

Cayuga County Board of Health Meeting  
Tuesday, June 22, 2021  
Digital Meeting @ 12:15pm

Members Present: Mr. Keith Batman  
Dr. John Cosachov  
Dr. Cassandra Archer  
Dr. Brian Brundage  
Mr. Ralph Battista  
Mr. Tim Fessenden  
Ms. Elane Daly

Guests Present: Mr. Paul Meyer  
Ms. Aileen McNabb-Coleman

Staff Present: Eileen O'Connor, PE  
Ani Zipkin Fish  
Nancy Purdy, RN, BSN  
Kathleen Cuddy, MPH  
Rich Graham, County Attorney  
Janine Clifford  
Dr. Gioia- Medical Director  
Megan Bell

Meeting called to order at 12:16pm.

**Minutes of May 18, 2021:**

With no questions or corrections, a motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Tim Fessenden and seconded by Dr. Cassandra Archer the minutes of the May 18, 2021 Board of Health meeting were approved as written.

Mr. Paul Meyer, owner/operator of the Finger Lakes Drive-In, asked to speak to the Board in regards to his recent Board of Health hearing. Eileen reviewed the hearing officer's decision with the Board. Mr. Meyer read a brief statement he had prepared citing the Drive-Ins near flawless health history in the past. He requested that the Board alter the hearing officer's decision and reduce the fine from \$500 to \$50.

**Director of Administrative Services: Janine Clifford**

Janine reviewed the claims with a warrant dates of 05/27/2021 and 06/10/2021 and the credit card statements with a dates of 04/29/2021 and 05/15/2021. Dr. Archer asked if the Finger Lakes Mall was donating the space that is currently being utilized as a clinic space. Janine shared that yes they have been donating that storefront. We will need to move out by June 30<sup>th</sup> and will be moving to another smaller location within the mall that will also be donated. We will also be returning several of the drapes and chairs that will not be needed in the new location. With no

other questions or concerns, a motion to approve the claims was made by Dr. Cassandra Archer and seconded by Ms. Elane Daly. All other in attendance in favor.

**Public Health Director: Kathleen Cuddy, MPH**

Kathleen started by giving credit to the fiscal division of the Health Department in regards to the Department's 2020 expenses related to COVID-19, by utilizing grant and state aid we kept the local share to less than \$4500. In 2021 we are continuing to seek out grant funding and will continue to bill the administration fee for vaccinations. To date that Department has been able to recoup almost \$35,000 in administration fees from insurance companies for vaccine administration.

Kathleen shared that Lorie Fischer is on vacation but provided a brief update for Kathleen to share. Currently there is waiting list for therapy services in Cayuga County. Several counties in New York State are experience the same provider shortages and Service Coordinators have been working with families on alternatives while awaiting an available provider.

Kathleen shared that the WIC office will be re-locating. They are hopeful to have that move at some point over the summer, the Play Space will be opening their new location within the next few weeks.

Vaccination efforts still continue in the Health Department, staff continue to develop new outreach strategies and do their best to stay current on the ever changing guidance.

Kathleen proposed to the Board a return to meeting in person. After discussion the Board decided that they would return to in-person meetings beginning in July. Anyone not comfortable with that would be given the option to join the meeting virtually.

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

Nancy shared with the Board some new outreach that staff have been doing in order to target areas within the county that have been identified as having a lower vaccination rate. We have been offering 2 to 3 vaccine options at most of our clinics. The targeted outreach has been in conjunction with various community partners including rural volunteer fire departments and some faith based organizations.

Keith asked about the percentage of individuals in our county that have been vaccinated and Nancy shared that we have been around 49% for quite a while and hoping we can push over that 50% mark. Ralph asked about vaccine waste. Nancy shared that the department has policies in place to try and minimize vaccine waste.

Staff will also be looking forward to having to complete school vaccines as well as the summer continues.

**Director of Environmental Health: Eileen O'Connor, PE**

Eileen asked Rich Graham to provide the Board with a brief update regarding the Locust Meadow Mobile Home Park. Rich shared that the LLC has been served and they have 30 days past the date of service to respond. If no response is offered then Rich will file a default

judgement and then proceed to execute on the levy on the real property and work with the Sheriff's Department to proceed to auction.

Eileen reviewed the Consent Orders:  
Meadowbrook Golf Course- Brutus (T)  
Nino's Pizzeria- Port Byron (V)  
McDonalds of Port Byron- Montezuma (T)  
Panera Bread- Auburn (C)  
Lake Breeze Subdivision- Cato (T)  
Arnold's Family Restaurant- Weedsport (V)  
The Redeemer Bottle and Can Redemption Center- Moravia (T)  
Starbucks- Auburn (C)  
Dugan's County Grill- Scipio (T)  
Gaetano's Pizzeria- Auburn (C)  
Goody's Lake Como Inn- Summerhill (T)  
Little Caesars Pizza- Auburn (C)  
Falcon Lanes- Auburn (C)

Before moving on to hearings Eileen asked the Board to approve the consent orders due to the lengthy list. A motion by Ms. Elane Daly and seconded by Mr. Ralph Battista all the consent orders presented were approved.

Eileen then reviewed the Hearings:  
Cozy Apts., LLC- Auburn (C)  
Ollies Bargain Outlet- Auburn (C)  
NAPA Auto Parts- Weedsport (V)  
Finger Lakes Drive-In- Aurelius (T)  
Ed & Jeans Market- Port Byron (V)  
Dollar Tree Store- Auburn (C)  
Daphine's Diner- Sterling (T)  
JOC Construction- Scipio (T)

After discussion regarding the Finger Lakes Drive-In, a motion by Dr. John Cosachov and second by Mr. Ralph Battista was made to uphold all the hearing officers decisions in the hearings presented including Finger Lakes Drive-In. All members in attendance were in favor.

### **Medical Director's Report: Dr. Gioia**

Dr. Gioia discussed updating the vaccine eligibility age and mask wearing for vaccinated individuals. He also shared that residents should still be vigilant to typical seasonal hazards such as sunburns and motor vehicle accidents.

With nothing further to discuss a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Tim Fessenden and seconded by Dr. Cassandra Archer. With all other members in attendance in favor the meeting was adjourned at 1:35pm.