

LUCAS COUNTY REGIONAL HEALTH DISTRICT
Board of Health Meeting
Lucas County Public Library – Main Branch
June 23, 2022
Meeting Minutes

I. **Swearing in of New Board Member**

Kevin Pituch swore in Board Member, Jered Wilson, representing the City of Toledo.

II. **Call to Order and Roll Call**

Ted Kaczorowski, President, called the meeting to order at 8:35 AM. A Roll Call was taken of Board Members for attendance:

Present: Ted Kaczorowski, David Karmol, Paul Komisarek, Richard Munk, MD, Susan Postal, Johnathon Ross, MD, Barbara Sarantou, Donna Woodson, MD, Jered Wilson

Excused: Michelle Schultz, Amr Elaskary will arrive late

III. **Introduction of Guests**

Mike Judin, AFSCME, and Kevin Pituch, Lucas County Prosecutor's Office

Staff and Others: Eric Zgodzinski, DrPH, Daniel Cadigan, MD, Tina Stokes, Madeline Hojnacki, David Welch, Shannon Jones, Jennifer Gottschalk, Andrea Binz, Alice Dargartz, Cathy Nearhood, Jessica Poupard

IV. **Additions/Deletions to Agenda**

Dr. Woodson asked Dr. Zgodzinski to discuss the upcoming flu season.

Dr. Zgodzinski asked to move the Gun Violence discussion to New Business from the Health Commissioner's Comments.

Amr Elaskary arrived at 8:45 am

V. **Approval of Board of Health Meeting Minutes**

(Resolution 2022.06.097) A motion was made by Dr. Munk and seconded by David Karmol to approve the minutes of the May 26, 2022 Board of Health Meeting as presented. Motion carried; 10 Yeas, 0 Nays.

VI. **Legal Update – Kevin Pituch**

Mr. Pituch reported on a case of a person in Lucas County with active Tuberculosis (TB) who has been non-compliant with taking the prescribed course of treatment. Mr. Pituch cited the statute that pertains to TB (ORC §339) and gave a brief history of TB in the law. Mr. Pituch petitioned the court, on our behalf, for an injunction to compel the patient undergo the appropriate testing and treatment. He has not been compliant with that injunction. The Health Department does have the ability to issue a Public Health Order to have the person detained if they pose a threat to public health. We are working through that process with all parties who may be involved,

including the Court, the LC Sheriff's Office and the Lucas County Jail. Once the patient is located, we can start working to make sure he is detained and treatment can start. Dr. Cadigan explained the course of treatment that will be prescribed to the patient and what he must do. Staff has been in contact with ODH and CDC to make sure everything is done that needs to be.

VII. Medical Director's Report – Dr. Daniel Cadigan

- Dr. Cadigan reported that Maddie & Crystal have done a great job with this on-going and complicated TB issue.
- We are continuing to deal with backordered drugs in our pharmacy and are looking at alternate suppliers. This is a nationwide problem.
- Working with the NP with coding and chart audits. Doing exceptionally well.
- Bi-Annual chart audits will be done soon too.

VIII. Executive Session

Ted Kaczorowski asked for a motion to go into Executive Session to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee pursuant to (G)(1) of section 121.22 of the Revised Code.

(Resolution 2022.06.098) Motion was made by Dr. Munk and seconded by Paul Komisarek to enter into Executive Session at 9:07 AM. Motion carried, 10 Yeas, 0 Nays

(Resolution 2022.06.099) Motion was made by Dr. Ross and seconded by Paul Komisarek to return to regular session at 9:54 AM. Motion carried, 8 Yeas, 0 Nays (David Karmol and Barbara Sarantou were out of the room at the vote)

Ted Kaczorowski stated that there was no action taken during the Executive Session.

IX. Committee Reports

A. Personnel Committee – Barbara Sarantou

The Personnel Committee met on Tuesday, June 21, 2022

- 1) The Personnel Committee discussed and recommends the appointment of the following:
 - a. Natalie Mockensturm, Environmental Health Tech
 - b. Zachary Barr, Environmental Health Specialist –in-Training
 - c. Dyana Newton, Public Health Nurse-ATI
 - d. Emily Collins, Community & Disaster Response Planner
 - e. Loressa Gonyer, Community & Disaster Response Planner
 - f. Teresa DeTano, Epidemiologist – OEI
 - g. Sheronda Davis, Social Worker NOSS
 - h. Patrick Ngum, Quality Improvement Coordinator
 - i. Emily Nunn, Quality Improvement Coordinator
 - j. Katie Henderson, Clerk II – RHWC
 - k. Brenda Feasel, Director of Human Resources

(Resolution 2022.06.100) A motion was made by Paul Komisarek and seconded by Dr. Munk to approve the hiring of the above listed people. Motion carried, 10 Yeas, 0 Nays.

(Resolution 2022.06.101) A motion was made by Dr. Munk and seconded by Paul Komisarek to approve the Personnel Committee Report. Motion carried; 10 Yeas, 0 Nays.

Paul Komisarek brought attention to the great job Andrea Binz has done to bring each of these candidates forward for approval.

B. Audit/Finance Committee – Amr Elaskary

The Audit/Finance Committee met on Tuesday, June 21, 2022. The following items require Board of Health Action:

1. Payment of the March 2022 Vouchers

(Resolution 2022.06.102) A motion was made by Dr. Munk and seconded by Barbara Sarantou to approve the payment of the May 2022 vouchers. Motion carried; 10 Yeas, 0 Nays.

2. Transfer of Appropriations

A transfer reallocates funds from one cost object to another. Board of Health Resolution is required to approve Transfers of Appropriations performed in the month of May 2022 in the ordinary course of business. Total transfer is \$41,250.00 consisting of changes in various expense categories.

(Resolution 2022.06.103) A motion was made by Dr. Ross and seconded by Dr. Munk to approve the transfer of appropriations of \$41,250.00 for May 2022. Motion carried; 10 Yeas, 0 Nays.

3. Revenue Estimates and Expense Appropriations

Board of Health Resolution is required to approve changes in Revenue Estimates and Expense Appropriations for the month of May 2022 in the amount of \$1,999,335.90.

(Resolution 2022.06.104) A motion was made by Dr. Woodson and seconded by Barbara Sarantou to approve the Revenue Estimates and Expense Appropriations of \$1,999,335.90. Motion carried; 10 Yeas, 0 Nays.

4. Schneider Downs/iNSITE Authorizing Resolution

Board of Health Resolution is required to authorize the Health Commissioner to negotiate, accept and enter into an agreement with Schneider Downs/iNSITE for time tracking.

(Resolution 2022.06.105) A motion was made by Dr. Munk and seconded by Dr. Woodson to authorize the Health Commissioner to negotiate, accept and enter into an agreement with Schneider Downs/iNSITE for time tracking. Motion carried; 10 Yeas, 0 Nays.

5. New Concepts Authorizing Resolution

Board of Health Resolution is required to authorize the Health Commissioner to negotiate, accept and enter into an agreement with New Concepts to purchase and distribute Naloxone Kits.

(Resolution 2022.06.106) A motion was made by David Karmol and seconded by Dr. Ross to authorize the Health Commissioner to negotiate, accept and enter into an agreement with New Concepts to purchase and distribute Naloxone Kits. Motion carried; 10 Yeas, 0 Nays.

(Resolution 2022.06.107) A motion was made by Dr. Woodson and seconded by Dr. Munk to approve the Audit/Finance Committee Report. Motion carried; 10 Yeas, 0 Nays.

C. Environmental Health Committee – David Karmol

The Environmental Health Committee met on Tuesday, June 21, 2022. The following items were discussed and are recommended by the Committee and require Board of Health Action:

1. Septic Variance Requests

a) 4821 Brown Road, Oregon.

The owners of the property at 4821 Brown Road request a variance for replacement system for a small lot. The system designed can meet the square footage required, but this will require trenches wider than code allows for (6ft vs 3ft). Further the design cannot meet the required length on of run (60ft vs 120ft) and may not be able to meet the isolation distance to the property line.

(Resolution 2022.06.108) A motion was made by Susan Postal and seconded by Paul Komisarek to approve the variance request for 4821 Brown Road, Oregon, as described above. Motion carried; 9 Yeas, 1 Nays.

b) 1697 Crissey Road, Holland, OH, Springfield Twp.

Variance request for a septic system at 1697 Crissey Road, Holland, OH, Springfield Township. This is a very small lot. This is a small church being changed into a business. The request is to allow the distance from the property line to be 5' vs 10'.

(Resolution 2022.06.109) A motion was made by Dr. Munk and seconded by Paul Komisarek to approve the variance request for 1697 Crissey Road, Holland, Ohio, Springfield Township as described above. Motion carried; 10 Yeas, 0 Nays.

c) ODH Public Health Lead Investigation Program Audit

An audit was performed on April 21, 2022. TLCHD has met all six of the metrics and remains in compliance with contract deliverables.

(Resolution 2022.06.110) A motion was made by Dr. Munk and seconded by Paul Komisarek to approve the Environmental Health Committee Report. Motion carried; 10 Yeas, 0 Nays.

D. Bylaws and Governance Committee – David Karmol

- There was no Bylaws and Governance Committee Meeting in June.

E. Health Services Committee – Dr. Johnathon Ross

- The Health Services Committee did not meet. The next meeting will be in July.
- Dr. Ross asked that the COVID vaccine numbers be included in the Health Services monthly reports.

X. Prior Business

- Strategic Plan - The SWOT analysis survey link that was sent to the Board Members will be closed out on Monday. Three have so far completed the analysis. If you have not, please do by Monday. Jessica will send the link out again.

XI. New Business – Points for Consideration

- Dr. Zgodzinski spoke about the topic of Gun Violence. With recent mass shootings and ongoing issues of gun violence in the community, he stated that this board needs to start having conversations about how they would like to proceed with this problem. It has multiple variables involved and we can't solve it but can have a hand in this. Have been working with the city about gun violence in our city. There will be further discussion as we move forward.

XII. Public Health in The News

- Seasonal Flu: The CDC recommended 65+ get the high dose vaccine. There are many other vaccines available for the flu this year.
 - We have purchased private doses as well as the ones that are provided by ODH.
- Acknowledge that Vicki LaVerde, RN is retiring after 21 years. She has worked in many of our programs. She will be missed.
- Dr. Zgodzinski has been asked to present at the NALBOH Conference on Strategic Planning.
- Amr Elaskary asked about Monkey Pox – at this time we do not have a case in our county. It is less infectious than COVID, it is transmitted from skin to skin contact, and vaccine is available for those who have been exposed.
- COVID - There are more Omicron variants out there that are more contagious than previous variants.
 - At the end of May we had a high of 95 cases, in June about 74 and now we are at the mid 40's of reported cases.
- Amr Elaskary reported that the Finance Committee is looking at ways to change how the financial statements are presented so that they are better understood.

(Resolution 2022.06.111) A motion was made by Dr. Ross and seconded by Dr. Munk to adjourn the meeting at 10:42 AM. Motion carried; 10 Yeas, 0 Nays.

Signed By:

Thaddeus M. Kaczorowski
Thaddeus M. Kaczorowski, President
Lucas County Regional Board of Health

Date: 7/28/22

Eric J. Zgodzinski
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Secretary to the Board of Health

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