Board of Health of the Borough of Allendale Regular Meeting Minutes March 4, 2021

PRESENT: Board President Nadine Benoit and Board Members Heidi Askin, Maria Crean, Robin Iversen, Christopher Martin, Linda Morgan, and Susan Toron (via teleconference)

ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT: Director of Communications John Gil (*via teleconference*) Borough Sanitarian Kristin Caperino (*via teleconference*)

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Health of the Borough of Allendale was held on March 4, 2021. However, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, access to the public was provided via GoToMeeting teleconferencing only, with adequate notice of same posted for public viewing. The meeting was called to order at 8:01 p.m. by President Benoit who reminded the public to mute their devices so as not to distract from the business at hand. President Benoit confirmed that the open public meeting requirements had been satisfied.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Board Member Crean, second by Board Member Martin, with no objections and all members present in favor, that the Minutes of February 4, 2020, Regular Meeting be approved.

Secretary/Registrar Report:

Mr. Gil reported that due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the Adult and Child Health Clinics have been suspended until further notice. The Vital Statistics Monthly Report was received from Northwest Bergen Regional Health Commission for November with two (2) marriage certificates having been issued for a total of \$20.00 to the Borough.

Communications/Correspondence:

None

Health Officer/Sanitarian Reports:

Borough Sanitarian Kristin Caperino gave an overview of the February Sanitation Reports. President Benoit followed up with some clarifications to the report and discussed the expansion of inside dining.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

President Benoit discussed a lecture she recently viewed from The Jed Foundation entitled Parenting During COVID-19

President's Report:

President Benoit reported on the recent Allendale OEM meetings that are held weekly. She then gave an overview of the latest statistics related to COVID-19. The Board then discussed the latest in the COVID-19 vaccine rollout with the benefits of the J&J vaccine expanding supply. Board Member Iverson discussed how vaccines work with regards to the spread of COVID-19 and then gave some tips that she heard on registering on various vaccine registration sites. Next, President Benoit discussed an article on how the flu season is virtually nonexistent this year. The Board then discussed the expansion of eligibility, sites to receive the vaccine, and questions regarding exposure once vaccinated.

Public Comment:

No member of the public came forward.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the Board of Health, on a motion by Board Member Crean with second by Board Member Iverson, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

John Gil Director of Communications