

Board of Health Committee

February 14, 2008

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Chairman John Hoffman at 12:30 PM at the Oneida County Health Department, Conference Room.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: John Hoffman, Marge Saari, Paul Dean, Robert Metropulos, Joanna Gudel, Jessie Starke

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Romelle Vandervest, Carol Pederson

STAFF PRESENT: Linda Conlon, Chrissy Woller, Michelle Metropulos, Ann Ovsak

The Chairman noted that this meeting of the Board of Health Committee had been properly posted in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law.

Motion made by Gudel, seconded by Saari to approve today's agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Motion made by Metropulos, seconded by Saari to approve the minutes from the January 10, 2008 regular meeting. Motion carried.

Staff Program Update: Ann Ovsak, RN was present to discuss the Wisconsin Well Women Program. Information provided to board regarding program. For discussion only, no action taken.

County car update: Update given on the condition of the Malibu county car. The car has many miles on it and has needed much maintenance in the past few months. The repairs will be monitored and reported to the board as they occur. Discussion only, no action taken.

Ground water program: County wide water testing program was very successful. Eighty-four test kits were sent to Stevens Point. Fifteen of them were from individuals from Stella and a handful had abnormal results. A water program education Session provided by UW Stevens Point water specialists will be held on February 27, 2008 from 6:30-9:30 pm at the Oneida County Law Enforcement Center. Individuals will be able to pick up results at that time. Individuals not able to attend will receive their results in the mail. Discussion only, no action taken.

Outdoor wood burner ordinance: The drafted ordinance has been reviewed by Corporation Counsel and a few changes were requested. It was suggested to partner with Oneida County Planning and Zoning on this ordinance. The revised ordinance is currently being reviewed by Corporation Counsel. For discussion only, no action taken.

Monthly food license complaint summary: Six complaints in Rhinelander as follows: 3 alleged food borne illness; bare hand contact with food; ill food worker; alleged bed bug infestation. Discussion only, no action taken.

Communicable disease update: Routine communicable diseases; Lyme disease, Hepatitis C and A, Chlamydia and Herpes. Discussion only, no action taken.

Health hazard update: No new complaints reported. Status on current health hazards as follows:

- Outdoor wood burner in Crescent: remediation plan was sent to owner, owner will raise the burner stack. Health hazard will continue to be monitored.
- Highway 17 North garbage accumulation - working with mortgage company for clean up.
- House in Minocqua - posted unfit for human habitat.
- Outdoor wood burner in Minocqua: Margorie has contacted Secretary Hayden's office at the DHFS several times in addition to DPH environmental staff and the State Health Officer. Linda continues to receive phone calls. Marjorie has requested that the health department request the air quality monitor from the State and wants the health department to test when the burning is happening - which is after work hours at 2:00 am and 4:00 am. In addition to the testing conducted with the DPH in October on the OWB property and Marjorie's home, the health department has done air quality testing around the county including in Marjorie's neighborhood and the levels are consistent around the county. The State advises: OCHD could send a Sanitarian at 12:00 am with a police officer; or ask a police officer to do drive by and check for smoke/foul odor, but no further action is necessary. This has been determined not to be a health hazard and Margorie has received letters both from the State and health department stating this. Margorie now reports that her dog is sick. Corporation Counsel and the State have advised Linda that nothing more needs to be done. Corporation Counsel advised Linda to bring to board. The Board of Health states that Linda does not need to respond/act on Marjorie's persistent requests because this has been deemed not a health hazard. Discussion only, no action taken.

Motion made by Gudel, seconded by Hoffman to approve the meetings and workshops as presented. Motion carried.

Motion made by Gudel, seconded by Metropulos to approve line item transfers as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Saari, seconded by Hoffman to approve the vouchers and purchase orders as presented totaling \$1972.17. Motion carried.

Public comment/communications: The WAHLDAB meeting dates for the year are as follows: March 20, May 15, July 17, September 18, November 20 from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. Board members wanting to attend need to notify Linda.

Agenda items for next meeting: Outdoor wood boiler ordinance, Staff Program Update, Communicable disease, health hazard and monthly food license complaint updates.

Date of next meetings: March 13, 2008 @ 12:30 pm. Joanna Gudel will be excused from meeting.

Motion by Metropulos, seconded by Hoffman to adjourn at 1:45 pm. Motion carried.

Committee Chairman

Committee Secretary