

The Kenton-Hardin General District Health board met in regular session at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 22, 2021. The following board members all present: Ms. Jeryl Kissling, Ms. Jamie Hunsicker, Mr. Robert Wood, Ms. Marty Gray, Dr. Larry Oates and Mr. Chase Doll. Employees present: Ms. Cindy Keller, Ms. Melissa Humble, Mr. Kevin Risner, Ms. Kelsey Ralston, Ms. Jackie Prater, Mr. Shane Lotts, Mr. Derek Dunson and Ms. Dionne Staley. Guests present: Kenton Times reporter Mr. Kendrick Jesionowski, Township trustee Daryl Flowers, Hardin County Commissioner Mr. Fred Rush, Hardin County Prosecutor Mr. Brad Bailey and Kenton City Mayor Lynn Webb.

1.0 Convention

1.01 Call to Order

President, Mr. Robert Wood called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

1.02 Pledge of Allegiance

1.03 Acceptance of Agenda

1.04 Approval of Minutes

After review Ms. Jeryl Kissling made the motion to approve the May 25, 2021, minutes. Ms. Jamie Hunsicker second the motion. Mr. Chase Doll Abstained, he was not present last month. The motion passed with a majority roll call vote.

2.0 Committee Reports

2.01 Sanitarian/Environmental

Mr. Shane Lotts, Environmental Director reported in the agenda, that he performed 3 Site Inspections and 3 well permits, 6 – 12-month sewage inspections, 5 sewage system final inspections.

246 W. Main Street, Forest (Patterson) owned by Tonya Murray, Mr. Lotts stated that this property was condemned on June 2, 2021, through a Health Board action at the May 25, 2021, Health Board meeting. No further updates to report at this time.

Mr. Lotts looked at a property in Buck Township at 17091 CR 190, Kenton, for the trustees for a possible cleanup.

12511 Barbara Drive, Kenton, owned by Lynda Zaring. There was a letter issued on May 17, 2021, stating that the property had no electric and no water with people living there. Abatement date was June 17, 2021. The Electric was not turned on as of June 18, 2021. The occupants are aware that the property will be condemned. They are to give the health board a in writing affirming this and their intention to relocate until such a time the electric is turned on and they have running water. Mr. Lotts asked the Health Board to make a motion to condemn this property on June 30, 2021, until such a time that the electric and water is restored. Ms. Jamie Hunsicker made a motion to condemn the property at 12511 Barbara Drive, Kenton as of June 30, 2021, due to no electricity and water. Ms. Jeryl Kissling second the motion. The motion passed with a majority roll call vote.

Mr. Lotts also looked at photos presented by the Mayor of Forest for 314 N. Mary Street and sent a letter for purpose of the Village to clean up the property.

Mr. Derek Dunson gave his report: He performed 8 routine food inspections. 3 Partial food plans for Marathon East and Shaefer Smoked Meats, Jaeger Street Foods. 2 Mobile Concession Pre-Licensing inspections for Fork In the Road Food Truck and Joyce's Homemade Carmel Sauce. 4 pre-licensing inspections for Memorial Park Golf Club, Jump'N Jims, Oak Barrel Pub and Buckeye East Coffee Shop.

Mr. Dunson collected 6 water samples for bacteria testing. Completed 2 private water well permits. 1 Cat and 5 dog bites were reported. 1 dog was tested for rabies and tested negative. Mr. Dunson met with individuals along with Mr. Lotts regarding 12511 Barbara Drive, Kenton as mentioned by Mr. Lotts. Mr. Dunson also noted that the Health Department UTV is now fully insured by Newland-Heydinger Insurance Agency for one full year.

2.02 Nursing

Nursing Director, Ms. Melissa Humble stated that the first Immunization clinic in Ada was held in June and will take time to build back in numbers. It should be better with school starting and children needing vaccines. MAC (Medicaid Administrative Claiming) quarterly time study for Oct – Dec 2020 brought in \$7,825.94.

2.03 Health Commissioner

Ms. Cindy Keller gave her report on the COVID vaccine, the department continues to offer the COVID vaccines on Wednesdays. Hardin County is currently at 30.6% or just under 31% vaccinated which is comparable to Allen County which is 34%. We do have a relatively high Amish community which will skew our overall percentages. The call that she was a part of on Monday with Governor DeWine supports this significant drop off across the state which is still under 50%. She reported that at the current time, there are only 6 Covid cases in Hardin County. State of Emergency orders were rescinded across the State by the Governor effective on Friday, June 18, 2021.

She stated that HB 22 goes into effect June 23, 2021. There is still no guidance available from the state regarding how Public Health will proceed with those areas being affected by this bill. We proceed with caution and will consult with our legal as needed. HB 22 allows lawmakers to vote down health orders or emergency declarations without needing the governor's approval.

The Nurses had a meeting with Mary Merriman, our Union County Contracted Epi and she does still confirm that there is no defined definition on what is considered a Diagnosis.

The first meeting with the BOH sub-committee on Strategic Planning was held. A review of Priority 4 was completed with "homework", to be discussed at the next meeting on July 7th. We hope to be able to move quickly through this process. The staff will be meeting to discuss, review and update Priorities 1 – 3.

Ms. Keller will be working on a schedule for the BOH education. Currently the only Education the health board has had was the Disease Reporting. There needs to be 1.5 hours more of Continuing Education. Each completed session will have a Certificate placed in each Health Board member file. Ms. Keller stated that she is working with Ms. Kelsey Ralston on a presentation that they attended on Public Health Workforce.

Accreditation

There are no updates at this time.

Strategic plan

She attended a Public Health Combined Conference on June 22, 2021. Programs that were cut in Public Health that are significant were discussed.

She presented the May Communicable Disease Report for Hardin County and there were no questions.

2.04 Emergency Preparedness

Mr. Kevin Risner PHEP coordinator said that the Health Department needs a trailer to haul the agency UTV. We have budgeted \$5,000.00 of COVID grant funds for the purchase. He reviewed options at two *local* vendors and was able to find a trailer option that will meet the needs within the budgeted amount. Route 68 Trailer Sales, Inc. can provide the trailer for \$4,385. He requested that the Board of Health approve this purchase. There was discussion about the need to be able to haul the UTV. A motion was made by Ms. Jeryl Kissling to purchase the

trailer to haul to UTV owned by the Health Department. Second by Dr. Larry Oates. The motion passed with a majority roll call vote.

Mr. Risner presented a contract with Union County Health Department for the Vaccine Equity grant. This grant is a deliverable-based grant that will pay KHHD \$28,045 for completion of the deliverables. The deliverables are to provide various COVID vaccination clinic options to groups within Hardin County. The contract requires the Board of Health approval. Ms. Jamie Hunsicker made a motion to accept the Vaccine Equity Grant. Second by Ms. Marty Gray. The motion passed with a majority roll call vote.

Participated in a meeting with the County Commissioners in which we discussed the long-term storage space need to provide appropriate space for “inventory management.”

Mr. Risner participated in a meeting with the County Commissioners, Ms. Cindy Keller and Mr. Robert Wood in which the Commissioners gave permission to install a third Bullet-resistant transaction window in the KHHD front office area. Two quotes are available with the Board meeting information. A third quote was requested from Findlay Glass company, referred by Kenton Root Lumber, but they have not been about to provide information. There was more discussion if the need was there. Will table until a later date.

He is continuing to provide Narcan to local law enforcement agencies.

Nothing new on the Healthcare Coalition.

The MRC (Medical Reserve Corps.) efforts continue toward re-activation of the Hardin County MRC unit, Ms. Tia Hamilton is leading that effort.

2.05 Public Relations / PIO

Ms. Kelsey Ralston said that Ohio Buckles Buckeye’s will be having an event in August with WIC, Heartbeat of Hardin County and Health Partners.

She stated that there hasn’t been any information about the Accreditation site visit. There are Performance Management sheets for the site visit. She has finished the Clear Impact training. She will receive 2 certificates.

Ms. Ralston will be attending various Trainings, web design and search engine optimization. Google analytics in July. At no cost to the board.

The Public Health trainings were quite helpful. She said that the re-accreditation cycle will be different for us this next time.

2.06 Vital Statistics

The vital statistics report for May 2021 was given to the board by Registrar, Ms. Jackie Prater, 59 Certified death certificates were issued, 15 Death Certificates were filed. In addition, 118 certified copies of birth certificates were issued, 0 birth verifications for government offices were made and 4 home births was filed.

2.07 Administrative/Financial

Ms. Dionne Staley gave the Financial Report for May 2021

Purchase Orders that need Approved and Signed:

21-0056 Gen Other \$15,000.00

Ms. Jeryl Kissling made a motion to approve the purchase order for 21-0056 General Other account for \$15,000. Second by Ms. Marty Gray. The motion passed with a majority roll call vote.

21-0082 Dental Council \$0.49

Ms. Jamie Hunsicker made a motion to approve the purchase order for 21-0082 Dental Council account for \$0.49. Second by Ms. Jeryl Kissling. The motion passed with a majority roll call vote.

Appropriations that need approved:
E000-E12 Gen Other \$15,000.00
E011-T01 Dental Council \$0.49

Ms. Jeryl Kissling made a motion to approve the appropriations. Second by Ms. Marty Gray. The motion passed with a majority roll call vote.

3.0 Board Continuing Education

Health Commissioner Heath Commissioner, Ms. Cindy Keller gave information about this in her report.

4.0 Old Business

Commissioner Fred Rush reported that the window project has been completed and gave information about the wind initiative.

5.0 New Business

6.0 Anniversary/Employee Recognition

None

7.0 Board President

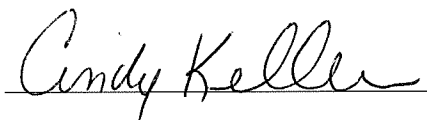
Ms. Marty Gray made the motion to go into closed session at 5:40 pm to discuss personnel and to allow Prosecutor Mr. Brad Bailey to attend closed session. Dr. Larry Oates second to motion. The motion passed with a majority roll call vote.

The Board came out of closed session at 6:11 pm. Ms. Marty Gray motioned to accept Dr. James Canterbury's resignation as of June 10, 2021. Dr. Larry Oates second the motion. The motion passed with a majority roll call vote.

8.0 Adjournment

As there was no further business, Ms. Jeryl Kissling made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:15. Dr. Larry Oates second the motion. The motion passed with a majority roll call vote. The meeting was adjourned at 6pm. The next meeting will be July 27, 2021, at 5:00 pm.

ATTEST:



Ms. Cindy Keller, MSN, RN
Health Commissioner



Mr. Robert Wood
Board President