

**READINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF HEALTH**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**December 18, 2024, 7:00 PM**

Chair Colburn called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and announced that all laws governing the Open Public Meetings Act have been met and that this meeting has been duly advertised.

**A. SALUTE TO THE FLAG:**

**B. ROLL CALL:**

Jodi Bettermann	Present	Theresa Brown Biondo	Present	Chair Colburn	Present
John Kalinich	Present	Karen Mittleman	Absent	David Olsen	Present
Helen Pollack	Present	Wendy Sheay	Absent		

**C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

1. BOH Meeting Minutes of 10/16/2024:  
 A motion was made by Mr. David Olsen to approve the minutes and seconded by Ms. Theresa Brown Biondo. All in favor.
  
2. BOH Meeting Minutes of 11/20/2024:  
 A motion was made by Mr. David Olsen to approve the minutes and seconded by Ms. Theresa Brown Biondo. All in favor.

**D. APPROVALS - ALTERATION/NO EXPANSION:**

1. Block /Lot 32 – Kurt Hoffmann Engineering – 4 Chamberlain Road.  
*Time heard 7:06 p.m.*

Kurt Hoffmann, a licensed engineer in the State of New Jersey introduced himself and discussed the application. Mr. Hoffmann was hired by the previous owners, also the applicants, who during the sale of their home discovered the laterals ran under the pool and failed inspection. The property passed all soil testing requirements. The current owners are installing a new system. Mr. Hoffmann has provided the current owners with all deed requirement information.

Chair Colburn asked if there were any additional questions or discussion; there was no response.

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. David Olsen

**Block / Lot:** 52/13.03  
**Street Location:** 4 Chamberlain Road  
**Number Bedrooms:** 4 bedrooms  
**Map Title:** Septic Design for Block 52 Lot 13.03 Readington Township, Hunterdon County, NJ  
**Number Sheets:** 6  
**Map Date(s):** 11/13/2024  
**Prepared By:** Kurt Hoffman of KH Engineering  
**Survey:** Location Survey For: Gerald Neumann, Joan Neumann Location: 4 Chamberlain Road Readington Township Hunterdon County, New Jersey Prepared by Ronald L. Haffling P.L.S. dated 10/6/95  
**Reports:** Wetlands Investigation report by Jeff Tareila Environmental Consulting dated 11/19/2024; Soil Log Report prepared by Ron Sweitzer of Van Cleef Engineering dated 11/6/2024 & 11/7/2024; Hunterdon County Health Department letter prepared by Robert Vaccarella dated 12/4/2024  
**Proposed System:** Alteration/no expansion 1300 gal. two compartment tank with a 6inch effluent filter feeding to a pump tank gravity dosing a mounded soil replacement field of 1050 sf.

The motion was seconded by Mr. John Kalinich. On roll call vote, the following was recorded:

Jodi Bettermann	Aye	Theresa Brown Biondo	Aye	Chair Colburn	Aye
John Kalinich	Aye	Karen Mittleman	Absent	David Olsen	Aye
Helen Pollack	Aye	Wendy Sheay	Absent		

**E. APPROVALS - EXPANSION/NEW CONSTRUCTION:**

None.

**F. CORRESPONDENCE:**

F.1 USDA Letter Response

F.2 Rabies Public Health Alert for a Positive Skunk

F.3 Public Health Info: Information and Survey on the NJDOH K-12 Tickborne Disease Education Toolkit

F.4 Public Health Advisory: Information on NJ Wildfires and Air Quality

F.5 Public Health Advisory: Food Recalls: Grimmway Farms Recalls Organic Whole and Select Organic Baby Carrots That May Be in Consumers’ Homes Due to Potential E. coli Contamination

F.6 Public Health Advisory: CDC Health Advisory: First Case of Clade I Mpox Diagnosed in the United States

F.7 Public Health Recall: Recall of Super Cinnamon Powder 4oz Because of Lead Contamination

F.8 Public Health Recall: Food Recalls

F.9 Public Health Alert: Increase in suspected medetomidine exposure in New Jersey

F.10 Public Health Info: Respiratory Illness Surveillance Report for week ending 11-30-24

F.11 Public Health Info: New Jersey DOH Vector-borne surveillance report, week 46

F.12 Septic Information

*Members discussed the response from the USDA and are interested in scheduling a meeting. Members discussed the rabies incident and requested an investigation into the Animal Control reporting and information. Members discussed the septic information provided and the interest of licensing homeowners every 3 years in septic maintenance, a homeowner septic survey to residents, and deed restriction information and the process.*

**G. EMPLOYEE REPORTS**

G.1 2025 Board of Health Reorganizational Meeting preparation:

The secretary listed items of business to be addressed at the January meeting and asked members for comments.

**H. COMMUNICATION PLAN**

H.1 Newspaper Article: Septic Information:

Members discussed submitting an article to the newspaper on septic maintenance.

H.2 Annual Free Rabies Clinic:

Members discussed the date and preliminary details of the rabies clinic taking place on Saturday January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at the DPW garage from 10 AM to 12 PM. Preregistration is available online.

**H.3 Readington Quarterly Newsletter: BOH article due 1/15/2025:**

Members discussed and reviewed options for the Readington Quarterly Newsletter submission on the Board of Health.

**I. REPORTS OF STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEE(S)**

Jodi Bettermann discussed the proposed standing committees for 2025 including the Green Committee to assist with Sustainable Jersey during the recertification year.

**J. OLD BUSINESS**

**J.1 Block 14 Lot 1 - 33 Island Road:**

Members reviewed the most recent as built. Hunterdon County Health Department will be reviewing the full application.

**J.2 Food Truck Ordinance:**

Additionally, under old business, members discussed the food truck ordinance and possible amendments that would benefit both the municipality and the applicants and vendors. Further discussion and research will be done.

**K. NEW BUSINESS**

**K.1 Proposed Meeting Dates for 2025 for Review:**

Members reviewed a draft of 2025 meeting dates for the third Wednesday of each month except for weeks that conflict with holidays and other public meetings.

**L. COMMENTS**

**M. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Ms. Theresa Brown Biondo to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m., seconded by Mr. Dave Olsen, with a vote of Ayes all, Nays none recorded.

Respectfully submitted:

Danielle Monaghan, Board of Health Secretary

