# RE-ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE BLOOMFIELD BOARD OF HEALTH FEBRUARY 24, 2022

A Regular Meeting of the Bloomfield Board of Health, as established by public record in *The Independent Press* and posted on the Public Bulletin Board in the Municipal Building, was called to order on February 24, 2022 at 5:35 p.m. via video conference.

### **ROLL CALL**

Asst. Health Officer Perramant showed the following members to be present:

Dr. Ruchi Mehta, Member Denise Serbay, Member Sarah Bonilla, Member (VACANT) (VACANT)

Council Liaison (VACANT)

Present (video conference) Present (video conference)

Absent

Also present: Karen Lore, Director of Health & Welfare, Michael Fitzpatrick, Health Officer, Amy Monaco, Asst. Health Officer (video conference), and Sarah Perramant. Asst. Health Officer.

## **ELECTIONS OF BOARD OFFICERS/OFFICIALS**

## **Election of Board President**

A motion by BM Mehta, seconded by BM Serbay, to nominate Dr. Ruchi Mehta for President.

After hearing no other nominations, nominations were closed for office of the President.

All were in favor, none were opposed. Dr. Ruchi Mehta was unanimously elected President for the remainder of the 2022 year.

Nomination and Election of Officers – President Mehta presiding.

#### Election of Board Vice President

A motion by Pres. Mehta, seconded by BM Serbay, to nominate Denise Serbay for President.

After hearing no other nominations, nominations were closed for office of the Vice President.

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All were in favor, none were opposed. Denise Serbay was unanimously elected Vice President for the remainder of the 2022 year.

## Election of Secretary

A motion by President Mehta, seconded by VP Serbay, to nominate Amy Monaco as Secretary.

After hearing no other nominations, nominations were closed for Secretary.

All were in favor, none were opposed. Amy Monaco was unanimously elected as Secretary to the Board for the remainder of the 2022 year.

## Standing Committee Appointments by the President of the Board

#### FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE

Pres. Mehta appointed VP Serbay and herself to the Committee.

## RESOLUTION #16-2022 – RESOLUTION FOR BOARD OF HEALTH LEGAL COUNSEL

The Board, on a motion by Pres. Mehta, seconded by VP Serbay, opened discussion on this matter.

After discussion, the Board unanimously voted on the following Resolution:

#### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT FOR LEGAL COUNSEL

WHEREAS, the Board of Health of the Township of Bloomfield requires an attorney to serve as legal counsel and advice to the Board of Health for calendar year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Health's Director of Health & Human Services has determined that the value of the services may exceed \$17,500; and

WHEREAS, Randy Pearce, Esq., has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies Randy Pearce, Esq., has not made any reportable contributions to any political committee or candidate in the Township of Bloomfield and/or any Board of Health member in the previous year of this contract, and that this contract will prohibit Randy Pearce, Esq. it agents and/or employees from making any reportable contributions during the term of the contract;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the President and Members of the Board of Health of the Township of Bloomfield authorizes the President of the Board of Health to enter into a contract with Randy Pearce, Esq., as described herein; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this resolution and the contract itself shall be available for public inspection at the office of the Board of Health's Director of Health & Human Services during regular business hours; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a notice of this action shall be printed once in the Independent Press.

## RESOLUTION #16-2022 - DESIGNATING 2022 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE (AMENDED)

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The Board, on a motion by Pres. Mehta, seconded by VP Serbay, opened discussion on this matter.

After discussion, the Board unanimously voted on the following Resolution:

#### RESOLUTION - DESIGNATING 2022 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

WHEREAS, the Board of Health of the Township of Bloomfield must establish a holiday schedule for non-contractual/non-unionized employees of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Health is an independent and autonomous entity and because the Board must maintain the health safety and welfare of the residents of the town of Bloomfield; and

**WHEREAS,** the Board of Health's full time rank-and-file employees are currently subject to a scope petition concerning union representation before the State of New Jersey Public Employment Relations Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Health has offices in the Township of Bloomfield's Municipal Building; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board believes it is in its best interest for efficiency to maintain a similar holiday schedule as the Township of Bloomfield.

WHEREAS, the Board, at its December 9, 2021 had established said schedule for the 2022 year:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Health of the Township of Bloomfield, New Jersey, does hereby amend its previously approved 2022 Holiday Schedule for non-contractual/non-unionized employees of the Board as follows:

#### **2022 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

New Year's Day
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
President's Day
Good Friday
Memorial Day
Juneteenth Day
Independence Day
Labor Day
Columbus Day
Veterans' Day
Thanksgiving Day
Day after Thanksgiving
Christmas Day

Friday, December 31st (Observed) Monday, January 17th Monday, February 21st Friday, April 15th Monday, May 30st Monday, June 20th (Observed)

Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup>
Monday, September 5<sup>th</sup>
Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup>
Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup>
Thursday, November 25<sup>th</sup>
Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup>

Monday, December 26th (Observed)

Taken at the discretion of employee and approved

by their Department Head

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The Board, on a motion by Pres. Mehta, seconded by VP Serbay, unanimously voted to adjourn the February 24, 2022 Re-Organizational Meeting of the Board of Health of the Township of Bloomfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey at 5:44p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Floating Holiday** 

Amy Monaco, Assistant Health Officer Secretary to the Board