



MCHENRY COUNTY
BOARD OF HEALTH
MINUTES • NOVEMBER 25, 2019

Regular Meeting

County Board Conference Room

6:30 PM

667 Ware Rd, Administration Building, Woodstock, IL 60098

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at: 6:30 PM by William Stinson.

PRESENT: McCann, Lorenc, Stinson, Gaffney (6:56 PM - 9:05 PM), Clarke, Morawski, Trevino, Marcussen, Adamson, Nomm, Karras, Howell, Buthod, Volant

ABSENT: Faccone, Lin

Dr. Stinson, board members and staff welcomed new Board of Health member Kyle Marcussen.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

3. MINUTES APPROVAL

A. Board of Health - Regular Meeting - Oct 28, 2019 6:30 PM

RESULT: ACCEPTED BY VOICE

4. DEPARTMENT & DIVISION UPDATES

5. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Disbursements

RESULT: APPROVED [7 TO 0]
MOVER: Cindy Gaffney
SECONDER: Joseph Clarke
AYES: McCann, Lorenc, Stinson, Gaffney, Clarke, Morawski, Trevino
ABSTAIN: Marcussen
ABSENT: Faccone, Lin

B. Income & Expenses

RESULT: APPROVED [7 TO 0]
MOVER: Cindy Gaffney
SECONDER: Joseph Clarke
AYES: McCann, Lorenc, Stinson, Gaffney, Clarke, Morawski, Trevino
ABSTAIN: Marcussen
ABSENT: Faccone, Lin

C. Administrator Report

Ms. Adamson stated there are a couple of follow up meetings scheduled in order to keep the data sharing moving forward. The Department has been involved in helping to introduce people from the County with different types of data presentation software, such as Livestories. A presentation was given to our MAPP (Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships) group and it's a way for the Department to communicate about our data and the community health needs assessment.

Dr. Lorenc asked for a clarification regarding if alternative nicotine products do not include electronic cigarettes. Ms. McCann stated it is not included.

RESULT:	APPROVED [7 TO 0]
MOVER:	Cindy Gaffney
SECONDER:	Joseph Clarke
AYES:	McCann, Lorenc, Stinson, Gaffney, Clarke, Morawski, Trevino
ABSTAIN:	Marcussen
ABSENT:	Faccone, Lin

D. ADM Division Report

RESULT:	APPROVED [7 TO 0]
MOVER:	Cindy Gaffney
SECONDER:	Joseph Clarke
AYES:	McCann, Lorenc, Stinson, Gaffney, Clarke, Morawski, Trevino
ABSTAIN:	Marcussen
ABSENT:	Faccone, Lin

E. ENV Division Report

Ms. Nomm was asked what had happened with the Hennings Subdivision. Ms. Nomm explained the technology for the original proposal was permitted by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) in 2007. The developer went back to the IEPA in 2011 and re-designed the proposal and was refunded for a system that only provided for 44 homes. It was originally proposed to be much larger and it still could be built out.

Ms. Nomm stated what is concerning is that it's not economically sustainable for 18-20 homeowners to manage a system that was designed for many more homes and to distribute the costs among those homeowners. Ms. Nomm said the worst case scenario would be for 18-20 homes and another 20 property owners that want to build homes there and have no sewage disposal. The Homeowners Association has already reached out to the Department about potentially looking at onsite wastewater treatments and there are a number of difficulties with doing that. The soil conditions are poor and the site has already been mass graded.

Ms. Nomm said County Administrator and the Director of Planning & Development will be holding a meeting to speak with the Village of Huntley. We will also be reaching out to Hampshire to see if they would they would be willing to take that over and hopefully in the future it could be built out to accommodate more homes with wastewater flow.

RESULT:	APPROVED [7 TO 0]
MOVER:	Cindy Gaffney
SECONDER:	Joseph Clarke
AYES:	McCann, Lorenc, Stinson, Gaffney, Clarke, Morawski, Trevino
ABSTAIN:	Marcussen
ABSENT:	Faccone, Lin

F. PHN Division Report

Ms. Karras stated that the State of Illinois DCFS is looking to privatize case management services with Illinicare. We are currently a lead agency with DCFS and are unsure of what this will mean for the Department. We have learned that Illinicare will subcontract with us to continue lead agency responsibilities. Ms. Karras said we are waiting on the Illinicare contract and should have a better understanding of how this will affect the Department.

Dr. Buthod informed members of an anti-vaccination movie that is scheduled to be shown at a local movie theatre in Lake in the Hills on December 11, 2019. Dr. Buthod asked for the board's permission and support to have some presence at the theatre with informational literature either before, during, or after the movie. Ms. Adamson stated it was important for the Department to re-enforce the importance of vaccinations.

Ms. Morawski suggested sending a written statement to the media that the Department of Health is pro-vaccine. Another suggestion was to have educational material available at the theatre without having a physical presence in order to avoid being confrontational.

It was decided the most effective way to reach people would be for the Department to publish a fact based editorial in the local paper.

RESULT:	APPROVED [7 TO 0]
MOVER:	Cindy Gaffney
SECONDER:	Joseph Clarke
AYES:	McCann, Lorenc, Stinson, Gaffney, Clarke, Morawski, Trevino
ABSTAIN:	Marcussen
ABSENT:	Faccone, Lin

G. VPH Division Report

Ms. Howell gave a brief explanation to board members about the recent impounding of horses. Ms. Howell stated there were multiple agencies involved in the situation and Animal Control was not the lead agency. We were told the price of hay is very expensive this year and is cause for concern and may cause future problems this winter. Hay prices this year are approximately \$8.00-15.00 per bale and one horse over the winter will need about 100 bales of hay. Ms. Howell also noted that last year Animal Control took in 26 horses and is expecting more cases throughout the winter months. There will be a pre-winter meeting with the different agencies and possibly invite some horse rescue agencies to attend so we can come up with some game plans and work together.

Dr. Stinson asked if the hay prices are a major factor in the neglect cases or is the neglect intentional. Ms. Howell said it's not necessarily done with intent, but a lack of education and experience with horses can also result in neglect.

RESULT:	APPROVED [7 TO 0]
MOVER:	Cindy Gaffney
SECONDER:	Joseph Clarke
AYES:	McCann, Lorenc, Stinson, Gaffney, Clarke, Morawski, Trevino
ABSTAIN:	Marcussen
ABSENT:	Faccone, Lin

6. NORTHWESTERN MEDICINE DISBURSEMENTS

1. Northwestern Medicine Disbursements

RESULT:	APPROVED [5 TO 0]
MOVER:	Mary McCann
SECONDER:	Cindy Gaffney
AYES:	McCann, Gaffney, Clarke, Morawski, Trevino
ABSTAIN:	Lorenc, Stinson, Marcussen
ABSENT:	Faccone, Lin

7. FAMILY HEALTH PARTNERSHIP DISBURSEMENTS

1. Family Health Partnership Disbursements

RESULT:	APPROVED [7 TO 0]
MOVER:	Mary McCann
SECONDER:	Juliana Morawski
AYES:	McCann, Lorenc, Stinson, Gaffney, Clarke, Morawski, Trevino
ABSTAIN:	Marcussen
ABSENT:	Faccone, Lin

8. CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS - NEW

9. PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

A. Tools of theTrade: An Overview of Information Technology Used for Disease Surveillance and Investigations

The program highlights presented at the November 2019 Board of Health meeting covered information technology used during disease surveillance and investigations. Three tools were covered: 1) REDCap, 2) SAS 9.4, and 3) Electronic Surveillance for the Early Notification of Community-based Epidemics (ESSENCE). Information on each tool was presented, and a demonstration was given utilizing each tool.

REDCap is a secure web application for building and managing online surveys and databases. SAS 9.4 is a program used for performing statistical analyses that uses coding to run analytics in the SAS environment. ESSENCE is web-based disease surveillance information system that is part of the National Syndromic Surveillance Program (NSSP) Platform offered through CDC's BioSense Platform that can be used to monitor and analyze syndromic surveillance data from hospital emergency departments that have been registered as sentinel sites (4 of which are in McHenry County).

RESULT: PRESENTED

10. OLD BUSINESS

A. Ordinance Update

Ms. Adamson stated the ordinances were changed at the Committee of the Whole meeting and the addition of the cat registration and corresponding fees have been struck out. Ms. Adamson stated the ordinances are currently on a 30-day review with the strikeouts. There was no discussion of the ordinances at the County Board meeting.

Ms. Howell reminded board members that per the Animal Control Act, we are mandated by law to enforce the vaccination of cats or we can be fined. Regardless of the ordinance being passed, Animal Control will still have to provide the services of taking in the rabies certificates, validating and entering this information into our system for cats that are vaccinated. Ms. Howell stated Animal Control has registered 65,000 dogs and there are at least 10,000-15,000 cats that have been vaccinated and the numbers will continue to grow as we move forward to enforce the vaccinations. In comparison to the collar counties that charge a user fee for cat registration, our fee would be lower since we would offer a microchip discount and a senior discount.

It was suggested to provide the County Board with information regarding projected costs to the County with and without the registration fees.

RESULT: PRESENTED

11. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2020 Meeting Dates

RESULT: APPROVED BY VOICE

B. Slate of Officers

Slate of Officers - The Personnel Committee recommended Dr. George Lin as Secretary for Slate of Officers

RESULT: APPROVED [7 TO 0]
MOVER: Joseph Clarke
SECONDER: Ted Lorenc
AYES: McCann, Lorenc, Stinson, Gaffney, Clarke, Morawski, Trevino
ABSTAIN: Marcussen
ABSENT: Faccone, Lin

C. FY20 Merit Increase

Ms. Adamson state the merit increase for FY20 would be 2.25%. Not every employee qualifies for the 2.25% increase because the amount would be dependent on the date of hire. Any employee who met their annual evaluation is eligible for the full 2.25% and then on a sliding scale based on date of hire or date of promotion in 2019. The County is adjusting the compensation scales by 1.125% to employees hired December 1, 2019 or after. Ms. Adamson stated the County is still providing compression to employees who meet the requirements and this will take place in January 2020.

Several members stated this a flawed system and there needs to be some discussion with Human Resources or the County on how we can use merit to reward performance and address the cost of living changes. Ms. Adamson said she would be happy to open a discussion with Human Resources as to how we can accomplish these goals and change some of the previous problems we encountered last year.

RESULT:	APPROVED [7 TO 0]
MOVER:	Mary McCann
SECONDER:	Juliana Morawski
AYES:	McCann, Lorenc, Stinson, Gaffney, Clarke, Morawski, Trevino
ABSENT:	Faccione, Lin
NA:	Marcussen

D. Negotiation Update

Ms. Howell said that Animal Control had their first negotiation meeting. Two supervisors from Animal Control, the County Human Resources Director and an Assistant State’s Attorney were in attendance at the meeting. There will be one more meeting in December to respond to the union’s proposal. Their proposal is centered around wages, equipment and training. The Department will offer a counter proposal. Mr. Clarke asked if the Board of Health would have an opportunity to review the union’s proposal and the Department’s counter proposals prior to the next negotiation meeting on December 18, 2019.

Ms. Adamson said she would send out a poll to check member availability and schedule a Board of Health Special Meeting to review Animal Control negotiations. It was noted this discussion would need to be in Executive Session.

RESULT:	PRESENTED
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12. BOARD ISSUES

13. INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS

A. Immunization Coverage Campaign

RESULT:	PRESENTED
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B. Power of Data Sharing Final Report

RESULT:	PRESENTED
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14. EXECUTIVE SESSION (AS NECESSARY)

Mr. Clarke moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:06 pm to enter into Executive Session, second by Dr. Lorenc, to discuss the Review of a Specific Employee of the Department of Health (5ILCS120/2/Section 2/Paragraph C/Item 1). The motion passed unanimously with a voice vote.

Ms. McClain Trevino moved to go out of Executive Session at 10:15 pm, second by Ms. Morawski. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

Ms. Morawski moved to go into Regular Session at 10:05 pm, second by Mr. Marcussen. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

15. APPENDIX

A. Media Detail

RESULT:	PRESENTED
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B. Webstats

RESULT:	PRESENTED
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C. ENV Well & Septic Report

RESULT:	PRESENTED
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D. ENV Lab Report

RESULT:	PRESENTED
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E. PHN Reports

RESULT:	PRESENTED
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F. VPH Reports

RESULT:	PRESENTED
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16. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Morawski moved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 10:05 pm, second by Mr. Marcussen. The motion passed unanimously.

