

Springdale Board of Health  
April 14, 2016

Mayor Webster called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Board of Health Members

Present: Scott Garrison, Lynn Jones, Dr. Ketring, James Squires

Medical Advisor: Dr. Webb

Not in Attendance: Rita Hart

Others Present

Mayor Webster; Holly Emerson, Council representative to the Board of Health

City Staff: Matt Clayton, Health Commissioner; Jean Hicks, Public Health Nurse

Minutes of the March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Board of Health Meeting – Minutes of the March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Board of Health (BOH) meeting were considered. Dr. Ketring made a motion to approve the minutes and Mrs. Jones seconded the motion. There was no discussion and with a unanimous “aye” vote, the minutes were approved as published.

City Council Report

Mrs. Emerson reported on the March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016 City Council meeting. There was no legislation passed at this meeting; however, the demolition of the old Sheraton Hotel on Route 4 was discussed. The Mayor reported that there were 13 responses to the City’s Request for Proposal, with bids ranging from \$587,000 to \$1,600,000. The low/best bidder was O’Rourke, a construction company well known in the area. Legislation is forthcoming at the next council meeting to authorize the Mayor/Clerk of Court to enter into the contract for this work, which is expected to be completed by the end of August. It is anticipated that Hamilton County will be providing \$300,000 in funding for this project.

Mrs. Emerson reported the passing of three Ordinances at the April 6<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting - Ordinance No. 5-2016 for the purchase of 49 800MHz radios for use by the Police and Fire Departments as well as Public Works, Parks and Recreation, and Administration. These radios will upgrade and work with the existing radio system. Ordinance No. 6-2016 authorized a Job Retention and Creation Incentive Agreement with the Council on Aging (COA) of Southwest Ohio, who has been a Springdale business and is expanding in both their staff and their average of coverage, from a five-county to a 21-county area. The COA works on keeping seniors and those under age 60 with disabilities in their homes and provides many services to that affect. Mrs. Emerson passed around their Annual Report. Ordinance No. 7-2016 authorized a Job Retention and Creation Incentive Agreement with Ultimus Mutual Fund Solutions, LLC, another successful Springdale business who is expanding in scope, space, and personnel. All three of these ordinances passed with a 7 – 0 vote.

Old Business

Mr. Clayton provided an update on the prescription drug drop box. The Police Department has contacted the DEA, put in a Purchase Order for the drop box, and drafted the policy. Currently there are two incinerators in the area the City will be able to use for the disposal of prescription drugs collected. The Center for Local Government is investigating the

possibility of purchasing a kiln; this would allow for the disposal of illicit drugs as well. Mr. Garrison asked when the drop box would be up and running and Mr. Clayton replied hopefully in May. The City will participate in the DEA drug take back program on April 30<sup>th</sup>.

### New Business

Mr. Clayton announced that additional resources have been placed on the City's Website and Facebook page including the Healthy U Diabetes Workshop, Fall 2016 Immunization requirements, warm weather health and safety tips, the Children's Health Fair, and "Limiting the Presence of Skunks in Residential Areas". Mr. Clayton encouraged the BOH members to review the information and welcomed suggestions.

### Health Commissioner's Report

Matt Clayton

Under **Nuisances, Animal Bites, and Food Illnesses**, Mr. Clayton noted that the number of complaints typically do rise this time of year and provided a summary of resolved complaints since the last meeting. There was a complaint of a cat with neurologic symptoms; therefore, a sample had to be sent in to the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) laboratory for rabies testing; this was negative. There were two complaints of residents with multiple cats in their residents – one resident in Olde Gate has over 20 cats; this was not resolved and will be to Mayor's Court. The second complaint was a situation where an elderly veteran's caretaker, his daughter, is temporarily medically unable to care for him. The Health Commissioner, Registered Sanitarian, and Public Health Nurse met with him along with Adult Protective Services and the DAV (Disabled American Veterans) organization, who is going to provide services to the veteran. Meals on Wheels is also getting looked into for this senior resident.

Complaints at the Willows consisted of odors, mice, a water leak, and a kitchen sink. Mr. Clayton goes to the Willows every week or two and has tried to stress that changing out the furnace filters are in the best interest to them as well as the residents.

There was a bed bug complaint at the Motel 8, for which the owner acquired treatment. At the Super 8, there was a noise complaint and drug paraphernalia was found under a mattress.

There were three complaints of unsanitary living conditions, one each on Smiley, Mangrove, and Cloverdale. There were two mold complaints – one at Walden Grove and one at the Knolls, which was abated; however, the resident moved out anyway due to her child having asthma. There was a complaint of a business at the Tri-County Mall who was doing piercings without permission, which is a lease violation. This practice was ceased.

There were two food establishment-related complaints – one was at the Steak-N-Shake, where there were violations in their food handling practices; this was due to a lack of employee training. The other was at the Carneseria Miravito on Northland Boulevard; however, the information received was lacking and the Health Commissioner was unable to contact the reporter for additional details.

**Food Program** – The plans for the Outback at Tri-County Mall are under review. ServSafe classes were held March 28 – 29 at the Springdale Community Center.

**Willows Work Group (WWG)** – The Springdale Health Department held a WWG meeting on April 8<sup>th</sup>. There was an update of service calls to the Willows by the City Police, Fire, Building, and Health Departments. Willows management and maintenance provided a report on maintenance repairs and projects. There was further planning of the Chamberlain Park block party, which is going to be May 7<sup>th</sup>. Many City departments are participating as well as other community resources such as Su Casa, Housing Opportunities Made Equal (HOME), the Latino Coalition of Southwest Ohio, and the Greater Cincinnati Interfaith Workers House. Mr. Clayton is hopeful that the Butler County Big Brother/Big Sister organization will be in attendance as well. Mr. Clayton states a goal of the block party is to help overcome cultural barriers. The agenda of the April 8<sup>th</sup> WWG meeting was included in the BOH packet.

**Springdale Nuisance Abatement Program (SNAP)** – A SNAP meeting was held on April 1<sup>st</sup>. The letter introducing SNAP to the Springdale hotel and motel operators was approved at the meeting and subsequently mailed. The letter informed the owners of the purpose of the program and extended an invitation to attend a forum on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. This forum will include speakers from the City of Springdale, including the City's Economic Development Director, Mrs. Russell; the Cincinnati Convention and Visitor's Bureau; and the Ohio Hotel/Motel Association. The letter to the owners and the March SNAP meeting minutes were included as handouts in the BOH packets. Mr. Garrison asked if there was any response from the owners; Mr. Clayton replied that they had just been mailed, so there was no response at the time of the BOH meeting.

**Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP)** – The SHD plans to participate in the regional Ebola tabletop exercise on May 24<sup>th</sup> and the functional exercise on June 29<sup>th</sup>.

**Western Kentucky University (WKU) Masters of Public Health (MPH) Student Internship Program** – Dr. Parth Modi continues his WKU MPH internship with the Health Department, working on the PHAB Accreditation prerequisites and the City of Springdale Emergency Preparedness Program.

**Public Health Accreditation (PHA)** – Mr. Clayton, Mrs. Hicks, Mrs. Jergens, Mrs. Boggs, and Dr. Modi met with the PHA consultant again on April 4<sup>th</sup> for the initial phase of the Springdale Health Department (SHD) Strategic Planning meeting. Discussion centered around the SHD Mission, Vision, and Core Values statements. In an attempt to collect data for the City of Springdale Community Health Assessment (CHA), the SHD is soliciting input from the community via surveys on Survey Monkey in both English and Spanish. Board members were encouraged to participate in the survey. The SHD is also reaching out to media outlets and our City community partners to gain participation in the survey. This survey was also emailed out to all City employees. The survey data collection is the last step in the completion of the 2016 CHA. The next Strategic Planning meeting is April 25<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Clayton invited BOH members to participate in the meeting if they were available. Dr. Ketring asked why the BOH attendance was requested and Mr. Clayton replied to give input to the discussion, to diversify the perspective and to provide historical

knowledge. Mr. Thamann, the Assistant City Administrator, will be attending the meeting as well, for the same reasons. The completion of the CHA will then allow getting the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) underway. The agenda of the April 4<sup>th</sup> Strategic Planning meeting and a flyer advertising the CHA survey were included as attachments in the BOH packet.

Public Health Nurse's Report

Jean Hicks, RN

**Ebola Update** – Liberia and Guinea have reactivated their emergency response efforts after a woman died of Ebola after traveling from Guinea to Liberia. The woman has two sons that have Ebola. This is the same strain as previously identified. One hundred contacts are being followed and over 1,000 contacts have been vaccinated. Mrs. Hicks advised that more flare-ups are expected – the Ebola crisis is not over! A World Health Organization article was included in the BOH packet.

**ZIKA VIRUS** – The CDC continues to advise women who may become or who are pregnant and their mates to avoid travel and to protect themselves from mosquito bites if traveling to areas with the Zika virus. In addition to mosquito bites, the virus can also be sexually transmitted. The virus was originally thought to be carried by only one type of mosquito; however, it has been found that another type carries it as well. Additionally the mosquitoes are in a much larger area than originally believed. More health effects are being discovered and documented to not only the pediatric population but to adults as well. Included in the BOH packet were several pieces of information about the Zika virus, including a Press Release from the CDC's National Zika Summit held April 1, 2016, along with other information materials and an Ohio Department of Health (ODH) pamphlet.

There was a Zika and Mosquito Safety class at the Hamilton County General Health District on April 14<sup>th</sup> and Springdale HD's Environmental Health Director, Mrs. Jergens, attended the class. Hamilton County agreed to share the course PowerPoint with the Springdale HD and we are hoping to provide a Zika and Mosquito-borne illness class for Springdale constituents at the Community Center.

**INFLUENZA** – Mrs. Hicks reported that influenza-like illnesses in Ohio have remained minimal; however, Kentucky has seen increased activity. Mr. Garrison reported that a person came in recently for a vaccine; however, vaccines for the past flu season (October 2015 through March 2016) have expired.

**Children's Health Fair** – Mrs. Hicks reminded the BOH that the Children's Health Fair, for third grade students in the Princeton School District, is scheduled for Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at the Community Center. Mrs. Jones is volunteering. A new participant this year is Prevention First, an organization with the mission of preventing children from using alcohol and abusing drugs. Mr. Clayton reported that he had put an application in to serve on their board.

**Healthy U Diabetes Workshop** – The six-week long program will be offered Thursday mornings beginning May 12 through June 16 from 9:30 – noon. The program will be advertised in the Springdale newsletter, the website, and Facebook as well as on the

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Council on Aging (COA) website. This program is designed primarily for those with Type II Diabetes and is free. Contact Mrs. Hicks to sign up.

**Tristate Medical Reserve Corp** – Mrs. Hicks attended the Tristate Medical Reserve Corp summit on Saturday, April 9, in Erlanger, Kentucky. The summit covered topics such as emergency response and planning in the Southwest Ohio region as well as training, including CPR and first aid.

**Latino Coalition of Southwest Ohio** – There was an Information Event regarding Immigration held on Saturday, March 12 at the Healing Center. A mock interview of the “Citizenship Interviews” was held. There were informational flyers for those interested in obtaining citizenship. Mrs. Hicks noted that this event was well attended by a diverse audience; therefore, they want to repeat this subject at a future date. Planning continues for the Annual Latino Expo to be held in the fall, of which Mrs. Hicks handles coordination of the Health Fair component of the Expo.

**Healthy Women, Healthy Lives** – Mrs. Hicks reported that she had got an email from Pat Bacchus of Tri-Health, who holds a Healthy Women, Healthy Lives Health Fair; this year it will be on the first Saturday in June at the Healing Center. Mrs. Hicks helps staff the fair, which provides free cholesterol, glucose, blood pressure, BMI, and osteoporosis screenings for women. Mammograms are also available on an appointment basis. Mr. Squires offered to look into advertising for the event.

Board of Health Discussion

Mr. Garrison reported that there is going to be a Suboxone clinic on Northland Boulevard in Forest Park. The CVS pharmacy staff were invited to a community event for the opening of this clinic.

The next meeting will be Thursday, May 12 at 7:00 p.m. The Board of Health adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Matthew Clayton, Health Commissioner