

Springdale Board of Health
September 12, 2019

Mayor Webster called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Board of Health Members

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

Others Present

Mayor Webster; Holly Emerson, Council representative to the Board of Health
City Staff: Matt Clayton, Health Commissioner; Amy Ellis, Public Health Nurse

Minutes of the May 9, 2019 Board of Health Meeting –

Minutes of the May 9, 2019 Board of Health meeting were considered. Dr. Ketring made a motion to adopt the minutes from the May 9, 2019 meeting; Mr. Squires seconded the motion. Minutes were adopted unanimously.

City Council Report

Mrs. Emerson gave the City Council Report

May 15, 2019

Ordinance No. 12-2019

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SPRINGDALE, OHIO AND THE GLENVIEW HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC. FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A SIGN

The sign is a replacement sign after the original sign was hit. The 96 inches wide sign by 48 inches high sign was to be backlit and be in the right-of-way. This was a first reading.

Ordinance No. 15-2019

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CLERK OF COUNCIL/FINANCE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH VERMEER FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE 2018 VERMEER WOOD CHIPPER MOWER AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mrs. Emerson stated that our old wood chipper was replaced and we received a \$4,000 trade-in on the 2001 Woodsman Chipper upon purchase of the 2018 Woodsman Chipper which cost \$60,103. That passed with a 7-0 vote.

There was a proclamation for National Public Works Week, May 19th-May 25th.

June 19, 2019

There was a proclamation declaring that July was Parks and Recreation Month.

July 17, 2019

Ordinance No. 20-2019

AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 03-2019 TO REVISE THE PAY TABLE FOR FULL-TIME PART-TIME AND SEASONAL EMPLOYEES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Administration was recommending a pay rate increase for a Part-Time Property Maintenance Inspector from \$10.00-\$14.00 to \$13.00-\$21.00 per hour. This will bring the position into line with other similar part-time positions. It was also recommended that there be the creation of a Seasonal Property Maintenance Inspector at a rate of \$12.50-\$16.70 per hour. This position would be able to serve the City during the spring/summer months when property maintenance complaints are at their highest. This was a second reading. The first reading was at the June 19, 2019 Council meeting. It passed with a 6-0 vote since only six Council members were present.

Dr. Ketring had questions regarding the last time there were pay increases to the above positions. It was unclear when the last pay increase occurred.

Ordinance No. 22-2019

AUTHORIZING CONTRIBUTIONS TO CERTAIN HEALTH ACCOUNTS OF FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF SPRINGDALE RELATED TO THE CITY'S HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

The City, during the first year of the program, funded the HSA accounts at 100%. Since that initial period, the City has contributed 50% of the employees deductible for medical coverage. The Administration recommended that Council continue to fund the single and family coverage at 50% of the deductible. Contributions made to the accounts of new full-time employees would continue to be prorated consistent with the approved schedule. That passed with a 6-0 vote.

August 21, 2019

Ordinance No. 27-2019

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CLERK OF COUNCIL/FINANCE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH NEXTSTEP NETWORKING FOR TECHNICAL SUPPORT SERVICES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

While this contract has an increase and it will be for \$6,052.50 (contract for 2019-2022), this is the first increase since the 2009-2012 contract. That passed with a 7-0 vote.

Ordinance No. 28-2019

AUTHORIZING THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (ODOT) TO PROVIDE BRIDGE PROGRAM INSPECTION SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF SPRINGDALE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

ODOT (Ohio Department of Transportation) was able to secure a grant in order to inspect bridges within the City of Springdale. That passed with a 7-0 vote.

Ordinance No. 32-2019

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CLERK OF COUNCIL/FINANCE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH KERRY FORD FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO 2020 FORD EXPLORERS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

The total amount for the purchase of two 2020 Ford Explorers at Kerry Ford was lower than the state bid price. The total amount for the two cruisers from Kerry Ford was \$71,500.

Ordinance No. 33-2019

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CLERK OF COUNCIL/FINANCE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH LEBANON FORD FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO 2020 4DR AWD FORD EXPLORER POLICE PACKAGE CRUISERS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

That passed with a 7-0 vote. Two vehicles were purchased after the offer from Lebanon Ford was lower than the state bid price. The total for the two cruisers from Lebanon Ford was \$65,910.

September 4, 2019

Ordinance No. 30-2019

AN ORDINANCE CREATING SECTION 152.38 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SPRINGDALE, OHIO TO ADDRESS REGULATIONS FOR SWIMMING POOLS, SPAS AND HOT TUBS

This legislation was necessary to create Section 152.38 of the Springdale Code of Ordinances, which was included as a part of the City's Building Code, to regulate swimming pools, spas, and hot tubs. Those regulations were previously contained within the International Residential Code, but are not in the current version, requiring the City to adopt its own regulations for swimming pools, spas, and hot tubs. The City has an interest in ensuring that residents do not purposely cause the drainage of water from their swimming pool to flow onto the property of another resulting in damage. In order to prevent damage from one property owner discharging their swimming pool onto the property of another, the City requested to add a provision to be included within the newly created Section 152.38 to prohibit any water from a swimming pool or from its use to drain toward or onto adjoining properties. That passed with a 7-0 vote.

Resolution No. 13-2019

APPROVING THE NECESSITY OF ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING, AND IMPROVING CERTAIN PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CITY OF SPRINGDALE, OHIO IN COOPERATION WITH THE SUBURBAN COMMUNITIES ENERGY SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) is a financing tool that property owners can utilize to fund energy efficiency improvements. In July 2014, City Council passed a resolution in support of establishing a Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) program in Springdale, but due to a number of reasons, the program was never launched. Since that time, five of Springdale's neighboring jurisdictions have joined together to create what is called the Suburban Communities Energy Special Improvement District (ESID). Those communities are Sharonville, Loveland, Deer Park, Symmes Township, and Sycamore Township. This would provide a new way for commercial property owners within Springdale to finance energy efficiency improvements such as new HVAC, windows, lighting, and solar panels. That passed with a 7-0 vote.

Resolution No. R14-2019

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN PRUS CONSTRUCTION, INC. AND THE CITY OF SPRINGDALE RELATED TO ROAD WORK PERFORMED IN THE BEACON HILLS SUBDIVISION

Strawser Construction, (subcontracted by Prus Construction), had applied the Cape Seal to the roads in Beacon Hills Subdivision. This did not meet the City's standards and the project was unsatisfactory. The City and Prus Construction agreed to enter into a Mutual Release and Settlement Agreement related to the potential claims involving the road project. Prus Construction has agreed to pay the City of Springdale \$60,000 in the agreement.

Old Business

None

New Business

Mr. Clayton began discussion regarding the large influx of children that have been coming into the Springdale Health Department in order to receive vaccinations that are required for school. At this time, the next available appointments are in April 2020. The children that have been coming to the clinics are often from other countries and are woefully behind on their immunizations. Many children participating in the vaccination clinics at the Springdale Health Department require at least three visits each and at each visit, are receiving anywhere from three to eight vaccinations in order to get "caught up". The Springdale Health Department is receiving these vaccinations at no cost through the state-funded program Vaccines For Children (VFC) Program. However, we are unable to keep up with the ever-increasing demand. At this time, it is believed that the Springdale Health Department is the only agency that is currently not charging patients for visits.

Mr. Clayton shared that he recently reached out to other Health Departments to research the fee amounts for their immunization clinics. He spoke with Christa Easton of Hamilton County Nursing, who was directed by their Assistant Health Commissioner, Jennifer Mooney to provide the requested information to Mr. Clayton. Mr. Clayton read the following portion of the email to the Springdale Board of Health:

"People who are underinsured or have no insurance have a sliding scale fee based on income. At the most, the first vaccine would be \$28.00 and each additional vaccine given that day would be \$15.00. They would also get an additional 75% discount if they pay for the vaccines upfront. Patients with Medicaid of course don't pay anything for the vaccines."

Mr. Clayton believed that at any City of Cincinnati based health care clinic, it is \$20-\$25 per person charge when patients walk into a clinic. Nurse Ellis spoke further regarding the fees involved at the City of Hamilton. The fees were introduced approximately four years ago. With the VFC (Vaccines For Children) Program, you cannot charge for vaccines since the Health Departments are receiving the vaccinations for free, but you can charge a fee to cover the time of the medical professional administering the vaccines. Local Health Departments are also allowed to charge an administrative fee. The City of Hamilton and Butler County charge approximately \$10 a vaccine for a maximum of \$40 per child. So, if you get eight shots, you are only paying \$40. Nurse Ellis believes that Butler County also charges an "Out of County Fee" meaning, if you are not a county resident, you could be charged an additional fee.

Mr. Clayton stated that the Springdale Health Department is seeing an influx of high school students from Princeton High School. While Princeton High School does have school based health care center onsite, operated by the Healthcare Connection (a local FQHC), vaccinations are not available at that location. Mr. Clayton then proposed a \$20 administrative fee for non-residents. Nurse Ellis explained that during a recent annual visit from an ODH VFC (Vaccines For Children) representative she was advised that SHD would have to be uniform in administration of fees for Springdale residents and non-residents. However, there are different kinds of fees as was previously stated. Such as, out of county fees or out of City fees. Meaning, the Springdale Health Department could potentially have no charge for the vaccines, but have a charge for an "out of city fee" for people who are not Springdale residents. Mr. Clayton stated that due to the increase in demand over the last couple of years, this program has caused a greater budgetary concern for the Springdale Health Department. Perhaps, by creating this fee, the Springdale Health Department could reduce the demand and resolve the budgetary issue. Mr. Clayton stated that while the community health impact of the VFC clinics is substantial, operating the VFC clinics free of charge is becoming cost-prohibitive. Mr. Clayton also discussed the potential taxing effect increased numbers of clinics and longer clinic hours may have on the SHD staff members who operate the VFC clinics.

Mayor Webster stated that the reason for bringing this information to light, was to understand the opinions of the Board of Health members and to possibly see if the Board of Health members would concur on assessing a fee to any non-Springdale residents. It was agreed that Mr. Clayton would further research the amount of a fee and any further details needed. Dr. Ketring asked if there was a way to quantify the size of the burden on the Springdale Health Department. Mr. Clayton gave an example of a recent phone call that Nurse Ellis received from Princeton City Schools requesting that we see 65 ESL (English as a Second Language) students who often required a significant number of vaccinations. The Princeton ESL representative was upfront about the fact that many of these students had limited or no vaccination records. Mr. Clayton, Nurse Ellis, and Debra Boggs had a short meeting regarding SHD's potential to accommodate the 65 children. Nurse Ellis discussed the potential for the Princeton School District to assist the Springdale Health Department by having the forms filled out for 30 of the children and having the children transported to the Springdale Health Department. Mr. Clayton reminded that while filling out the forms would speed up the time required for the initial clinic, it would create an

additional demand for VFC clinic services as SHD works to get these children completely "caught up" on their vaccinations. In this scenario, there would likely need to be two to three visits (minimum) to become current on the vaccinations required by the Ohio Department of Education. Nurse Amy Ellis then scheduled the vaccination appointments for 30 of the 65 aforementioned students, per Mr. Clayton's recommendation. The specifics were detailed to representatives of the Princeton High School ESL program via email and phone calls. The Springdale Health Department (SHD) continued to receive requests for the other 35 students, via emails from various community partners. Mr. Clayton discussed the past practice of SHD conducting VFC clinics the first and third Wednesday of each month from 8 AM – 12 PM. Mr. Clayton advised that in June, July, August, and September Nurse Ellis and Debra Boggs have worked three clinics a month, usually from 8 AM – 2 PM. Mr. Clayton expressed his appreciation for the work ethic and dedication of Nurse Ellis and Mrs. Boggs. Mr. Clayton praised Nurse Ellis and Mrs. Boggs for their efforts to get more children up to date on their vaccinations as a means to protect the health of the community.

Nurse Ellis gave some statistics on how many children received vaccinations from January 1, 2019 until September 12, 2019. Thus far in 2019, SHD has seen 173 VFC clinic patients. In 2018, SHD provided vaccinations for 181 clinic patients. Excluding flu vaccines, 510 vaccines were provided through the VFC clinics in 2018. Thus far in 2019, SHD has administered 765 vaccines. Mr. Clayton reiterated that the 2018 numbers were for two clinics a month, which ran approximately four hours. In 2019, SHD commonly had three VFC clinics per month, which typically operated for six hours. Mrs. Hart questioned why the school-based health clinic at Princeton High School does not assist SHD with providing the vaccinations. The Board of Health members had a further discussion about the ability of SHD to meet the demand for vaccinations and the role community partners are playing in meeting this demand. The community partners discussed included the Healthcare Connection, the Hamilton County Health Department (operating at the Sharonville Fire Department), other local health departments, and healthcare providers in the area. Dr. Ketring suggested a cost analysis in order to find the financial impact of these clinics. Mr. Clayton committed to providing this information at the October BOH meeting. A discussion continued among the board members about the driving factors for the high demand at the SHD VFC clinics. Several board members discussed the current fees charged by other clinics and healthcare providers for vaccinations. Dr. Ketring predicted that the current high demand for the Springdale Health Department VFC clinics will continue to increase if we remain the only VFC provider in the region that offers these services without a fee. Mr. Clayton and several BOH members expressed their agreement with Dr. Ketring's statement.

Mrs. Jones asked if there needed to be a motion to have the Springdale Health Department look into charging non-residents an appropriate administrative fee; Dr. Ketring seconded the motion. Mayor Webster further suggested contacting Princeton City School District to sit down and discuss the situation. Nurse Ellis further added that, after the annual Ohio Department of Health – Vaccines For Children audit, she asked the auditor if the Springdale Health Department would be allowed to charge only non-residents. The auditor stated that that is not allowed. You must charge everyone. Mayor Webster suggested that it should first be discussed with the Springdale Law Director. Motion to have the Springdale Health Department look into charging non-residents an appropriate administrative passes unanimously.

Health Commissioner's Report

Matt Clayton

P.H.A.B. Accreditation

Mr. Clayton began with an update on the PHAB Accreditation submittal. It was submitted on Friday, September 6th. Mr. Clayton stated that, while several interns aided in getting this submittal to fruition, the largest amount of gratitude belongs to Nurse Amy Ellis, Ella Jergens, Debra Boggs, and Terry Metz for their assistance in helping to make this happen. Mr. Clayton stated that all documents had been submitted via the online portal. In order to give the Board members an idea of how many documents were submitted, Mr. Clayton explained that there was 100 measures. In some of the measures that were requested, hundreds of pages were required per measure. Mr. Clayton, with confirmation from Nurse Ellis, stated that it was easily a total of 20,000 to 50,000 documents that were submitted. Mr. Clayton further thanked Mayor Webster, the City Administration, and the Board of Health for their patience and assistance in the process as well.

The next part of the accreditation process is a Documentation Readiness Review. Once that review takes place, then a site visit will be scheduled. Mr. Clayton stated he anticipates the visit will take place in April 2020 or after. The site visit will likely involve three assessors from PHAB, who will visit the Springdale Health Department for a number of days. The individuals will likely review documents, processes, interview staff members, and meet with community partners. Mr. Clayton stated he anticipates additional requests for information during and potentially after the accreditation site visit.

After the site visit, PHAB usually outlines additional needed documents or actions in an Action Plan. If an action plan is presented to SHD, information about the documents requested and actions required will be provided to the Springdale Board of Health, as well as the City Administration. Depending on the length of the action plan, the turnaround time vary from 30 days to a few months to submit information. Once the Action is submitted, then the Board votes "yes", "no", or "yes, if you finish these items". Mr. Clayton stated that he felt optimistic that the Springdale Health Department will achieve PHAB accreditation.

Dr. Ketring stated that, while many individuals deserved credit for their hard work during the accreditation process, Mr. Clayton also deserved credit as well. Mrs. Hart asked how often the accreditation process has to reoccur. Mr. Clayton stated that while there is an initial accreditation payment of \$14,000, the annual accreditation fee would be \$5,600. The accreditation is good for five years. However, the plans and processes that were submitted for accreditation, will then be on a continual cycle to be improved or enhanced during those five years. However, the work load will be significantly reduced compared to the initial accreditation process.

Mr. Clayton stated that the Springdale Health Department is in the process of completing a community health assessment update with the assistance of a UC graduate student, Raven Tentman. Raven is a Springdale resident, who is working on her Master's Degree in Public Health, specializing in Epidemiology. Mr. Clayton stated he anticipates that the Springdale CHA will be completed in early 2020. Mr. Clayton stated that the CHA will be used in the Strategic Planning process in 2020. From strategic planning, SHD will move on to the development of an updated Community Health Improvement Plan.

Nuisances, Animal Bites, and Food Illnesses

Mr. Clayton provided a summary of complaints since the last meeting; individual complaints were included in the Board of Health packet. The Board of Health noticed a pattern developing of complaints from several locations, such as The Willows for housing complaints, and Days Inn for multiple issues. Mr. Clayton would further explain issues at the Days Inn later in his report. It was noted that dog bites had increased. This is a common occurrence during the summer months.

Springdale Hotel/Motel Committee

Mr. Clayton stated that SHD recently held a pre-administrative hearing for the Days Inn on Glensprings. Mr. Clayton stated the he plans to focus on conducting pre-administrative hearings for those hotels which are non-compliant for the remainder of 2019 and 2020. Mr. Clayton stated that he will seek the input of other City of Springdale departments and the State Fire Marshall's office for future pre-administrative hearings for hotels and motels. Mr. Clayton discussed the critical role of the State Fire Marshall's office because they hold a license for each hotel in the state. Mr. Clayton discussed the aid the Springdale Health Department can potentially receive by involving these key partners in SHD's efforts to resolve chronic issues at local hotels. The Board of Health members requested that Mr. Clayton keep them informed regarding progress at the Days Inn as well as any additional pre-administrative hearings for hotels in the community. Mr. Clayton advised that the minutes from the recent Days Inn pre-administrative hearing will be forthcoming.

Medicaid Administrative Claiming (MAC) Program

Recant MAC time study was from August 5, 2019 through August 11, 2019. Reimbursement of \$10,108 anticipated. Next MAC time study in November 2019. Mr. Clayton is hopeful that, after accreditation the Springdale Health Department will be able to generate more revenue by the Springdale Health Department becoming a Vital Statistics Department which involves the issuance of Birth and Death Certificates.

Food Program

Habaneros Mexican Restaurant (the old Macaroni Grill), located at 925 E. Kemper Road, opened in August 2019. A new restaurant at 370 Glensprings Drive (the old Beef O'Brady's/Perkins) will open soon as Las Islas Marias Mexican Seafood. The owners of Las Islas are also the owners of the Las Delicias supermarket just off of Northland Blvd. Culver's Frozen Custard has expressed interest in a location at Cassinelli Square. DJ's Sports Tavern on Glensprings Drive has a sale pending. Mariscos Lindo Nayarit and Blue Agave traded locations. Blue Agave has not yet opened. SMOQ on Pictoria Drive closed in July 2019. ServSafe Training will be on October 22-23, 2019 at the Springdale Municipal Building.

Public Health Emergency Preparedness

Tristate Medical Reserve Corps Annual Summit is scheduled for September 21, 2019. Nurse Ellis will be attending the summit. PHEP pandemic influenza tabletop exercise scheduled for October 18, 2019. The Ohio State University will be providing zoonotic disease outbreak tabletop training on September 27, 2019.

School Supply and Book Bag Drive

The 2019 Book Bag and School Supply Drive concluded on Monday, August 12, 2019. Donations were received from MediSync, Humana, Cincom, Ohio BWC, Costco, and Macy's. Last year's drive, which was the first year, consisted of all items fitting into one vehicle. This year, the items fit into a truck, and two City vehicles. Mr. Clayton emphasized that the donations increased at least four fold from the previous year. When the City of Springdale representatives arrived at the school, it was discovered that Costco had donated 500 book bags for children in need at the Princeton City School District. Mr. Clayton advised that Macy's donated a significant amount of school supplies. It was estimated that enough items were donated to serve over 700 children in need at the Princeton City School District. Mr. Clayton advised that the Principal of Heritage Hill Elementary received the donated items. Mr. Clayton understood that she would distribute the items to children in need at Heritage Hill, Springdale, and Stewart Elementary schools. Mr. Clayton advised City Administrator John Jones, Ella Jergens of SHD, and Brandon Slater of Public Works were instrumental in the process of receiving and transporting the donated items.

Springdale Offering Support Annual Euchre Tournament Fundraiser

Mr. Clayton stated that he is currently receiving donations from local businesses for items to raffle off at the Euchre Tournament. It will be held on Saturday, October 5, 2019 from 6:00 to 11:00 p.m. at the Springdale Community Center.

Produce Pop Ups

The most recent Produce Pop Up was held on Friday, August 30, 2019 at the Heritage Hill Elementary School. Food was provided for 200 families. Canned foods and produce were distributed to families in need. The next event is scheduled for Friday, September 27th at 9:30 AM.

Ohio EPA 2019 Mosquito Control Grant

Successful mosquito surveillance, collection and public education campaigns were conducted over the summer. The Springdale Health Department will continue to submit mosquito samples to the state lab in September 2019. West Nile virus positive mosquito pools were very low in Ohio for 2019, compared to previous years. None were identified in Springdale from May through August 2019. Mrs. Emerson asked if the pool collection areas were the same as last year. Mr. Clayton indicated that they were.

Public Transportation Initiative

The leadership of the City of Springdale met with representatives from SORTA several times over the spring and summer of 2019 to discuss public transportation needs in Springdale. SORTA proposed additional Metro bus services in the Springdale community. Unique services will be offered to the City of Springdale due to continuing efforts of Mr. Clayton and the City Administration, pending the success of a county wide tax levy currently sought by SORTA to support the METRO bus services.

Health Fairs in Springdale

Springdale Health Department participated in the Cincom Health Fair on August 20, 2019. The Springdale Health Department will also participate in the Humana Health Fair on October 9, 2019.

Public Health Nurse's Report

Mrs. Ellis, RN

Hamilton County Drug Overdose Report –

The Springdale Fire Department did not give a Naloxone usage amount for June 2019, so the hope is that it means that there was no Naloxone usage for June 2019. The July 2019 Naloxone usage amount was zero, while the Springdale Fire Department reported a Naloxone usage of five for August 2019. Nurse Ellis is looking for further clarification from the Fire Department due to five separate entries with dates, but also differences in mg doses. Nurse Ellis is looking for further clarification as to how many people it was given to as well as the exact amounts. There was also an uptick in the amount of overdoses in August.

The Hamilton County Heroin Coalition sent out a Public Health alert on August 11, 2019 regarding overdose activity. The elevation in emergency department (ED) visits and 911 dispatches were the reasons for the elevation. This Public Health alert was included in the Board of Health members' packets. Another alert that was included was from Springdale Chief of Police, Mike Mathis that was received on May 30. It was also mentioned that another alert that came in the day of the meeting, September 12, 2019.

Annual Health Fair

It is scheduled for October 1, 2019. Walgreens will be providing flu vaccines to senior citizens. The Springdale Health Department will be providing flu vaccines to all employees and their immediate families. Tri State Medical Reserve Corp (TMRC) will be providing information at the health fair. Nurse Ellis will also be speaking during Active Aging week at the Springdale Community Center regarding Emergency Preparedness for seniors. Nurse Ellis also invited the March of Dimes organization as well as Hamilton County Solid Waste and Recycling. She had not heard back from those organizations as of yet. Nurse Ellis was hoping that nursing students from Xavier University, as well as ATA would be able to help with blood pressure checks and BMI screenings. Miracle Ear will also be coming to perform hearing exams. Buckeye Fly Fishermen will also be in attendance. They also came to the Children's Fair.

Latino Expo 2019

The Latino Expo will be coming up on Sunday, October 6, 2019 from 12:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. It will be located at Heritage Hill Elementary School. Nurse Ellis stated that she will be there to provide flu vaccines to uninsured individuals. There will be an audiologist, a dentist providing dental exams. Dr. Christine Oday is a UC Health Professor and has medical students that are bilingual who will be providing a discussion on women's health as well as providing blood pressure screenings and BMI as well as assisting with flu vaccines.

Emergency Preparedness Summit

The Tri State Medical Reserve Corp Annual Summit will be held on September 21, 2019. The summit will include flood cleanup, pet CPR, and general first aid. There will be a discussion on the 5/3 shooting last year, as well as on the Dayton/Montgomery County tornado response.

Hamilton County Public Health Communicable Disease Monthly Report

Monthly reports included for June and July 2019 as well as the weekly reports for August 2019. The uptick in communicable diseases in Springdale corresponded with the uptick in Hamilton County as well. In July, Hamilton County was presenting more cases of shigellosis, salmonellosis, and pertussis. There

was three cases of shigellosis in Springdale; two were within the same family and the other case was a family member that lived in a different household.

An interesting case the Nurse Ellis discussed was CPCRE (carbapenem producing carbapenem-resistant enterobacteriaceae), also known as a "super bug", meaning that not many antibiotics can treat it. Nurse Ellis stated that, after working 18.5 years for the City of Hamilton, she had never seen one before. The case listed above is a suspect case. Most bacteria can be spread by blood or fluids or invasive procedures. This suspect case involves a catheter. When doing research for this case, (and any other cases involving a "super bug"), it is required that the researcher to find if there has been any invasive procedures within the last five years. Fortunately, this individual was not in a long-term care facility or nursing home. Unfortunately, researchers are required to treat it as a confirmed case until it is otherwise discovered not to be, so, research still needs to be completed.

Nurse Ellis included an updated list (as of August 1, 2019), "Know Your ABC's: A Quick Guide to Reportable Infectious Diseases in Ohio". The changes included Yellow Fever is no longer in the Class A category. The other is Salmonellosis is now broken out into two additional categories in the Class B section; the Typhi infection (typhoid fever). An addition to the Class B category is Candida auris. Candida auris is known as a "super fungus". Nurse Ellis also included a health alert from the Ohio Department of Health stating that severe pulmonary disease is associated with "vaping". Nurse Ellis included a report regarding the baiting of wild animals, especially raccoons and vaccinating with a rabies vaccine, as well as a CDC Health Advisory regarding a nationwide shortage of tuberculin skin test antigens.

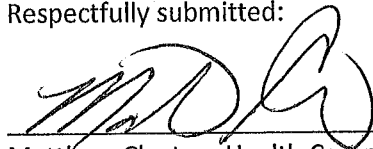
Nurse Ellis discussed a case of an individual who was referred by a local doctor. The individual had an elevated lead level in an adult. The adult was a pregnant female. Nurse Ellis contacted the Ohio Department of Health to verify if there was any different procedures when testing lead levels in adults versus testing lead levels in children. The female's level was at 10. While, not considered high, five and above for children is considered high. The major concern was due to the pregnancy that it could be passed in utero to the baby. After speaking to the Ohio Department of Health, it is believed that this individual did not receive the lead poisoning in Springdale during the eight months that she has lived here, but that she was exposed to lead in Guatemala; which is still considered to have very high lead levels due to lax regulations in that country. Nurse Ellis stated that she will be treating this case as a child with lead. She will be doing the follow up work, will ask of possible risk exposures, so as to avoid any further exposure to lead. It is also necessary to stay in touch with the individual so that she, and her baby will receive follow-up testing. Testing can be completed right after birth. Dr. Ketring asked if the mother is currently receiving pre-natal care. Nurse Ellis stated that she is now. The original referral came from Dr. Oday, who Nurse Ellis is working with at the Latino Expo Health Fair. At Dr. Oday's office, they instituted a plan a few years ago to test for lead for any individuals who came from a foreign country. This was the first test that resulted in a positive for lead. It was a venous test, not a finger stick. While at the level of 10, there will not be treatment, simply prevention to not increase lead exposure any further and education.

Board of Health Discussion

No items for discussion.

The next meeting will be Thursday, October 4, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. The Board of Health meeting adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Clayton', written over a horizontal line.

Matthew Clayton, Health Commissioner