

**BOARD OF HEALTH
MINUTES
February 13, 2019**

This meeting was advertised in the Hunterdon County Democrat, notice posted in the Alexandria Township Municipal Office, and the Alexandria Township website (www.alexandrianj.gov) as required by the Open Public Meetings Act.

Meeting Called to Order at 7:33 PM.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Chair Pfefferle, Comm. Kiernan, Mayor Garay, Twp. Attorney Dragan

ABESENT: None

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

Pending Matters:

- Hunterdon Humane Shelter Updates
No Update
- 2nd Suspected Hazardous Substance Discharge Notification
DeSapio Property
Route 619 Update
No Update

NEW BUSINESS:

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- January 9, 2019 BOH Meeting
Mayor Garay made a motion, seconded by Comm. Kiernan to approve the above Board of Health Meeting Minutes.

Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Pfefferle, Kiernan

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried

CORRESPONDENCE / ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The Alexandria Township Free Rabies Clinic was held on Saturday, January 26, 2019. A total of 107 vaccines were administered. Of those administered, 70 were for dogs and 37 were for cats.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:

Nina Van Dyne questioned when the shelter communicates with the Township under what name is used? Is it the Hunterdon Humane Shelter, the SPCA, etc? Fire Marshall Giannone was present and noted that he just did a fire inspection at the shelter last week and that they are referring to themselves as Hunterdon Humane. Ms. Van Dyne read the following statement and asked that it be reflected in the minutes:

Announcement of the Hunterdon County Animal Shelter Committee

Our Petition has gathered 3,600 on-line and hard copy signatures. We are gratified by the Community's support and pledge we are here to stay? The name of our organization is the Hunterdon County Animal Shelter Committee (HCASC). We exist to benefit the animals who are or will be sheltered at 576 Stamets Rd in Alexandria. This animal shelter is known as the Hunterdon Humane Animal Shelter (HHAS) but is also called the SPCA. Our organization was formed to be, not only a voice for the animals, but an organization encouraging community support and providing expertise in the best interest of the shelter animals.

Our mission is to assure that HHAS is completely compliant with State and County laws and regulations and that the HHAS Board maintains a policy of transparency and accountability to the public. We pledge to remain committed, organized, and energized to insure the HHAS Board of Directors provides state of the art best practices for animal care, hire extremely qualified animal care givers, provide prompt veterinary care for all animals, provide socialization programs for the animals, encourage volunteer participation, establish foster programs, work with animal rescues, establish animal behavior programs, and proactively advertise the shelter and the animals.

We developed a web site to keep the public informed about the shelter activities, the shelter board's decisions, and Hunterdon County official's response to the community's demands. The signers of this petition are informing Hunterdon County officials and the HHAS Board that this is a very important issue to the public. The public is encouraged to communicate with us via email and our new website: hunterdonwantstoknow@yahoo.com. The website is <https://www.hcasc.org/>.

We see the Alexandria Board of Health as sharing many of our goals, especially the health and well-being of the shelter animals. We hope that you will look at us as an ally who will gladly help you achieve that goal.

Chair Pfefferle recommended that the organization reach out to the Prosecutor's office as well.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mayor Garay made a motion, seconded by Comm. Kiernan to adjourn.

Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Kiernan, Pfefferle

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried

Meeting Adjourned at 7:43 PM.

Michele Bobrowski, Board Secretary