

**Meeting of Montvale Board of Health
Conference Room #1
12 DePiero Drive, Montvale, NJ 07645
March 2, 2026 /Meeting Time: 7:00pm**

President Cohen called the meeting of the Board of Health to order. Adequate notice of the meeting was provided to *The Record* informing the public of the time and place, according to the Provisions of the Open Public Meeting Law (Chapter 231, P.L. 1975). The Sunshine Law is in effect. Meeting Open to the Public.

Roll Call Attendance (P= Present & A= Absent)

MEMBERS	Jan.	March	May	June	Sept.	Nov.	Dec.
Joyce Cohen	P	P					
Gail Clark	P	P					
Monica Danna	P	P					
Joyce Jacobson	P	P					
Joel Landzberg	P	P					
Patricia Lennon	P	P					

Non- Members: Council Liaison Cudequest (P) & Secretary K. Ciborowski (P)

Contracted Professionals:

N. Reddy, Northwest Bergen Regional Health Commission Health Officer (P)

Carol Tyler, Tyco Animal Control Services (A)

Meeting dates (meetings start at 7:00PM): January 5, March 2, May 4, June 1, September 14, November 2 & December 7. Attendance is important, if you are unable to attend, please email the Board's President & Secretary.

The meeting information was posted on the website & Sunshine Law is in effect. Meeting open to the public. President Cohen asked for motion to open meeting to the public. P. Lennon made the motion. J. Landzberg seconded the motion. All in favor.

President Cohen asked for a motion to approve the January 2026 minutes. M. Danna made a motion to approve the minutes and J. Jacobson seconded it. The minutes were approved on a roll call vote. The minutes will be posted on Borough website.

M. Danna reported on her interview with Montvale TV Access regarding the public health concerns associated with feeding wildlife. Kim Nagle of Tyco Animal Control participated in the interview. The segment will air on Montvale TV Access and be posted on the Borough website. The Board recommended that the interview link also be shared on the Board of Health webpage, included in the Borough's monthly newsletter, and distributed through the mayor's email communications. It was further suggested that the interview be shared with neighboring municipalities. N. Reddy stated she will post the interview on the Northwest Bergen Regional Health Commission website as an educational resource.

N. Reddy reviewed the February and March 2026 Northwest Bergen Regional Health Commission reports and advised that a notice of violation had been issued to Wegmans for

allowing non-service animals in the store, following multiple customer complaints. The matter was brought to court and subsequently dismissed by the judge. N. Reddy recommended that the Board consider adopting an ordinance prohibiting non-service animals in food establishments, with associated fines to strengthen enforcement. J. Landberg made a motion to invite a Wegmans representative to attend the next Board meeting to discuss the matter. The motion was seconded by J. Jacobson. All in favor.

President Cohen reported that Hackensack Meridian Health Community Outreach and Engagement (formerly HARP) had contacted the Borough regarding potential services. However, their availability is limited to one annual visit with no confirmed schedule or program details. President Cohen also reported that Valley Hospital has discontinued public health services due to nursing staff shortages. N. Reddy advised that the Northwest Bergen Regional Health Commission will address these needs by utilizing its own nursing staff for health screenings, school immunization audits, and communicable disease reporting, and by partnering with Holy Name Hospital to provide health education programs, flu clinics, and virtual classes.

President Cohen received plans from the Planning Board for both Trader Joes and Tim Hortons. She reviewed the plans and said she would keep the board informed of any updates.

President Cohen reminded the Board that the rabies clinic will be held on Saturday, November 7, 2026.

Reports:

NW Bergen Reg. Health Commission Report: N. Reddy read the January and February reports.

Registrar & Vital Statistics Report- M. Danna read the December 2025 and January 2026 reports.

Tyco Animal Control Report- M. Danna read the January report.

Child Health Conference Report- No report.

Council Liaison Report- No report

Adjournment

Meeting closed to the public. A motion to adjourn at 8:10PM was made by J. Landzberg, second by M. Danna. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.