

Middle-Brook Regional Health Commission
Special Meeting Minutes
March 16, 2020

1. Call to Order

A special meeting of the Middle-Brook Regional Health Commission was held on the above date at Green Brook Town Hall and by teleconference and was called to order by President G. Riley by reading the Sunshine Law Statement at 7:00pm.

2. Roll Call

Green Brook: Dr. Jon Fourre (in person), Ms. Jean Mazet (in person), Mr. Bob Longo (in person)

South Bound Brook: Ms. Kathy Bolmer (by phone)

Warren: Mr. Greg Riley (in person), Ms. Laura Burger (by phone), Mr. Malcom Plager (by phone)

Watchung: Ms. Fran Ellis (by phone), Ms. Julia Gunther (in person)

Others in attendance: Mr. Kevin Sumner, Health Officer

3. New Business

Members were informed that on March 11, 2020 G. Riley and K. Sumner met with representatives from the Township of Bridgewater regarding the Commission providing Health Services. As of March 12, 2020 Bridgewater entered into an agreement with the Commission for the provision of only Health Officer services for 30 days. This agreement lets Bridgewater meet their state requirements and provides time for both the Commission and Bridgewater to evaluate proceeding with a contract for services for the balance of the year. Bridgewater also expressed interest in then potentially joining the Commission beginning in 2021.

4. Old Business

Coronavirus- Discussion

Members discussed the progression of the spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) and potential actions to control the spread. K. Sumner provided an overview of cases to date and steps to investigating cases and contacts. It was noted that an increase in cases is expected and that the most effective tools to control the spread are the traditional public health interventions of social distancing, quarantine, and isolation. Members agreed that they may need to meet and discuss more frequently and that vigilance will be important.

5. Public Portion

Meeting opened to the public. No public present.

There being no further business Mr. Malcom Plager made a motion to adjourn. Vote: All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Kevin G. Sumner, Executive Secretary