

**Hamilton County General Health District
REGULAR MEETING – BOARD OF HEALTH
November 9, 2015
Minutes**

1. Call to Order

At 6:30 p.m., President Tracey Puthoff, called to order the regular session of the Board of Health of Hamilton County General Health District, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call of Members

Members Present: Tracey A. Puthoff, President
Dr. Kenneth G. Amend
James Brett
Thomas W. Chatham
Mark A. Rippe

District Staff Present: Timothy Ingram, Health Commissioner
Nee Fong Chin, Chief Assistant Prosecuting Attorney
Greg Kesterman, Asst. Health Commissioner
Kathy Lordo, Asst. Health Commissioner
Dr. Stephen Bjornson, Medical Director
Jeremy Hessel, Director, Environmental Health
Mike Samet, Public Information Officer

3. Clean Kitchen Awards

Mr. Kesterman read the list of three Clean Kitchen Award recipients.

4. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Brett moved to approve the minutes from the October 12, 2015 Board of Health meeting.

Mr. Rippe seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote – All Aye

5. Health Commissioner's Report

Commissioner Ingram reported on the October 27, 2015 visit from CDC and ODH personnel to learn about the use of the drug, fentanyl, incorporated into heroin and causing overdose deaths throughout the state. In addition, he reported that Hamilton County Public Health is purchasing the anti-overdose drug, naloxone for distribution to first responders throughout the County. Dr. Bjornson is training sheriff's deputies on the use of naloxone, which has already resulted in saved lives.

Commissioner Ingram reported that the residents of the City of Sharonville had passed a ballot initiative authorizing the City's continued service agreement with Hamilton County Public Health for provision of public health services.

6. Staff Reports

Department of Community Health Services

Ms. Lordo reported on the work being done in the Division of Health Promotion and Education on the five-year Child & Family Health Services grant. Hamilton County Public Health is working with day care centers through the WeTHRIVE! program to foster healthy practices. Division staff is also part of a partnership with Cradle Cincinnati focusing on maternal smoking cessation as a strategy to reduce infant mortality.

Dr. Bjornson reported no activity on the communicable disease front.

Department of Environmental Health Services

Mr. Kesterman reported on a September 21, 2015 an investigation into a compacting dumpster in Montgomery was leaking into a stormwater catch basin. Stormwater and Environmental Health staff collaborated on clean up and licensee education to prevent future leaks. He also reported on three condemnations on troubled properties.

7. Unfinished Business

Board of Health Continuous Education Unit Training: Ms. Lordo accomplished 15 minutes of ongoing training for Board of Health members, reviewing materials covering Public Health Accreditation, Domain 9 –the use of performance management systems to monitor achievement of organizational goals. She reviewed Hamilton County Public Health plans and reporting mechanisms for the accomplishment of the plan initiatives.

8. Finances

a) Monthly Disbursements Report

Mr. Chatham moved to approve the monthly disbursements.

Dr. Amend seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote – All Aye

Ms. Puthoff inquired about the disbursement regarding Bio Pools US Inc. Commissioner Ingram committed to an answer in the next week.

9. New Business

a) Regulation 3-2015 – Adopting Revised Local Fees for Food Service Operations, Retail Food Establishments, Vending Operations, Temporary Food Services, and Mobile Food Services.

Mr. Rippe moved to implement Regulation 3-2015 – Adopting Revised Local Fees for Food Service Operations, Retail Food Establishments, Vending Operations, Temporary Food Services, and Mobile Food Services. .

Mr. Chatham seconded the motion

Roll Call Vote – All Aye

b) Resolution I-2015 – Repealing Board of Health Regulation 529.

Dr. Amend moved to adopt Resolution I-2015 – Repealing Board of Health Regulation 529.

Mr. Brett seconded the motion

Roll Call Vote – All Aye

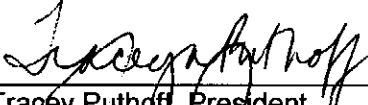
10. Adjournment

Mr. Rippe moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 pm


Dr. Amend seconded the motion

Roll Call Vote – All Aye

Next Board of Health meeting: December 14, 2015.



Tracey Puthoff, President



Timothy I. Ingram, Secretary
Health Commissioner