



Springdale Board of Health
March 12, 2020

Mayor Webster called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Board of Health Members

Present: 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

Mayor Webster had several announcements. Mayor Webster stated that it would be Lynn Jones last meeting as a member of the Board of Health. Mayor Webster stated that Lynn Jones was one of the first people he appointed to a Commission or a Board when he was elected Mayor in 1995. He stated that he appreciated all of her contributions to the City of Springdale as well as the Board of Health and presented her with a Good Citizens Award (applause).

Mayor Webster stated that while he was sad to see Lynn Jones leaving the Board, he did have another potential Board member that would be observing this meeting. Her name is Carol Quinlan-Hall. She is a retired nurse and is qualified to serve on the Board of Health.

Mayor Webster suggested to Mr. Clayton that perhaps the Board spend some time in an open discussion for any questions regarding COVID-19. Mr. Clayton opened the discussion with a status report that the Springdale Health Department has been talking with the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) and ODH has been working in conjunction with the Governor's Office. Mr. Clayton stated that the Governor's Summit he attended last Thursday had Governor Dewine in attendance, as well as his entire cabinet, Amy Acton, Director of Health and her top leadership was there. Local health departments across the state were represented and most of the Health Commissioners were there as well. This summit was to discuss COVID-19. Governor Dewine spoke as well as Dr. Amy Acton, which was followed by a webinar with the Surgeon General of United States.

Mr. Clayton gave an explanation of COVID-19. Mr. Clayton explained that COVID-19 began here in the United States due to individuals traveling abroad and returning to the United States. In Ohio, as of Monday, March 9th, there were three cases. Prior to those cases, testing was still being done at the laboratory at the Center for Disease Control (CDC) in Atlanta, GA. Then the Federal government sent out test kits to the State health departments, which amounted to about 1,000 test kits in late February. Once the State of Ohio was established to do testing, those first three individuals were tested with Ohio test kits. Those three individuals were from Cuyahoga County, which is around the Cleveland area, and as previously stated were travel cases.

The fourth case was a 53 year old male from Stark County, which is two counties down from Cuyahoga (county). This was the first case of community spread, or person-to-person transmission. This was not an individual who had travelled, he had just come into contact with someone who had it. At this time, there are 24 people who met the requirement of "person under investigation". This means that they are individuals who showing symptoms and they have been tested. At this point, we are waiting for the test results to find out if they are positive for COVID-19. If some of those cases, and the four cases that are already known are positive, then every individual who has come into contact with them would increase contact points for COVID-19. As of March 11, the amount of individuals being followed by the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) was 255. Mr. Clayton stated that with only 1,000 test kits available in Ohio, he believes that some controls in the testing process. When this testing occurs, there are multiple samples that need to be created initially. There is the control sample, the duplicate sample, and the blank sample, which will be used for quality control in order to make those tests legitimate and then a duplicate test to verify if it truly is positive.

Mr. Clayton stated that the webinar with the Surgeon General discussed multiple items, but did stress the federal priority to get more test kits to the states as well as more personal protective equipment (PPE). While the City of Springdale is prepared with some PPE, it does not have test kits. Mrs. Emerson asked why the Springdale Health Department does not have test kits. Mr. Clayton stated that they have not been provided to us by the federal government. Initially the test kits are given at the state level, and once the State would have an abundance, then they would distribute locally within the State. The State of Ohio is not to that point yet. In the news conference with the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) Director, Amy Acton, she believes that up to one percent of Ohioans could already have COVID-19. Mr. Clayton emphasized that while risk is relatively small for most Ohioans, it is a respiratory illness that can have very severe respiratory concerns and it really matters for our senior population in Springdale.

Mr. Clayton announced what Governor Dewine stated in an earlier news conference today, March 12 that all schools will be closing for the next three weeks. Children would have a greater potential to carry COVID-19, and not show symptoms. With the possibility of the annual Children's Fair coming up in May, and many seniors volunteering at this fair, there will be discussion in the weeks ahead if it should still be held.

Mr. Clayton stated that the Springdale Health Department has been striving to send out updated information regarding COVID-19. Mr. Clayton stated that he has been sending out updates to Department Directors as well as elected officials per Mayor Webster's request. Mrs. Emerson asked if this information was also being sent out to local businesses. Mr. Clayton stated that he received permission from Springdale City Administrator, John Jones to send out to members of the Springdale Quality of Life Committee, members of the Springdale Coalition of Churches, as well as members of the Springdale Hotel Motel Committee. There also was an excellent opportunity to get the information out to the alumni members of the Springdale Citizens Police Academy as well as to the Springdale Seniors Group. Mr. Clayton stated that the President of the Senior Group reached out to him and let Mr. Clayton know that he was forwarding that information to the other members of the senior group. Mayor Webster followed up by stating that all senior activities have been cancelled at the Springdale Recreation Center. Mr. Clayton stated that the Spring Sports Camp has also been postponed until possibly sometime this summer. The Public Health training that was to be held at the Recreation Center has also been postponed until

October at this time. There is also a strong possibility that the Children's Health Fair will be cancelled this year.

Mr. Clayton proceeded to share with the Board of Health members various informative documents that are being handed out to Springdale Department Directors. Discussion continued regarding testing and potential stay-at-home measures in the future. Dr. Ketring asked how long the organism can live outside the body. It was discussed that it can be on a surface for two to three days. Because of this, it was agreed that hand washing is still considered one of the most important measures to help prevent spread of COVID-19. Ms. Quinlan-Hall asked Mr. Clayton what a Springdale resident should do if they think that they might have it. Mr. Clayton stated that they follow up with their physician, describe their symptoms, and then the physician can make the recommendation if they should be tested. However, the decision as to who will be tested will be primarily from the Ohio Department of Health (ODH). Mr. Clayton stated to the Board of Health that the Springdale Health Department has an informational binder with all pertinent updates regarding COVID-19.

Board members asked if a plan was in place if testing did become available at the Springdale Health Department. Mr. Clayton stated that there was not a plan in place at this time, but would keep the Board of Health posted if testing kits did become available to the Springdale Health Department. Board of Health members voiced concerns regarding delay of testing kits across the state and country. Dr. Ketring asked why, after so many emergency preparedness meetings the State was not better prepared. While the City and other jurisdictions are prepared, if an emergency situation, similar to this happens to all communities at the same time, that is when resources are stretched beyond their limits. Many faith-based resources are stepping up at this time to assist in response.

Ms. Quinlan-Hall asked if there were any issues with senior living communities at this time. Mayor Webster stated that Mapleknoll Village is currently enforcing a lockdown. Outside people are only allowed to enter if there is a dire situation, such as life or death. Mr. Clayton stated that a preventionist from Mapleknoll called and the Springdale Health Department provided him with information. Dr. Ketring asked the Springdale Health Department is prepared to determine if an individual should be in isolation (if diagnosed) or quarantine (if around a person who was diagnosed). Dr. Ketring asked if an individual meets all the guidelines for isolation, where would be the best location for that person to be. Mr. Clayton stated that at their residence would be the best place to isolate. If possible, recovery at home would best in order to save the hospitals for the critically ill. Discussion continued regarding people in isolation and their needs.

Mrs. Emerson asked if first responders have had to go to any homes with respiration issues. A directive was sent out early on in this situation asking the call centers that if they had respiratory distress that they can ask the individual some key questions such as, "Have you traveled to China in the last 14 days?" Once that got some traction, it was adopted statewide. Once that question, among others has been answered, the first responders can then make the decision if additional equipment is needed to respond to the situation.

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Minutes of the February 13, 2020 Board of Health Meeting

Minutes of the February 13, 2020 Board of Health meeting were considered. Mr. Squires made a motion to accept the minutes of the February 13, 2020 meeting; Dr. Ketring seconded. The minutes were accepted unanimously.

City Council Report

Mrs. Emerson gave the City Council Report.

February 19, 2020

There was a swearing in ceremony for Springdale Police Chief Thomas Wells. The Color Guard and a large audience of individuals attended the ceremony.

Ordinance No. 7-2020

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE FRED A. NEMANN CO. FOR THE LANDAN LANE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

This was to completely remove the existing pavements and curbs and replace them with asphalt pavement and concrete curbs. Reconstruction of catch basins, manhole adjustments, and drive apron replacements will be performed as necessary. The cost for repairs is \$292,308.50. That passed with a 6-0 vote.

Ordinance No. 8-2020

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE JOHN R. JURGENSEN CO. FOR THE BEACON HILLS SUBDIVISION STREET GRIND AND RESURFACE PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

This subdivision was done last year and it was an overlay which was unsatisfactory. Prus Construction had subcontracted to Strawser Construction and now Jurgensen will do the work for a cost of \$649,341. That passed with a 6-0 vote.

Ordinance No. 9-2020

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE, OHIO LABOR COUNCIL FOR THE FULL-TIME SERGEANTS AND LIEUTENANTS IN THE SPRINGDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

That passed with a 6-0 vote.

March 4, 2020

There was no legislation at this meeting.

Old Business - None

New Business - None

Health Commissioner's Report

Matt Clayton

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.

Mr. Clayton asked if any Board members had questions on any of the complaints or the animal bite included in their packets. Dr. Ketring asked if there was anything worth noting further regarding O'Charley's inspections. Mr. Clayton noted that while the restaurant has had multiple managers, but Ella Jergens, the inspector, seemed to feel that this manager was prepared to do the necessary work. Mr. Squires asked about different codes that are on the inspection forms. Mr. Clayton explained where they were located and what they stood for.

Mr. Clayton discussed with the Board a recent survey inspection by the Ohio Department of Health for Food Service Operations (FSO). A few days were spent examining files and a few days were spent with Mr. Clayton and Ella Jergens in the field for inspections. The field portion went well, there were some concerns regarding temporary licenses. As Board members were already aware, some resolutions were passed to accommodate necessary corrections to fee schedules. It was noted in the survey that a \$28 fee to the State of Ohio had not been paid. Because of this, the Springdale Health Department was placed on provisional status. The provisional status is normally a temporary situation until the \$28 fee is resolved. However, if it is not resolved, another survey in six months would be required. Mr. Clayton stated again that he felt the survey would not be necessary because this would be resolved quickly.

Mayor Webster noted that The Willows apartment complex has recently been purchased and is now called the Park at Springdale. Mr. Clayton discussed the major renovations that the new owners would be completing.

P.H.A.B. Accreditation -

Mr. Clayton stated that the accreditation group came back and requested additional documentation on 38 of the 100 measures, and the Springdale Health Department was working on that. Mr. Clayton stated that while it does sound like a lot, quite a bit of it is further explanations and narratives. The Springdale Health Department then has 30 days to complete the request.

Medicaid Administrative Claiming (MAC) Program

Most recent time study was from February 24 through March 1. Mr. Clayton indicated that the Springdale Health Department is still in the process of finalizing the time study requirements, but hopes to have a dollar amount by the next meeting.

Food Program -

Mr. Clayton noted several restaurant plan approvals that were in process at this time. La Islas Marias on Glensprings Drive is currently awaiting Metropolitan Sewer District (MSD), and Hamilton County Public

Health (HCPH) review of grease interceptor. Caraba's, African cuisine is currently working with Springdale Town Center management on a plan revision. El Oasis Mexican Grille saw their revisions approved on February 25, 2020. The owner will be scheduling a walk through. Gold Star Chili on Springfield Pike had their remodel plans approved on February 12, 2020. Wing Stop which will be located in the Wimbledon Plaza had their plans approved on February 21, 2020. Mi Tierra has plans for an addition of a bar. Those were approved on February 4, 2020. Other proposed revisions are pending at this time.

Produce Pop Ups

While the latest Produce Pop was held on February 28, 2020 at Heritage Hill Elementary, the upcoming Produce Pop Ups that were to be located at the school are now cancelled.

Springdale Quality of Life Committee

While planning for the Spring Sports Camp continues, it will now be held at a later date, possibly over the summer. Communication to the children and their parents would become an issue at that time however if it was held over the summer.

Springdale Hotel/Motel Committee

Meeting was held on March 6, 2020. However with the COVID-19 concerns and daily work from that, Mr. Clayton stated that he was unable to have a typed update on the meeting at this time. Mr. Clayton did state that there was discussion on fire alarms. Since these are almost all older hotels, the smoke detectors do not go to a panel board. Retro-fitting the smoke detectors with the updates would be cost-prohibitive at this time, however there are wireless smoke detectors that can report back to a main panel at this time, but they are extremely expensive as well.

Springdale Mosquito Control Program 2020

The Springdale Health Department applied for a \$20,000 OEPA (Ohio Environmental Protection Agency) Mosquito Control Grant. There has not been an update yet as to if Springdale Health Department has been awarded it at this time. Mrs. Emerson asked the approximate date that the Springdale Health Department would know of approval. Mr. Clayton did promotional items to help promote the program and will be purchasing more mosquito dunks in preparation if the grant is not received. Mr. Clayton stated possibly in April he would know of grant approval.

Public Health Training in Springdale

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the previous presenters from ODA and ODH will not be able to attend the training as well as the gathering would be considered too large by current standards, the training will now be presented possibly in October 2020 or November 2020.

Humana Community Partner Meeting

Meeting was held March 3, 2020. The discussed potential volunteer opportunities for Humana employees to increase health screenings and health education in the community. The meeting was attended by Humana, Princeton Schools, Springdale faith based community, Healthcare Connection, and several City departments.

Public Health Nurse's Report

Mrs. Ellis, RN

Nurse Ellis was unable to attend the March Board of Health meeting. Mr. Clayton gave a brief summary of her report findings.

Narcan Usage

Report from the Springdale Fire Department as of February 22, 2020 states that 4mg of Narcan was used

Hamilton County Drug Overdose Report

This report was included in the Springdale Board of Health members' packets.

Communicable Disease Report

Mr. Clayton stated the findings most relative to the City of Springdale for the month of February 2020. Springdale had three cases of Chlamydia, one case of Shigellosis, and five cases of hospitalized influenza.

Influenza

Report was included in Board of Health members' packets for the time period of February 16th through February 22nd 2020.

ODH Health Advisory

Increased cases of Disseminated Gonococcal Infections (DGI) was included in the Nurse's report for Board of Health members.

Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

A large amount of the most up-to-date information regarding COVID-19 was included in packets to Board of Health members.

Items included were as follows:

ODH Health Alert February 28, 2020

- Summaries of conference calls with ODH since January 28, 2020
- Updated information posted to City of Springdale's Facebook page
- Guidance specific to Police Departments shared with Springdale Police Department
- Southwest Ohio Public Health Region Health Commissioners created Public Health Advisory on the Criteria to Guide Evaluation of PUI for COVID-19
(Sent to regional healthcare providers)
- SHD Health Commissioner created letter to Springdale parents of school aged children to address COVID-19
(Emailed to Springdale schools and daycares)
(Posted to Facebook)
- Governor's Summit on Covid-19 Preparedness held in Columbus on March 5, 2020
- COVID-19 Regional Epidemiologist Disease Investigator (REDI) conference call
- COVID-19 presentation to Springdale Senior's Club on March 10, 2020

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Children's Health Fair

While it is still scheduled to be held on May 1, 2020, it is looking likely to be cancelled due to the amount of children in close proximity and the senior population that often volunteers at this event.

Board of Health Discussion

No items for discussion.

The next meeting will be Thursday, April 9, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. The Board of Health meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Matthew Clayton, Health Commissioner