

Cayuga County Board of Health
Tuesday, July 26, 2022
In-Person & Virtual @ 12:15pm

Members Present: Mr. Keith Batman
Ms. Elane Daly
Dr. Brian Brundage
Mr. Tim Fessenden

Members Excused: Dr. Cassandra Archer
Dr. John Cosachov

Guests Present: Robert Harding, Citizen Newspaper
Mike Sacco, Trade-A-Yacht, Inc.

Staff Present: Kathleen Cuddy, MPH
Janine Clifford
Ani Fish, PE
Riley Graney, Health Department Intern
Dr. Philip Gioia, Medical Director
Deanna Ryan, MCH
Megan Bell
Nancy Purdy, RN, BSN
Rich Graham, County Attorney's Office

Meeting was called to order at 12:17pm.

Minutes of the June 28, 2022 Meeting:

With no questions or corrections, a motion to approve the minutes from the June 28, 2022 Board of Health meeting was made by Ms. Elane Daly and seconded by Mr. Tim Fessenden with all other members in attendance in favor. The minutes of the June 28, 2022 Board of Health meeting were approved as written.

Director of Administrative Services: Janine Clifford

Janine reviewed the claims with warrant dates of 6/16/2022 and 6/30/2022 and credit card statements with dates of 5/29/2022 and 6/15/2022. Elane asked if the use of the consulting nutritionist at WIC was because they were having difficulty filling a vacancy. Kathleen shared that they have been looking for a supervising WIC nutritionist for a lengthy period of time and the services of this consultant were needed as she has experience working with WIC programs. Dr. Brundage asked if the Health Department was just the pass through for the school COVID funding. Janine shared that we received funds from the State to distribute to the county schools to assist with COVID costs. Keith asked if the \$6,000 listed under septic was for the septic replacement program. Kathleen shared that qualifying homeowners can submit for reimbursement up to \$10,000. With no further questions or concerns regarding the claims a

motion was made by Dr. Brundage with a second by Ms. Elane Daly and all other members in attendance were in favor.

Supervising Public Health Administrator: Deanna Ryan, MCH

Deanna shared with the Board some updates regarding the Lead program. The grant the Department received this cycle was a little different compared to previous cycles in that it included prevention money. Previously funds only allowed us to intervene after a child had received an elevated lead level. This new funding allows us to be more proactive and staff have been working diligently to get the word out about some of the prevention activities we are offering. One of them allows for residents who think they may have a lead hazard in their home to reach out to our office and a member of the Environmental staff will schedule an appointment to conduct a lead inspection. Deanna is hopeful that as the new grant cycle for Healthy Neighborhoods gets off the ground it assists with more residents being aware of this option.

The Lead Task Force has also been meeting regularly again and they have been working to get SPIEGL enacted within our county. SPIEGL is a regulation that allows DSS subsidies to be withheld if there are known lead hazards present in a home.

The Health Department has also been successful in getting more Leadcare II machines available in more area physician offices. Many practices were just writing families scripts for a lab conducted venous blood draw which often were not completed by families. The Leadcare II machine does an in-office finger stick that is much more tolerable for families.

Public Health Director: Kathleen Cuddy, MPH

Kathleen shared with the Board an update from our rabies coordinator. This is typically the busy time of year for rabies activity and our coordinator shared that they have seen a higher number of rabies positive fox this year that can also be traced back to racoons.

The Department as well as the county as a whole is working on a continuity of operations plan. Michele Wunderlich from the planning office is assisting the Health Department with this task.

Kathleen shared that staff has begun working on the 2023 budget.

Deanna introduced Riley Graney a Health Department intern who will be with us for a couple more weeks before heading back to school in the fall.

Director of Community Health Services: Nancy Purdy, RN, BSN

Nancy shared that based on the current state tracking information we are at a low community level of transmission for COVID. We will be resuming our COVID vaccination clinics at the Finger Lakes Mall in August for individuals 5 years of age and older. We are currently also offering back to school immunizations for students in need of required school vaccines. We will continue to offer those in August as well.

For parents who are looking to get the child under the age of 5 the COVID vaccine, East Hill Family Medical is going to be holding a couple of clinics in mid-August that will be available to

patients of their practices as well as to the public. The Hospital through their pediatric/family care practices have been running clinics for patients under 5.

Nancy discussed the new maternal child health program that staff has been working to develop since April. They have completed an evidence based, multi-module program called maternal child partnership program. Referrals come in from OB/GYN offices and then postpartum referrals come in from the hospital. The program is looking to enhance positive maternal outcomes. Elane asked if home visits will be offered. Nancy shared that initial contact will be through phone conversations, but if a home visit is necessary or desired by the client then staff will make home visits. Currently referrals are coming in from Auburn Community Hospital and Cayuga Medical, but they are working towards including Syracuse area hospitals as well. The goal of the program is ensuring unified information is being shared with the clients. They are hearing the same information from the physician, hospital nurses and our office.

Keith asked Deanna what areas the Healthy Neighborhoods program would be covering this grant cycle. Deann shared that it would be the Town of Mentz, including the Village of Port Byron, the Town of Montezuma and the City of Auburn.

Director of Environmental Health: Eileen O'Connor, PE- In her absence, Ani Fish, PE

Ani reviewed the Hearing and Consent Orders:

Meadowbrook Golf Club-Brutus (T)

Colonial Lodge- Sempronius (T)

Drifters on Owasco Lake-Venice (T)

Goody's Lake Como Inn- Summerhill (T)

Parkers Grille and Tap House- Auburn (C)

Cayuga Lake Estates Mobile Home Park – Locke (T)

Goody's Lake Como Inn- Summerhill (T)

Gaetano's Pizzeria- Auburn (C)

Turtle Cove Restaurant- Fair Haven (V)

Kenyon Landing- Brutus (T)

Pleasant Valley Mobile Home Park- Moravia (T)

Green Property- Ira (T)

Kolb Property- Ira (T)

McLellan Property- Ira (T)

With no questions or concerns, a motion to approve the hearing and consent orders was approved by Dr. Brian Brundage with a second by Mr. Tim Fessenden and all other members in attendance in favor.

Medical Director's Report: Dr. Philip Gioia

Dr. Gioia shared an update regarding typical summer injury prevention practices. He also shared some information with the Board regarding the potential for the second COVID booster to be approved for individuals under 50 years of age. He also reported some information surrounding monkeypox, the way it is spread and the use of the smallpox vaccine to prevent contracting it following an exposure.

Public request to be heard: Mike Sacco, Trade-A-Yacht, Inc.

Mr. Sacco introduced himself to the Board as the manager of the Hibiscus Harbor Marina. Mr. Sacco shared that the marina has a pool that is permitted by the Health Department. In October 2021 he received a letter from the Health Department stating that the pool would have to obtain a lifeguard when previously a waiver had been granted waiving the requirement of a lifeguard. Mr. Sacco came to the Board to share the hardship the business is experiencing as a result of the new requirement for a lifeguard.

With nothing further to discuss a motion to adjourn was made by Dr. Brian Brundage and seconded by Ms. Elane Daly. The meeting was adjourned at 1:13pm.