

**LORAIN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH
BOARD OF HEALTH**

Meeting Minutes for March 11, 2020

Present:

Prefix	Name and Credentials	Position
Dr.	William A. Spreng, DVM	President
Dr.	Timothy Beidleman	Member
Dr.	Grant D. Cornick, DO	Member
Mr.	Thomas G. Eschtruth	Member
Mr.	William Gardner	Member
Dr.	Eric Lockhart, MD	Member
Mr.	Edward X. McNamara	Member
Mr.	Max T. Schaefer	Member
Mr.	Edward von Hofen	Member

Guests:

Assistant County Prosecutor, LCPH staff members

The President called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes from the Last Regular Meeting on February 12, 2020

The President requested a review of the February 2020 regular meeting minutes. Mr. Gardner moved to approve the minutes. Dr. Lockhart seconded the motion. Upon voice vote, all members voting aye, the President declared the motion passed.

Financial Report

#2020-16

Mrs. Deborah Chavez provided the financial update. LCPH collected 14% of receipts, and expenses were 18%. The monthly report included a state subsidy for being an accredited health department, Medicaid Administrative Claiming reimbursement, and funds collected from food service licensing. Funds for coronavirus response will be coming from the state. Mr. Gardner moved to approve the financial report. Dr. Lockhart seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all members voting aye, the President declared the motion passed.

2021 Budget

#2020-17

Mrs. Chavez and Mr. Dave Covell gave an overview of the 2021 budget, which will be brought to the District Advisory Council pending approval from the Board of Health. The budget will be adjusted in November 2020. The budget includes additional payments for the new building. There was discussion on the financing for the new building and the 2021 budget in general. Mr. McNamara moved to approve the 2021 budget. Mr. Schaefer seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all members voting aye, the President declared the motion passed.

Out-of-County Travel

#2020-18

Mr. McNamara moved to approve the out-of-county travel. Mr. Schaefer seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all members voting aye, the President declared the motion passed.

Contracts

#2020-19

Mr. Covell reviewed the following with the Board of Health:

- All Over Media contract for medication advertising
- Title X Reproductive Health and Wellness subgrantee contract
- HIV Prevention Agreement with Cuyahoga County Board of Health
- Contract employee for the drug repository

Mr. Chris Pyanowski, Legal Counsel, discussed the HIV Prevention Agreement and requested the elimination of paragraph 6 when making a motion to approve.

Mr. McNamara moved to approve contracts with the removal of paragraph 6 in the HIV Prevention Agreement. Mr. Schaefer seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all members voting aye, the President declared the motion passed.

Safe Routes to School Resolution

#2020-20

A resolution was created to authorize the City of Oberlin to apply for a Safe Routes to School grant. Mr. Schaefer moved to approve the resolution. Dr. Beidleman seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all members voting aye, the President declared the motion passed.

Preparedness CEU Session

Mr. Covell gave a .5-hour CEU on preparedness surrounding COVID-19. He gave general information about the virus; identified high-risks groups; and shared the two-prong strategy - slowing the virus and protecting the target populations. He also gave an update on COVID-19 in Ohio and measures LCPH has taken so far to prepare partners and protect residents. Up-to-date resources will be available on the LCPH website, and we encourage staff and residents to refer to those.

Legal Services Report

Mr. Pyanowski gave a brief update on the sewer cases, which were filed at the Prosecutor's Office the Monday following February's Board of Health meeting. Mr. Covell and he also talked about the quarantine process for COVID-19. Mr. Schaefer moved to approve the Legal Services report. Mr. McNamara seconded the motion. Upon voice vote, all members voting aye, the President declared the motion passed.

Health Commissioner's Report

Mr. Covell discussed the obsolete inventory list, which included items brought over from the new building that were not needed. Board of Health members received a printed copy of the list to review at the meeting. If approved, the list would go out for bid for 30 days.

Obsolete Inventory List

#2020-21

Mr. Schaefer moved to approve the obsolete inventory list. Dr. Beidleman seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all members voting aye, the President declared the motion passed.

Following approval of the obsolete inventory list, Mr. Covell continued with his report. The District Advisory Council Meeting is Thursday, March 12, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. in the Community Room of LCPH. Dr. Cornick is on the agenda to continue as a Board of Health member for another 5-year term.

An LCPH staff member created a video of drone footage of the new building construction and old building demolition. This video will also be shared at the District Advisory Council Meeting.

Mr. Covell also gave an update on the Deputy Health Commissioner search. The Quality Assurance Team will begin the process of selecting applicants, and those will move to the Board of Health subcommittee.

Mr. Gardner moved to approve the Health Commissioner’s report. Mr. Schaefer seconded the motion. Upon voice vote, all members voting aye, the President declared the motion passed.

Comments

Dr. Spreng commented public health was started because of the Spanish Flu outbreak in 1918. COVID-19 is a chance for public health to show how well we can respond.

Mr. von Hofen applauded the 2019 Annual Report and thanked staff for their efforts.

Dr. Spreng requested Board of Health members receive an email every few days during the COVID-19 response to keep them informed. Mr. Covell will have the Health Promotion Division work with Mrs. Stephanie Lesco to ensure the Board of Health receives this information.

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Schaefer moved to adjourn. Dr. Lockhart seconded the motion. The President declared the meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Attest:

President: _____

Secretary: _____