

FINDLAY CITY BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES

REGULAR SESSION

July 22, 2015

FINDLAY CITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Members Attendance:

- X Mayor Lydia Mihalik, *President Ex Officio*
- A Dr. Stephen Mills, Health Commissioner/Board Secretary
- X Mr. Gregory Cline, *President Pro Tempore*
- X Mr. William Alge
- A Dr. Robert McEvoy
- X Mrs. Joan Work
- A Licensing Council Rep Vacant

Staff Attendance:

- X Mrs. Barbara Wilhelm, Deputy Health Commissioner
- X Mr. Craig Niese, Environmental Health Director
- X Mrs. Becky Bern, Nursing Director
- X Mr. Eric Helms, Plumbing Inspector
- X Mr. Chad Masters, Emergency Response
- X Mr. Noah Stuby, Implementation Coordinator

Prior to beginning the Board of Health Meeting Debra Parker, Dean of the University of Findlay's College of Pharmacy along with John Stanovich, Pharmacy Professor and Chair of the Hancock County Prescription Drug and Opiate Abuse Task Force, were on hand to present the Findlay City Health Department with a check for \$1500. This money will be used to establish a Project DAWN (Deaths Avoided With Naloxone) program within Hancock County.

Call to Order: Mayor Mihalik called the meeting to order at 7:45 A.M.

Minutes: Due to a lack of quorum at the June meeting, Mayor Mihalik called for a motion to approve the May 20, 2015 minutes. **Mr. Cline moved to accept the minutes from May 20, 2015 Board of Health meeting as circulated.** Seconded by Mr. Alge. **Motion carried 3-0.** Filed. Mayor Mihalik then called for a motion to accept the June 17, 2015 minutes. **Mr. Cline moved to accept the minutes from the June 17, 2015 Board of Health meeting as circulated.** Seconded by Mr. Alge. **Motion carried 3-0.** Filed

HEALTH COMMISSIONER REPORT

1. Dr. Mills was unavailable for the July meeting.

DEPUTY HEALTH COMMISSIONER REPORT

(The Deputy Health Commissioner report was given after the Plumbing Inspector's report.)

1. Mrs. Wilhelm noted that the recently passed HB 4 makes it even easier for the health department to establish the Project DAWN program. This allows Dr. Mills to establish a protocol for distributing naloxone kits by which he can designate trainers within the health department to distribute the naloxone via this protocol. Also the new state budget bill has included financing for naloxone distribution. In addition a rebate for naloxone is currently being offered. Mrs. Wilhelm noted that participants will be advised of the cost of the kits and donations will be accepted to offset the cost. This will help us build a sustainable program.

2. Mrs. Wilhelm advised the Board that a meeting for community partners regarding the legalization of marijuana was held recently and she thanked Mrs. Work and Mayor Mihalik for attending. Mrs. Wilhelm viewed the meeting as a good first step to raising awareness regarding the issue. She then noted that Responsible Ohio failed to collect enough legal signatures for the ballot so they now have 10 days to collect an additional 30,000 signatures. Mrs. Wilhelm warned that it is likely that marijuana legalization will still be on the ballot in November.
3. A site visit was held in June for the Child and Family Health Services Grant and an official report has been received with no deficiencies or recommendations. The report was distributed to Board members.

NURSING REPORT

1. Mrs. Bern noted that she has found an alternative source for a Hepatitis C test that can be performed under our CLIA Waiver. The test costs \$21.25 per test. Insurance reimbursement is not an option in this case but we could ask for a \$25 donation per test performed. We would need a minimum order of 25 tests which would cost about \$550. Mrs. Bern is still looking into funding for this.
2. Mrs. Bern explained that she will be entering into a physician buying group agreement for vaccine purchase called USPPG. This contract will allow for a substantial savings and will allow us to potentially qualify for a 3% rebate. This contract was not available to us before and is basically a physician's buying group that GLAXO is now allowing health departments to be a part of. This opportunity should save us at least \$1.00 per dose.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH REPORT

1. Mrs. Work moved to approve the plans for diVine Wine Bar, 326 S. Main St. Seconded by Mr. Cline. **Motion carried 3-0.** Filed. Mr. Niese noted they will carry limited food items.
2. Mr. Niese reported that he has received a request from Boy Scouts of America to do some mosquito spraying at Camp Berry. With all of the recent rain mosquitoes have become quite a problem. Mr. Niese has contracted with them to conduct spraying and they will reimburse us for the cost of chemical plus the time to travel to the camp and spray. Mr. Niese has already started spraying the city park areas. He has received numerous complaints about other areas of the city and in the past he has concentrated on the parks and associated events. He asked for Board input on increasing the spraying area.

Mayor Mihalik asked if spraying had been limited due to budget to which Mr. Niese replied it had. Mayor Mihalik felt the city is in a better position financially to increase spraying at this time. A good supply of chemicals was purchased last fall along with a new mosquito sprayer so it

was agreed to expand the spraying. Mr. Cline asked if Mr. Niese had a plan to which he responded that besides the parks there are known areas in the city that are prone to standing water and he will also be responsive to resident complaints. Mr. Niese will take care of announcing in the paper that city wide spraying will begin which could allow residents to opt out of spraying.

EMERGENCY RESPONSE / EPI REPORT

1. Mr. Masters informed the Board that he attended a Mass Casualty/Active Shooter Committee Meeting on July 21st, where representatives from EMA, law enforcement, fire department, EMS, and hospital were present. This quarterly meeting is meant to continue the planning efforts in preparing for a situation where there are many wounded due to man-made or natural events and how to manage the response. Mr. Masters explained that he was invited to the meeting to work in collaboration with these agencies since he has been working on the mass fatality planning and response for the last several years. Officer Lee Hammond, Findlay Police Department, stated that in reviewing the minutes that Mr. Masters had provided him, Ofcr. Hammond was pleased to see that many of the concerns he had in planning were already being addressed by the mass fatality committee.

Mr. Masters also explained that field exercise training was held in June at the Hancock County Fairgrounds, whereby police, EMS, and other response agencies utilized volunteers as "victims" to simulate an active shooter situation and test their capabilities. It was a successful operation and other trainings will continue to explore the issues that could occur in this type of emergency.

2. Mr. Masters was approached by Dr. Mills last week and was informed that the Findlay Village Mall does not currently have an automatic external defibrillator (AED). Dr. Mills explained that previous management at the mall believed that by having an AED that they would be assuming some type of liability. However, Dr. Mills felt strongly that an AED should be present, especially since there are many "walkers," and wondered if there was some way that the health department could provide one. Mr. Masters explained that he had Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) money available that could possibly be used to purchase. Mr. Masters met with the mall manager on July 17th and the manager stated that she thought it was a great idea and just needed to have it approved by her corporate office. Mr. Masters explained to the mall manager that an MRC volunteer may be available to provide training for designated mall personnel on the use of the AED.

PLUMBING REPORT

1. Mr. Helms reported business as usual.

MEETING REQUESTS

Mr. Cline moved to approve the travel requests.

1. August 18, 2015: Cheryl Klakamp to attend state Vital Statistics meeting in Columbus.
Cost \$95 Registration.

Seconded by Mrs. Work. **Motion carried 3-0.** Filed.

OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Mihalik shared that she recently attended a presentation by the Literacy Coalition on the Dolly Parton Imagination Library. This program provides children birth to age 5 with a free book a month to promote reading and literacy. The Literacy Coalition has been working with the program locally for about a year. Mayor Mihalik wondered if there is a way to partner with them to get children signed up as we have access by providing birth certificates. Bill McAllister is the local contact for the program and Mayor Mihalik will provide the connection. Mr. Alge noted one of the programs mentioned in Mr. McAllister's presentation was Help Me Grow. Mrs. Bern explained that she is aware of and works with the program. Our Help Me Grow home visitors work with families to get them started in the program but she has noticed that one of the problems is this population often moves frequently and the program is address based. She also shared that one of the screenings Help Me Grow Home Visitors provide is to assess how many books a child has access to. She noted it is definitely a worthwhile and much needed program and would be a good connection with the Vital Statistics Department. Mrs. Work added that local churches give away free books at their community dinners as well.

EXPENSES

Mr. Cline moved to approve the expenses for both June and July. Seconded by Mrs. Work.
Motion carried 3-0. Filed

The meeting was adjourned at 8:09 A.M.

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 _____, Secretary (Health Commissioner)