21, 2024 5:00 pm**

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER / SUNSHINE STATEMENT**

President Darlene Kasko called the meeting to order and stated the rescheduled meeting was being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, also known as the Sunshine Law, and duly posted and advertised.

Board Secretary Ary Orama-Galloza called the **ROLL**.

Name	Present	Absent	Excused
<b>Darlene Kasko, President</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Rosita Scinto, V.P.</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Rhoda Myles</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Janice Anthony</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Irene Hansen</b>		<b>X</b>	
<b>Alessandra Scarneo, Alternate</b>		<b>X</b>	

**ALSO PRESENT**

<b>Ary Orama Galloza, Board Sec'y/Registrar</b>

President Kasko entertained a motion to accept the minutes from the June 10, 2024, regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Health.

**A motion to accept the minutes from the June 10, 2024, regularly scheduled meeting was made by Janice Anthony and duly seconded by Rosita Scinto.**

**Board Secretary Ary Orama-Galloza conducted a ROLL CALL VOTE**

Name	Motion	Second	Ayes	Noes	Abstain
<b>Darlene Kasko, President</b>			<b>X</b>		
<b>Rosita Scinto, V.P.</b>		<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Rhoda Myles</b>			<b>X</b>		
<b>Janice Anthony</b>	<b>X</b>		<b>X</b>		
<b>Irene Hansen</b>					
<b>Alessandra Scarneo, Alternate</b>					

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

No correspondence.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Ary Orama Galloza, Board Sec'y, proceeded to provide the Board a summary of the following **OLD** business:

- The health department staff attended the annual Senior Picnic at Water Works Park on September 12<sup>th</sup>. The health department provided give-a-ways, vaccine information, and Covid Test Kits.
- Catholic Charities Hope House conducted a Free Covid Vaccination clinic on October 9<sup>th</sup>. The Health Department provided Covid Test Kits for attendees.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Ary Orama Galloza, Board Sec'y, proceeded to provide the Board a summary of the following **NEW** business:

- Regarding **HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFFING**:
  - The department has a new Health Officer. The Health Officer is Marconi Gapas, and is from the Township of Union. Mr. Gapas has been the covering Dover since last Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup>.
  - The health department's Public Health Nursing position has been filled. The Public Health Nurse is Claudia Choto. Ms. Choto is bilingual and has worked for the Town of Dover previously(7 or 8 years ago) as a Public Health Nurse. Ms. Choto will be working three (3) days per week.
- Renovations for the health department went out for bid.
- Dover's MC Organization for Hispanic Affairs will be conducting a "Community Baby Shower" event on Sunday, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm at Casa Puerto Rico, 50 W. Blackwell Street. The program is free and open to all pregnant women/families and parents of young infants. There will be food, free gifts and health information at the program.
- The health department will conduct an "Annual Rabies Vaccination Clinic" on Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am to 12:00 noon. Unlike previous years, this will be the first time the rabies clinic will be held at the: **DPW Garage, 211 N Sussex Street.**

**THE MEETING WAS OPENED TO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD**

Rhoda Myles asked about the new Health Officer and expressed her interest in having him attend the next Board of Health meeting.

The board proceeded with a general discussion on the subject of massage parlors and concluded that at its next meeting:

- A resolution be made by the Board of Health to the Mayor & Council recommending the Massage Parlor Ordinance be amended with an updated fee schedule.
- And, strengthening the language of the ordinance to enhance & reinforce local enforcement of the law.

**THE MEETING WAS OPENED TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND/OR OTHER ATTENDEES PRESENT**

No members of the general public were present.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Rhoda Myles and duly seconded by Rosita Scinto.

Board Secretary Ary Orama-Galloza conducted a ROLL CALL VOTE

Name	Motion	Second	Ayes	Noes	Abstain
Darlene Kasko			X		
Rosita Scinto		X	X		
Rhoda Myles	X		X		
Janice Anthony			X		
Irene Hansen					
Alessandra Scarneo, Alternate					

**MEETING ADJOURNED  
6:55 pm**