

BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES
February 13, 2014

Attendees: Scott Garrison, Rita Hart, Lynn Jones, George Kellner, Jean Hicks, Cammie Mitrione, Jim Squires, Mayor Webster, Dr. Webb

Absent: Dr. Ketring

Mayor Webster introduced Janis Oxendine, the new Administrative Assistant.

The minutes of January 9, 2014 were approved.

CITY COUNCIL REPORT

Mr. Squires reported that Dr. Feinberg gave an update to Council on the Infectious Disease Program.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Infectious Disease Prevention Program

Mrs. Mitrione reported that the van is scheduled in Springdale on Mondays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Thursdays 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. There has been a lot of coverage through a UC press release, the Enquirer, WLW, Business Courier, Tri-County Press. There were no clients on Monday and today by 4:30 p.m. one person had stopped in and asked for information about drug rehab.

Mayor Webster said CMC manages the property east of the shopping plaza. The manager, Pete Montgomery, called and said that three people came in their building looking for the van. No one went to the van. Mayor Webster said Dr. Feinberg's group went in the office building and distributed pamphlets which just added fuel to the fire. He said the group needs to make peace with their neighbors. He said he is afraid CMC will go to Council and two members of Council had already voted no. He said others may change their minds. He also said Mr. Parham explained other benefits of the van to CMC and they were sympathetic but don't want the people in their offices.

Mrs. Mitrione said she got the same call from Pete Montgomery on Monday. She said she explained it was a medical van. Mrs. Mitrione said we shouldn't expect to not have some controversy.

2014 Swimming Pool Fees

REGULATION 2-2014

A REGULATION OF THE SPRINGDALE BOARD OF HEALTH AMENDING BOARD OF HEALTH REGULATION R2-2013 TO ESTABLISH FEES FOR PUBLIC SWIMMING POOLS, PUBLIC SPAS AND SPECIAL USE POOLS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY"

Mrs. Mitrione read Regulation R2-2014 by title only. No one came for the public hearing. Regulation 2-2014 passed unanimously.

Annual Report

Mrs. Mitrione shared the Health Department Annual Report with the board. The report included things such as The 6 Star Award, Infectious Disease Prevention Program, Children's Health Fair, ServSafe, smoke-free investigations and other complaints. The autism school opened in 2012 and there is one tattoo and one body piercing shop in Springdale.

Mrs. Mitrione stated they received some money from the CRI grant through Cincinnati but no PHEP money from Hamilton County.

Miscellaneous

Mrs. Mitrione said new food places for Springdale include Happy's Pizza, Aunt Millie's Breads and O'Cha Thai Restaurant.

NURSE'S REPORT

Communicable diseases

Mrs. Hicks shared information in a packet from CDC "Pertussis Frequently Asked Questions". Discussion about reasons for increase in reported cases of pertussis, the ongoing surveillance of pertussis vaccines effectiveness, and the need to have children vaccinated as infants, after the 4th birthday and again prior to entry into the 7th grade.

A copy of the Health Alert Network Advisory from CDC about the Chikungunya Virus Infections in travelers returning from the Caribbean was reviewed. It was noted that the best way that travelers can prevent this infection is by protecting themselves from mosquito bites.

Flu information

Mrs. Hicks stated influenza illnesses continue in Ohio and nationally although less than in January. So far this season there have been 282 influenza associated hospitalizations in Ohio.

Healthy U Diabetes Workshop

Mrs. Hicks said the next workshop will be February 20 – March 27, 2014. Through a partnership of Council on Aging with PERS, the notice of the workshop will be sent to persons receiving PERS. We will delay the start of the program until later in the spring if there are not enough participants.

Children's Health Fair

Mrs. Hicks reported the Children's Health Fair will be on Friday, May 9, 2014 at the Springdale Community Center. Last year, more than 500 third grade students attended and we expect that the number will be similar this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Cammie Mitrione, RS
Health Commissioner