

**Health Commission Meeting
City of Stamford
DRAFT MINUTES
January 10. 2019**

Commissioners Attendance September 2017 - June 2018:

Present:

Dr. Barbara Decker (6-2)

Dr. Thomas Getreuer (7-0)

Ms. Patricia Parry (7-1)

Absent:

Dr. Peggy Cobb (4-4)

Dr. Roslyn Burton-Robertson (4-4)

Guest Attendance: Mr. Ted Jankowski, Director of Public Safety, Health & Welfare, Dr. Jennifer Calder, Director of Health, Michael Toma, General Counsel, and Ms. Deborah Clark, Recording Secretary

Meeting called to order		Dr. Getreuer called the meeting to order at 9:22 am.
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Minutes:

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Minutes of December 13, 2018	December 13, 2018, meeting minutes were reviewed.	Approved unanimously.
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Director of Health Report:

Dr. Jennifer Calder	Dr. Calder updated on the following issues:	
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	<p>Email from Dr. Parry re: 56 cases of flu last week in Stamford Hospital. 33 cases of RSV. Most flu cases were A, six patients were over 65 years of age. Dr. Parry suspects cases were mostly H1 and occurring in younger individuals. Dr. Calder is awaiting reply from Dr. Parry as to whether or not patients were vaccinated, and curious to know in what population is the RSV strain occurring in.</p> <p>Met with Downtown Special Services District on Nov. 6, 2018. Had a number of requests through Sandy Goldstein: Among their concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Inspectors not being polite and respectful during inspections.- Requested food inspections to be conducted at certain times. State DPH advised that in order to get a proper concise evaluation, the inspection should occur primarily during peak rush hours at lunch time and dinner time. Health Director is willing to work with restauranteurs on a case by case basis, but did not agree for inspections to be conducted at a specific time.- Want their failed rating to be posted to the web page	<p>Dr. Getreuer: So the is the Health dept. posting</p>
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only after the mandatory second inspection. Some felt this affected their business. Director is willing to put a pending notice until after the mandatory second inspection. However, if they fail the mandatory second inspection, it'll be posted. Informed the group that

them?

Dr. Calder: Yes. Prior to my arrival here all ratings were posted on the web.

Dr. Getreuer: And they get posted immediately?

Dr. Calder: Yes.

Dr. Cobb: So where is it posted?

Dr. Calder: On the website.

Dr. Cobb: Right, but for?

Dr. Calder: Under the Health Department.

Dr. Cobb: Under the part that does the health inspections?

Dr. Calder: I have no clue where on the website. I'm being honest, our web page is not the most user friendly webpage. One of the things I've been trying to work since I've been here. I was told that there is a Citywide initiative to look at the entire City web page. We have a webpage task force. Now we're working with IT. We're somewhat attached to that.

- State is implementing the new FDA food code, and

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	<p>that is going to affect the ratings as well as our activities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Want Health Department to communicate on important safety updates to members. State DPH stated it is not the local DPH's responsibility. Each restaurant is required to have a qualified food operator, or a delegate to ensure that the establishment is compliant with all laws. And it their responsibility to know when the law changes. Not knowing when laws have changed does relieve this person from their responsibility. However, Dr. Calder felt that if the Health Department is aware of something that it should be shared with the group. - Requested additional classes especially for the qualified food operator. - Had a meeting with Josie Carpanazo regarding analyzing data from food database inspection codes. Also, no method to track outstanding orders. It is the responsibility of the inspectors to follow up on them. Dr. Calder wants to set up weekly meetings with Josie. - Still have a lot of vacant positions that we're still trying to fill. There have been revisions to some 	<p>Dr. Getreuer: And how would you do that?</p> <p>Dr. Calder: In past, we did it by mail.</p> <p>Dr. Getreuer: To whom? To each restaurant?</p> <p>Dr. Calder: Uh-huh.</p> <p>Dr. Gertreuer: Isn't that a lot.</p> <p>Dr. Calder: Around 600 registered restaurants.</p>
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position descriptions.

- Budget period. We're into that.

All day workshop Connecting with Respect.

HR had a half day of customer service training for all city employees.

- Laboratory:
- Nursing:
- Public Health Education:
- Emergency Preparedness:
- General Department Issues:

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Director of Public Safety, Health & Welfare Report:

Mr. Ted Jankowski		
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Old Business:

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New Business:

Next Steps in Accreditation		
Lead poisoning		

Appeal:

There were no appeals		
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Adjournment:

There being no further business before the regular session of the Health Commission, Dr. Getreuer moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:43 a.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Submitted by,