

**CITY OF NORWALK
BOARD OF HEALTH
REGULAR MEETING**

MAY 26, 2026

ATTENDANCE: Kenneth Lalime, RPh; Frank Ehrlich, MD; Norman Weinberger, MD;
Anthony Santella, DrPH; Joan McNiel, DNP; Deanna D'Amore, Director of Health

OTHERS: Julienne Foy, Chief of Community Services; Aniella Fignon, Project Coordinator;

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:02 a.m. A quorum was present.

ROLL CALL

Members present as noted above.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes of the April 28, 2026 meeting.

A correction was requested to change references to Anthony Santella from "Mr. Santella" to "Dr. Santella."

DR. EHRLICH MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS AMENDED.

DR. WEINBERGER SECONDED.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

CHIEF OF COMMUNITY SERVICES INTRODUCTION

Julie Foy, Chief of Community Services, introduced herself to the Board and provided an overview of her professional background and community involvement. Board members introduced themselves and welcomed Ms. Foy to her role.

No action was taken.

PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT PROGRESS UPDATES

Aniella Fignon presented a quarterly performance management update. The presentation included highlights from administrative operations, community health, emergency preparedness, environmental health, epidemiology, preventable diseases, and the Office of the Director. Staff discussed performance measures, quality improvement initiatives, workforce development efforts, community outreach activities, inspection programs, and epidemiology staffing.

Board members discussed performance measurement methodology, quarterly reporting, and epidemiology program staffing.

No action was taken.

POLICY MANAGEMENT POLICY

The Director reported on discussions with the Mayor's Office and Community Services leadership regarding the distinction between Board-level policies and staff procedures.

The Board discussed revisions to the Policy Management Policy and supported clarifying the separation between policy oversight and administrative procedures.

DR. SANTELLA MOVED TO APPROVE THE REVISED POLICY MANAGEMENT POLICY.

DR. WEINBERGER SECONDED.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public were present.

Public participation was opened and closed.

REPORTS

Director's Report

The Director reported that the Health Department operating budget was approved with minor reductions to office supply funding.

Additional updates included:

Completion of an updated spending plan for the Workforce Development Grant.

Continued staff training and workforce development efforts.

Launch of the summer beach water quality monitoring program, including weekly monitoring of Norwalk beaches from Memorial Day through Labor Day.

No action was taken.

DISCUSSION

No additional discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION TO ADJOURN.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The meeting adjourned at 8:46 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jada Caballero