

Minutes of the Board of Health Meeting of the Township of Woodbridge, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey held on April 5, 2022 at 7:30 P.M. at the Municipal Building, 1 Main Street, Woodbridge, NJ 07095.

Notice Requirements of the Open Public Meetings Law have been satisfied concerning this meeting. The Home News Tribune and The Star Ledger published the Annual Notice Schedule on December 10, 2021. A copy of the Schedule was posted on the Municipal bulletin board. It should be so noted in the minutes of this meeting.

The Municipal Clerk took the Municipal Council attendance.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Howie Bauer, Gregg Ficarra, Cory Spillar, Kyle Anderson, Debbie Meehan, Lizbeth DeJesus, Sharon McAuliffe, Viru Patel

MEMBERS ABSENT: Brian Small

ALSO PRESENT: Vito Cimilluca, Business Administrator
John Mitch, Municipal Clerk
Marta Darden, Director of Planning and Development
Robert Hubner, Director of Police
George Brew, Director of Public Works
Dennis Green, Director of Department of Health & Human
Services
Casey Wagner, Assistant Business Administrator
Craig J. Coughlin, Esq.
Fred Rubenstein, Esq.

Council President Bauer: Thank you. Director Green.
Director Green: Thank Council President.

Most of my Agenda is in order I would just like to give a quick COVID update. We continue to track COVID-19 cases in the community. Currently we have 24,919 total cases, 23,652 are community cases and there were 265 community deaths. Our three day moving average of cases now stands at 11 and that's down pretty good from last month. But we still obviously have COVID circulating in the community. To that end, we've been holding COVID-19 vaccine clinics, as you are aware, with 130 clinics to date. There have been 16,321 vaccines administered, of that 4,234 have been booster doses. First and now second booster doses. We've held clinics almost every week since over a year ago. March 31st last week was our last adult clinic and that was a total of 84 doses administered this week. Today we have a clinic for kids ages 5-11 and on Thursday we have our next adult clinic and that is for ages 12 and up. We continue to offer several separate clinics for children ages 5-11 and for persons ages 12 and up. Pfizer vaccine is available for children in both the 5 -11 and 12 -17 age range. We offer Pfizer, J&J and Moderna for adults. COVID-19 vaccine booster shots third and fourth doses or first and second doses are available to all Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna vaccine recipients. Boosters are also available for people who have received J&J. Our current COVID immunization rates currently are ages 12 and up range for at least one dose at 96% of the community and 12 and up both doses 84% so we have a really good vaccination rate for the community. And currently 55% of our boosters for those eligible, have received the booster and that is up from 52% last month. Our immunization rates have been moving up gradually but we're pretty good in our immunization rates. Lastly, the FDA and CDC approved that second booster shot, as Councilman Ficarra noted, and the Woodbridge Health Department is offering those boosters at our clinics. If you would like a vaccine, please call the Woodbridge Health Department at 732-855-0600 x5004. Thank you.

Council President Bauer: Does anyone on Council have any questions regarding the Board of Health report? Director Green, thank you and your entire staff for all their hard work for this ongoing Pandemic. Thank you very much for all the information. Motion for adjournment.

On a motion made by Council Vice President Ficarra, seconded by Councilman Anderson and carried unanimously, Council President Bauer adjourned the meeting at 7:33 P.M.