

Springdale Board of Health
May 12, 2016

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

Board of Health Members

Present: Scott Garrison, Rita Hart, Lynn Jones, Dr. Ketring, James Squires
Medical Advisor: Dr. Webb

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 April 14th, 2016 Board of Health Meeting – Minutes of the April 14th, 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 April 20th, 2016 City Council meeting, which included several ordinances – one authorizing a new 3-year agreement (2016-2019) with TEC Engineering, who operates and maintains the City’s Traffic Control System. Another ordinance authorizing the contract with O’Rourke Construction for the demolition of the old Sheraton Hotel. O’Rourke was the lowest and best bidder and is going to bring the building down mechanically. Another ordinance authorized Administration to execute a Memorandum of Understanding for the Hamilton County Community Development Block Grant Program, which is contributing \$300,000 and Transient Occupancy Tax Funding, which is contributing \$50,000; these funds will assist with the cost of the Sheraton Hotel demolition. There were also Proclamations for Building Safety Month (May) and Arbor Day.

Mrs. Emerson also reported on the May 4th, 2016 City Council meeting. There was only one piece of legislation for this meeting – Ordinance No. 13-2016, authorizing the City of Springdale to participate in the Worker’s Compensation Group Rating Program. This will allow the City to save \$34,000 in Worker’s Compensation premiums. This is a 19% savings in participating individually. Proclamations for Police Week and Public Works were issued by the Mayor.

Old Business

Mrs. Hart asked the status of the drug take-back program. Mr. Clayton stated that the plan was in place and would take effect May 20th, 2016. The City had participated in the national drug take-back day on April 30th. Prescription pills, capsules, and tablets are acceptable but we are not able to accept ointments and/or cream-type medications. The program is being promoted in the newsletter and on the City’s Facebook page and website.

New Business

- None.

Health Commissioner's Report

Matt Clayton

Under **Nuisances, Animal Bites, and Food Illnesses**, there were complaints of moldy ceiling tiles, a water leak and defective smoke detectors at the Atrium Hotel; these items were corrected and verified. The Health Department was notified by the Springdale Police Department of an issue at the Super 8 Motel. There was a guest who stated drug paraphernalia was found under the mattress and therefore had a dispute with management over her bill. The room was inspected with the owner and no actual violations were found. Another complaint involved Tri-County Beverage, who was rebagging large bags of ice into smaller bags of ice for purchase. The process and equipment required to be able to do that were discussed with the owner, who opted to not continue this practice. There was a complaint of sewer gas on Brookston, an odor when the shower ran at a location on Olde Gate, and an odor detected on Lawnview. The appropriate sump pumps and drains were cleaned no further action was necessary. Handouts of these complaints were provided in the Board of Health (BOH) packets.

Mr. Clayton gave an update on the elderly veteran, whose daughter, his caretaker, had a health event and is currently unable to care for him. The goal is to keep the 91 year old World War II veteran in his home. Mr. Clayton is coordinating the DAV working with the veteran and a neighbor is checking on him daily. The veteran is on a list for the Council of Aging to perform an assessment; however, at this time, the Health Department is uncertain how this will be received by the veteran. Mrs. Hicks will follow-up on the assessment. Meanwhile, the caretaker is improving and the hope is she will be able to return home. The Mayor reported that Springdale Offering Support (SOS) and Lowes worked together to provide a refrigerator for the veteran.

Food Program – The plans for the Outback at Tri-County Mall have been approved and construction is underway. Enterprise Vending has submitted plans for a micro-market in the First Financial Building on Pictoria Drive. Enterprise operates other food operations in Springdale. The micro-market falls under the Retail Food Establishment (RFE-1) food operation category. BJ's at Tri-County Mall will be moving into one of the new out lots in the mall parking lot. The Springdale Health Department taught an on-site ServeSafe class at Dave and Buster's on April 26 – 26. The Health Department is able to offer on-site training to other establishments as well.

Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) / Zika Virus – There was a PHEP meeting on May 13th, 2016 in preparation for the regional Ebola tabletop exercise on May 24th, 2016 and the functional exercise on June 29th, 2016 that the Springdale Health Department (SHD) is participating in. Mr. Clayton reported some of the PHEP Ebola Supplemental grant money got diverted to the Zika virus and mosquito control efforts. There is also a State of Ohio grant specifically for mosquito control actions. Mr. Clayton stated that while other jurisdictions were investigating drones for surveillance of mosquitos, he felt Springdale's money would be better utilized in purchasing larvicide, such as mosquito donks. The Mayor mentioned a house on Summerfield that had an unattended pool. The Building Department was aware of it and had reported it to the

Health Department. Mr. Squires asked if the Health Department needed to do public education on this topic. The SHD is planning to present Zika Virus Prevention at the Springdale Community Center on June 10th from 10:00 a.m. until noon. This event will be open to the public and held in Meeting Rooms 1, 2, and 3. Mrs. Emerson suggested this event be advertised on the Community Center marquis.

Willows Work Group (WWG) – The WWG-sponsored Chamberlain Park block party was held on May 7th, 2016 and was well-attended. Mr. Clayton thanked the Mayor, BOH members, and Staff who assisted and/or attended. Mrs. Hart specifically recognized the prominence of the Willows management and staff at the event and it was noted that they handled the clean-up of the event as well. The SHD distributed health information, available in both English and Spanish, to include SHD flyers, 2016 Recommended Immunization schedule, Community Health Assessment surveys, mosquito control literature, and Healthy Women, Healthy Lives pamphlets. There was a lot of interaction between several City of Springdale Departments (Police, Fire, Parks and Recreation), the residents, and the Willows Apartments staff and management, as well as other block party/WWG partners Su Casa, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Housing Opportunities Made Equal (HOME), the Southwest Latino Coalition, the Greater Cincinnati Interfaith Workers House, and the union. Goals of the block party included increasing the quality of life and facilitating/addressing cultural barriers. The Southwest Ohio Latino Coalition was handing out financial intelligence/debt management information and the Union was there to assist with employment opportunities.

Public Health Accreditation (PHA) – Mr. Clayton, Mrs. Hicks, Mrs. Jergens, Mrs. Boggs, and Mr. Thamann met with the PHA consultant again on April 25th for the second phase of the Strategic Planning Meeting. The next meeting will be held May 25th. The SHD received over 100 surveys on Survey Monkey, which allows for the completion of the Springdale 2016 Community Health Assessment. The next step in the accreditation process is the Community Health Improvement Plan. The data from the surveys will also guide the SHD's efforts to tailor the SHD's services to the public health needs of Springdale. Mr. Clayton provided the proposed Mission and Vision Statements as well as the Proposed Tagline for the Springdale Health Department and supported BOH input. It was agreed that the Mission Statement was acceptable and it was suggested that "safety" be added into the Proposed Tagline. There was discussion about the Vision Statement. Mr. Clayton had an earlier version he had before the PHA consultant edited it into its' current form. Mr. Clayton agreed to distribute his original draft for additional review. The Springdale Health Department will also develop a Workforce Development Plan in 2017 as part of the accreditation program.

Springdale Nuisance Abatement Program (SNAP) – A SNAP meeting was held May 6th, 2016. This was in preparation for the upcoming SNAP Forum on June 3rd, 2016 at the Springdale Community Center. There will be speakers from the Ohio Hotel/Motel Association, the Cincinnati Visitor's Convention Bureau and Mrs. Russell, the City of Springdale Economic Director. Dr. Ketring asked what kind of response the SHD got from the informational SNAP letters mailed out along with the motel licensing applications sent out in April. There was minimal response so the letters were hand-delivered to each operator and they were asked to send a representative to the forum. Mr. Clayton has started calling the operators' corporations for their input and had positive input from

LaQuinta but the Wyndham franchise clearing house for the other hotel chains was less cooperative.

Western Kentucky University (WKU) Masters of Public Health (MPH) Student Internship Program – Dr. Parth Modi will complete his WKU MPH internship with the Health Department in May. Dr. Modi participated in the Community Health Assessment, the Strategic Plan, and the Emergency Preparedness Program. Mr. Clayton announced he is exploring the possibility of a similar internship with the MPH Program at the Ohio State University.

Smoke-Free Ohio Program – The Springdale HD Smoke-Free Ohio Workplace Program was audited by third-party Strategic Research Group on May 3rd, 2016 for the Ohio Department of Health. Based on feedback from the auditor, positive results are anticipated. The auditor conducted phone interviews with Mr. Clayton, Mrs. Jergens, and Mrs. Boggs.

Recognition and Thank You – Mr. Clayton gave recognition to Mrs. Hicks on all of her recent efforts. In addition with working the Willows/Chamberlain Party Block party, Mrs. Hicks also attended a neighborhood watch meeting and solicited more Community Health Assessment Surveys and arranged a meeting between Su Casa and the Willows to expand outreach and set up a date with the UC mobile mammogram van. Mrs. Hicks pointed out that the Tri-Health mammogram van will be at the Healthy Women, Healthy Lives event. Mr. Clayton also used this time to thank the Mayor for his opportunity to serve the City of Springdale as Health Commissioner and thanked the Board of Health members for their welcome and input as well. The Board congratulated Matt on his successes in his short time with the City thus far.

Public Health Nurse's Report

Jean Hicks, RN

Ebola Update – Liberia and Guinea celebrated the recovery of a two-year old and a five-year old in the latest flare-up of Ebola. Both countries are in the 42-day countdown. (Handout of article included in 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. It is important to remove breeding spots for mosquitos by cleaning up trash and anything that can hold standing water especially, such as bottle caps and tires. Donks are available many places and can last up to 30 days, depending on weather. The Ohio Department of Health (ODH) has moved funding from Ebola to Zika; there is going to be educational spots on television. The ODH/CDC guidelines for Zika Virus Testing Recommendations and educational handouts in English and Spanish were included in the BOH packets.

Lyme Disease – Lyme disease incidence is increasing in Ohio. Healthcare providers are being encouraged to consider tick-borne diseases in the diagnosis for patients with appropriate symptoms. Included in the BOH packet were the ODH memo, copies of the testing process and maps of the counties in Ohio where the black-legged tick is found and where Lyme disease has become endemic.

INFLUENZA – Mrs. Hicks reported that influenza-like illnesses have become widespread in Ohio; however, influenza and pneumonia have been less this year than in the recent past.

Children's Health Fair – Mrs. Hicks reported that the Children's Health Fair for third grade students in the Princeton School District, held Friday, May 13th, was a huge success. There were 22 learning centers where the students could engage in interactive activities.

Healthy U Diabetes Workshop – The six-week long free program for managing Type II Diabetes was scheduled beginning May 12; however, it will be rescheduled at a later time as there were not enough participants signed up for this session.

Latino Coalition of Southwest Ohio – 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 is working with Tri-Health, The Healing Center, The City of Sharonville Fire Department, and the City of Forest Park for the Healthy Women, Healthy Lives Program, which will be on June 4, from 08:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. 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. (Flyer included in BOH packet.)

Board of Health Discussion

There was BOH discussion on identification cards for the large Hispanic population. Mrs. Hart stated that Su Casa and Catholic Charities were holding an information event. Dr. Ketring stated that the State of Ohio does can issue ID cards based on documentation brought from their native country. Problems occur because many people work and live under an alias rather than their given name. The public health significance of this issue was also discussed.

As the BOH is going into summer recess, Mr. Clayton announced the three initiatives the SHD plans to focus on over the summer. 1. **School Supplies** - Back packs of school supplies for Heritage Hill Elementary School. Mrs. Hart pointed out that Office Depot and Staples have the lists of required school supplies for each grade – it would be easy to pick up a back pack and fill it with the necessary supplies for that student. 2. **Buckle Up for Life Ohio Program** – The Springdale HD has started working with Su Casa, Cincinnati Children's Hospital and Medical Center, the Springdale Fire Department, the Princeton School District, and the Willows of Springdale Apartments to facilitate Buckle Up for Life Ohio event to be held at Heritage Hill Elementary in September 2016. This provides car seats and the Springdale Fire Department has team members who would ensure the car seats are properly installed. 3. **Operation Give Back** – With Parks and Recreation Director Greg Karle, work to provide sports camps at Heritage Hill Elementary. This would be a joint venture with the Department of Transportation and the Food and Drug Administration, who would provide lunch and transportation. The SHD will be seeking sponsors for this program.

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The next meeting will be Thursday, September 8th, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. The Board of Health adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Matthew Clayton, Health Commissioner