



SANDUSKY COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH



SEPTEMBER 15, 2023

The regular Friday, September 15, 2023 Sandusky Co. Board of Health meeting was called to order by President John W. Zimmerman, @ 8:30 A.M., with the following members in attendance:

John W. Zimmerman, President
Nan Smith, Vice-President
Alexandra Rojas
Ryan R. Zimmerman, D.V.M.
Dean L. Auxter
John L. Yuhas, D.O.
Robert Gross
James Mason

Health Commissioner Bethany Brown participated via phone from the Association of Ohio Health Commissioners' Conference, Columbus, Ohio.

Guests in attendance: Village of Lindsey Mayor Ted Lewis; Sandusky Co. Commissioner Russ Zimmerman; Sandusky Co. Public Health Medical Director Jennifer Greenslade-Hohman, M.D.

Sandusky Co. Commissioner Russ Zimmerman requested an update on the public health nuisance order for Edward Artz, SR #19, Fremont, Ohio, as compliance was not made by the deadline. Director of Environmental Health Nina Johannsen stated due to lack of compliance to Sandusky Co. Board of Health order, the case has been referred to Sandusky Co. Prosecutor.

Re-accreditation Coordinator Laura Bogard presented Customer Satisfaction Quality Improvement Project. Customer service and quality improvement is a major part of re-accreditation, focusing on continuous, on-going efficiency and accountability outcomes. January-February, 2023, only four (4) customer satisfaction surveys were completed. The Quality Improvement Committee reworked the customer satisfaction survey process, implementing QR code, with more visible signs. March 1-August 29, 2023, 239 customer satisfaction surveys were completed, with quality of customer satisfaction above ninety (90%) percent. Board of Health member Nan Smith complimented staff, and added that the public satisfaction is even more meaningful. Board President Zimmerman and members thanked Laura and team for a great accomplishment.

Mr. Auxter made a motion to approve the Sandusky Co. Board of Health minutes of Friday, August 18, 2023, as presented. Mrs. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried with all voting in the affirmative.

The monthly financial report was reviewed with revenue for the month of \$689,453.36 and revenue year to date of \$3,038,551.96. Expenses for the month were \$347,092.74 and total expenses year to date of \$2,147,772.66.

The monthly bills, which become a part of these minutes, were approved on a motion by Dr. Zimmerman. Mr. Gross seconded the motion. Motion carried with all voting in the affirmative. The bills: Board of Health, \$12,906.14; Manufactured Home Park, \$126.76; Food Service, \$879.05; Private Water, \$1,016.30; Swimming Pools, \$226.35; Family Planning, \$4,547.31; Public Health Clinics, \$25,808.07; CFHS, 711.02; W.I.C., \$3,950.34; Public Health Emergency Response, \$145.48; Tobacco Prevention, Use and Cessation, \$1,240.51; Public Health Emergency Preparedness, \$295.66; SPF-PFS, \$25,531.95; Help Me Grow, \$1,647.51; Wellness, \$12,289.51; Prevention Partnership, \$965.61; Drug Free Communities, \$2,681.50; Sewage Treatment Systems, \$1,004.85; Immunization Action Plan, \$250.56; Creating Healthy Communities, \$481.10; Mental Health Levy Capacity, \$2,465.00; Ohio Water Pollution Control Loan, \$47,750.00; and Pacific Institute of Research Evaluation, \$89.45.

Sandusky Co. Board of Health read and reviewed Resolution 23-14, Supplemental Appropriation of \$6,500.00 in the Work Force Development Fund. After Board of Health review, Mr. Gross made a motion to approve Resolution 23-14. Mr. Mason seconded the motion. Voting thereon: Smith, yes; Mason, yes; Yuhas, yes; Gross, yes; J. Zimmerman, yes; R. Zimmerman, yes; Auxter, yes; and Rojas, yes. Motion carried. Vote: 8-yes; 0-nay.

Mr. Gross made a motion to accept the retirement of Public Health Nurse Joli Yeckley, R.N., after 30 years of service. Mrs. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried with all voting in the affirmative.

Sandusky Co. Board of Health heard the first reading, by title, of Resolution 23-04, Sandusky Co. Public Health 2024 fee schedule.

Dr. Zimmerman made a motion to approve out of state travel for Bethany Brown and Deb Agee, November 11-16, 2023 to Atlanta, Georgia. Mr. Auxter seconded the motion. Motion carried with all voting in the affirmative.

Sandusky Co. Board of Health Finance Committee will meet Wednesday, October 4, 2023 @ 8:00 A.M.

Mrs. Smith made a motion to approve the contract with Wyandot Co. Family and Children First Council in the amount of \$30,000.00 for Sept. 30, 2023-Sept. 29, 2024 for the SPF-PFS grant. Mr. Gross seconded the motion. Motion carried with all voting in the affirmative.

Dr. Yuhas made a motion to approve the contract with CARSA/HOPE of Fostoria in the amount of \$30,000.00 for Sept. 30, 2023-Sept. 29, 2024 for the SPF-PFS grant. Mr. Mason seconded the motion. Motion carried with all voting in the affirmative.

Mr. Gross made a motion to approve the contract with Huron Co. Mental Health in the amount of \$30,000.00 for Sept. 30, 2023-September 29, 2024 for the SPF-PFS grant. Ms. Rojas seconded the motion. Motion carried with all voting in the affirmative.

Mr. Gross made a motion to approve the contract with Mental Health and Recovery Services of Seneca, Ottawa, Sandusky and Wyandot Counties in the amount of \$17,500.00 for Sept. 30, 2023-Sept. 29, 2024 for the SPF-PFS grant. Dr. Yuhas seconded the motion. Motion carried with all voting in the affirmative.

Dr. Yuhas made a motion to approve the contract with Sandusky Co. Family and Children First Council in the amount of \$17,500.00 for Sept. 30, 2023-Sept. 29, 2024 for the SPF-PFS grant. Dr. Zimmerman seconded the motion. Motion carried with all voting in the affirmative.

Mr. Gross made a motion to approve the Notice of Award for Sandusky Co. Strategic Prevention Framework-Partnerships for Success (SPF-PFS) grant in the amount of \$300,000.00 for Sept. 30, 2023-Sept. 29, 2024. Mrs. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried with all voting in the affirmative. This grant funds the above approved contracts for September 30, 2023-September 29, 2024.

Mrs. Smith made a motion to approve the contract with Huron Co. Public Health for the Cribs for Kids program. Ms. Rojas seconded the motion. Motion carried with all voting in the affirmative.

Dr. Yuhas made a motion to approve the contract with Ottawa Co. Public Health for the Cribs for Kids program. Mrs. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried with all voting in the affirmative

There were no hearings/variances scheduled for this meeting.

Annual Work Force Development Day is Wednesday, September 27, 2023 @ Wilson Nature Center, SR #590, Lindsey, Ohio. Sandusky Co. Public Health offices will be closed that day.

The Citizens Public Information Committee will meet Friday, September 29, 2023 @ 8:30 A.M.

The Levy Committee will meet MONDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2023 @ 4:30 P.M. IN THE FRONT CONFERENCE ROOM.

Two hundred (200) small and fifteen (15) levy signs will be placed the first week of October. Three (3) billboards have been purchased with levy message. Health Commissioner Brown will speak at Rotary and Kiwanis Club meetings the week of October 9. Informational palm cards and air fresheners will be distributed @ Downtown Fremont Farmer's Markets on Saturday, October 7 and 21, 2023. Volunteers are needed to man the Always Choose Health Levy tent. Levy promotional ad will be in the October and November edition of LifeStyles, as well as Face book. Health Commissioner Brown and Executive Director Mircea Handru, Mental Health and Recovery Board are working together, as mental health levy is on the Tuesday, November 7, 2023 General Election ballot.

Sandusky Co. Board of Health member training is Wednesday, November 29, 2023 @ the Neeley Center, 5-6:30 P.M.

Application will be made October 1, 2023 to the Public Health Accreditation Board for Sandusky Co. Public Health re-accreditation, with document upload to follow. Ohio Dept. of Health may distribute additional funding to local health departments to aid in the fee application for re-accreditation.

Building renovations/improvements continue with parking lot and front walk way lighting. HVAC balancing is scheduled. Phone/internet is to be relocated the week of September 18, 2023. Cabinets and counter tops have been ordered for the break room and bathrooms.

Walk in flu clinics are from 9 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., each Monday in October, with the exception of October 9, Columbus Day. Ohio Dept. of Health is providing a small amount of COVID vaccine for uninsured adults and VFC children. More information on COVID vaccines will be forthcoming.

Sandusky Co. Board of Health was updated on Board of Health orders for Daniel Larcey and sanitary sewer tap-ins @ Wightman's Grove.

Creating Healthy Communities' Bike Share program in partnership with Y.M.C.A. is scheduled to launch the week of September 18, 2023. Two (2) bikes will be @ the Saturday, September 16, 2023 Downtown Fremont Farmer's Market.

Produce Prescription has enrolled four (4) participants who received nutritional education and vouchers to be exchanged for fresh fruit and vegetables.

Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR) Suicide Prevention Gatekeeper Training will be held Thursday, September 26, 2023, from 6-7:30 P.M. @ Sandusky Co. Public Health Front Conference Room. Board members were asked to please share the information.

The W.I.C. program has over 1,000 participants currently enrolled, with the clinic being very busy.

THE OCTOBER BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING IS FRIDAY, THE 20TH @ 8:30 A.M.

There was no need for Executive Session.

Dr. Zimmerman made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Gross seconded the motion. Motion carried with all voting in the affirmative.

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY