

Township of Lower Merion

HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL

Minutes

Monday, February 4, 2019

Chair: Hillary C.M. Nelson, PhD, MPH

Members: Christine Stallkamp, MD, FAAFP
Eddy Bresnitz, M.D.; M.S.
Louis Rossman, DMD
William Leopold, MSSA, MBA
Karen L. Anderson, RN, BSN, MS

Absent: Susan Nolte, CRNP, PhD

Staff: Thomas J. Walsh, Public Information Officer (excused)
Scott Houchins, Health/Zoning Inspector

- Chair Hillary Nelson called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.
- The December 3, 2018 meeting minutes were approved.
- In the wake of the HAC-authored new microblading ordinance that was passed by the Board of Commissioners in late 2018, Health Inspector Scott Houchins said he found three establishments in the Township that offer microblading services. The businesses have until January 1, 2020 to comply with the new regulations.
- Dr. Nelson said that it was time to concentrate on body piercing, now that amendments have been made to the Township Code for tattoos and microblading. She said that a student did research, including interviewing four regional business people involved in body piercing and those licensed in Philadelphia. Regulations were drawn up that would exclude earlobe piercing.
- Eddy Bresnitz moved to accept the regulations. The motion passed unanimously, 6-0. Thomas Walsh said the language would then go to Township solicitor Gil High and eventually the Health Committee of the Board of Commissioners for adoption into the Township Code.
- William Leopold said he met with Tony Salvatore of the Montgomery County Suicide Prevention Workshop, and with Mark Murray and Josh Mackley of LMTV; and that he'll be the first interview for a show and a couple of 30-second PSAs on the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. Mr. Leopold then read the PSA scripts.
- Mr. Leopold then spoke of a follow-up from Lower Merion Police Superintendent Michael McGrath about memos for services after people are revived via Narcan (Naloxone). The concept, he said, is to perhaps have LMPD develop a consent form regarding voluntary assistance.

- Christine Stallkamp commented that, realistically, maybe it is best to simply leave resource information with the person who was administered Narcan. Mr. Leopold said that you can do that regardless, but that signatures were a more significant step. Dr. Nelson said there may be an ethical problem with having victims sign under their condition. The committee further discussed the issue. Mr. Walsh was asked to follow up with Supt. McGrath about what steps the LMPD is willing to take on this issue, including the possibility of having people sign forms.
- Mr. Walsh was asked to find out if any of the five AEDs installed in Township parks have been used. Karen Anderson said the Lower Merion School District is adding more to its current inventory.
- Dr. Nelson adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

CURRENT TOWNSHIP AEDs (5)

South Ardmore Park (2)

Vernon Young Park / Ardmore Pool area (2)

McMoran Park (1)

In 2019, three (3) more will be added:

Ashburn Field

Bala Cynwyd Park

General Wayne Park

So far, none of the existing AEDs have been used. They are maintained monthly.