

Geauga County General Health District
Board of Health Meeting Minutes
July 16, 2018, 5:00 p.m.
Geauga County Health District Office
470 Center Street, Bldg. 8, Chardon, OH 44024

I. Call to Order

Mr. David Gragg, President, called the monthly meeting of the Geauga County Board of Health to order at 5:03 p.m.

Board members present: Mr. David Gagg, President, Mrs. Catherine Whitright, and Mr. Richard Piraino. Dr. Jonathan Wynbrandt and Mrs. Christina Livers were not present.

Staff members present: David Sage, Interim Health Commissioner, Alta Wendell, Administrative Assistant, Herb Shubick, Sanitarian and Christie Gigliotti, Accreditation Coordinator.

Others present: Tammy Spencer, Adam Litke and John Szep.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Gragg asked everyone to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Approval of Board Minutes

Mrs. Whitright moved to approve the minutes from the May 21, 2018, June 18, 2018 and June 26, 2018 meetings. Mr. Piraino seconded the motion. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Mr. Gragg, yes; Mrs. Whitright, yes; and Mr. Piraino, yes.

IV. Approval of Current Expense and Financial Reports

Mrs. Whitright moved to approve the Current Expense and Financial Reports June 15, 2018 to July 12, 2018. Mr. Piraino seconded the motion. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Mr. Gragg, yes; Mrs. Whitright, yes; and Mr. Piraino, yes.

Adam Litke provided information regarding the recent Budget Commission meeting. He stated that everything went well. There were some questions that Mr. Litke answered for the commission. They have asked the budget to be submitted to them in a different format. Those changes will be made for next year's submission. The Budget Commission unanimously approved the 2019 Geauga County Health District budget.

V. Administrative Hearing

a. Randall Hedrick

Randall Hedrick was not present. Dave Sage and Herb Shubick were both sworn in by Mr. Gragg and stated their experience. John Szep was also present and sworn in.

Mr. Sage stated that this is an alleged code violation to the property owned by Randall Hedrick, 12131 Bean Rd., Munson Twp. This case is based on section 3734.03 of the Ohio Revised Code which states:

"No person shall dispose of solid wastes by open burning or open dumping, except as authorized by the director of environmental protection in rules adopted in accordance with division (V) of section [3734.01](#), section [3734.02](#), or sections [3734.70](#) to [3734.73](#) of the Revised Code and except for burying or burning the body of a dead animal as authorized by section [941.14](#) of the Revised Code. No person shall dispose of treated or untreated infectious wastes by open burning or open dumping." Discussion followed.

Mr. Szep stated that he was representing his father who lives next door. He indicated that more items had

been dumped in to the pond. Mr. Shubick provided pictures showing the dumping.

Mr. Piraino moved that a code violation exists at the property owned by Randall Hedrick, 12131 Bean Rd., Munson Twp. Mrs. Whitright seconded the motion. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Mr. Gragg, yes; Mrs. Whitright, yes; and Mr. Piraino, yes.

Mrs. Whitright moved that the owner be required to remove the solid waste from the pond and properly dispose of it at a solid waste landfill and provide receipts showing the property disposal to the health district within 30 days of receipt of Board order. Failure to follow this order will result in referral to the Prosecutor's office for legal action. Mr. Piraino seconded the motion. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Mr. Gragg, yes; Mrs. Whitright, yes; and Mr. Piraino, yes.

VI. Environmental Health Program Update

Mr. Sage reported ODH and ODA have updated the food service inspection forms. They will be providing training on the forms and also the new survey method.

The prosecutor's office is working on an agreement for the Pinnacle Woods situation. The agreement will be to remedy the problem within one to two months.

VII. Health and Wellness

Mr. Sage reported Since Mrs. Andrews has retired effective June 15, 2018, Herb Shubick gave the report.

There were 46 reportable infectious disease cases for May with 48% of them being STDs.

The nurses are completing the final month of child and adolescent immunization clinics. We will also no longer utilize VaxCare vaccines. Beginning July 1, 2018, only those who are under or uninsured will be vaccinated using state provided vaccine.

The nurses are completing deliverables for the IAP and MCH grants.

Dr. Williams-Reid is continuing to move forward with Amish Well Child Clinics. Mrs. Andrews provided her with a best estimate of cost and time analysis to maintain the clinics. This will be a cooperative effort with Geauga, Trumbull, Portage and Ashtabula Counties. A recent survey of Amish families found the most are willing to pay \$30.00 per visit. Another possibility is to get the MRC involved as well.

Grant reportables are as follows to date: PHEP- billed for over \$82,000.00; IAP- brought in over \$37,000.00; MCH have billed for approximately \$26,000.00.

The Nutrition Program: Fruit and Veggie Adventure, is in progress with four programs being offered on Thursday mornings in July at UH Geauga Medical Center and four on Wednesday evenings in August at the Geauga YMCA.

Christie Gigliotti is training the nurses how to use GMIS for the grants. This is something new for the nurses; this is usually done by the Nursing Director.

VIII. Accreditation

Ms. Gigliotti reported on the Strategic Planning Committee meeting that was held just before the regular meeting. She explained the highlights of the internal survey, the SWOT analysis and GAP analysis.. She also explained how all our plans must link to the Strategic Plan.

She went on to say that we must collaborate with University Hospitals on the CHIP. This week UH is having a meeting to discuss their next steps with merging the CHA/CHIP efforts. She expects to have a meeting with them after to begin the discussion of how to move forward and who will be the lead.

Mr. Shubick has been contacting the agencies that were involved and contributed to the last CHIP. He is also working on solicitation letters to distribute. We have received a quote from the Hospital Council of Northwest Ohio.

Miss Gigliotti stated that a group conducted a survey regarding transportation for the Amish. The study found that the Amish are well taken care of by the Amish taxi services in the area. The rest of the data was inconclusive. The survey did not include the elderly or impoverished. Mrs. Whitright stated that she recently found that there is no transportation for residents who have had a procedure at Geauga Hospital and cannot drive home.

Miss Gigliotti will be participating in the NAMI Mental Health Walk. She will be providing information on Healthy Brains

IX. Old Business

There was no old business.

X. Executive Session

Mrs. Whitright moved to adjourn for Executive Session at 5:41 p.m. to discuss personnel matters. Mr. Piraino seconded the motion. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Mr. Gragg, yes; Mrs. Whitright, yes; and Mr. Piraino, yes. The meeting reconvened at 6:54 p.m.

XI. New Business

Mr. Piraino moved 7.13.18-a to appoint Mary Ann Marsh as the health district representative for Family First Council. Mrs. Whitright seconded the motion. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Mr. Gragg, yes; Mrs. Whitright, yes; and Mr. Piraino, yes.

Mrs. Whitright moved 7.13.18-c to approve salary increases for the health district staff, retroactive to Payroll 14. Mr. Piraino seconded the motion. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Mr. Gragg, yes; Mrs. Whitright, yes; and Mr. Piraino, yes.

XII. Other Business

Mr. Piraino asked to adopt the County Commissioner's personnel policy. Mr Sage and Mrs. Wendell told him that the health district has their own personnel policy which mostly mirrors the commissioner's. Mrs. Wendell and Mr. Litke had been working on updating it, but it has been delayed. The hope is to be able to get back to it within the next few months.

Mr. Gragg stated that due to the recent changes, the following appointments are being made: Interim Director of Environmental Health- Eric Robb; Interim Director of Nursing- Mary Ann Marsh.

XIII. Meetings

Regular Board of Health Meeting, Monday, August 20, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. in the meeting room of 470 Center St., Bldg. 8, Chardon, Ohio.

XIV. Adjourn

As there was no further business to come before the Board, **Mr. Piraino moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Mrs. Whitright seconded the motion. Motion carried with a roll call vote. Mr. Gragg, yes; Mrs. Whitright, yes; and Mr. Piraino, yes.**

Respectfully submitted,

David Sage, Interim Health Commissioner

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