Franklin County District Board of Health
Minutes of the Board of Health
Tuesday, June 9, 2020

Meeting Location: via Zoom Conference Call

Call to Order: Dr. Tom Rudge called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

Board Members Present:
Tom Rudge, PhD
Sally Morgan, RN
Latisha Chastang, MNML
Roy Barnewall, DVM, PhD
Arthur James, MD, FACOG
Joe Mazzola, MPA, Secretary

Board Members Absent:
None

Staff Present:
Javonte Barnes, Administrative Assistant, Prevention and Wellness
Cassondra Burns, IT System Supervisor
Terri Ferguson, Administrative Assistant, Health Systems and Planning
Marcus Fitzgerald, Helpdesk Technician
Garrett Guillozet, Environmental Health Division Manager
Alex Jones, AHC/Director of Prevention and Wellness
Mitzi Kline, Director of Communications
Niki Lemin, AHC/Director of Environmental Health
Jen Robinson, Director of Human Resources
Joe Mazzola, Health Commissioner, FCPH
Theresa Seagraves, AHC/Director of Health Systems Planning
Debb Smith, Executive Assistant – Health Commissioner
Miller Sullivan, MD, Medical Director
John Wolf, Director of Finance and Operations

Legal Counsel:
Joseph R. Durham, Esq., Eastman & Smith, Ltd

Guests & New Staff:
Nick Soulas, First Assistant Prosecuting Attorney and Chief Counsel
David Mayworth

Pledge of Allegiance
Dr. Tom Rudge led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Meeting Minutes:
The April 14, 2020 meeting minutes were approved upon a motion by Ms. Sally Morgan with a second by Dr. James. Ayes: All  Nays: None – motion carried.

Recognitions:
None.

Old Business:
None.

Hearing:

Hearing: 20-002 (TABLED: Twice) Hearing for Food Service Operation/Retail Food Establishment Delinquent license fees. License holders that have failed to renew their license(s) by the March 1, 2020 deadline. Attorney Durham stated that based upon H.B. 197, he recommends this resolution be tabled. Dr. James asked that all affected locations are contacted and challenge them to correct the issue due to the Governor’s rule change. Niki Lemin confirmed that this process has been completed; was approved upon a motion by Dr. James with a second by Dr. Barnewall – motion carried.

New Business:

Resolutions

Resolution 20-053 Resolution authorizing the Health Commissioner to pay the operating expenses for the Board of Health; was approved upon a motion by Ms. Morgan with a second by Ms. Chastang. Ayes: All  Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 20-054 (TABLED) Resolution to authorize the Health Commissioner to issue the Board of Health Orders (1 sewage). Niki Lemin requested to table this resolution; was approved upon a motion by Dr. James with a second by Dr. Rudge. Ayes: All  Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 20-055 Resolution authorizing the Health Commissioner to enter into a contract with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) for a mosquito control grant for 2020 (Revenue of $16,750.00) ; was approved upon a motion by Dr. James with a second by Ms. Morgan. Ayes: All  Nays: None - motion carried.
Resolution 20-059 Resolution to authorize the Health Commissioner to enter into a contract with Paul Werth Associates for a Digital Marketing Awareness Campaign to New American population (Expense Not To Exceed $10,000.00); was approved upon a motion by Dr. James with a second by Ms. Morgan. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 20-060 Resolution to authorize the Health Commissioner to enter into a contract with Amelie Company for an Awareness Campaign related to opiate surge response during COVID-19 (Expense Not To Exceed $48,000.00); was approved upon a motion by Dr. James with a second by Ms. Morgan. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 20-061 Resolution to declare racism a public health crisis in Franklin County and authorize the Health Commissioner to implement the action items outlined in this declaration and to allocate funding (where applicable and available) as well as to establish alliances to secure funding; was approved upon a motion by Dr. Barnewall with a second by Ms. Morgan. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 20-062 Resolution to authorize the Health Commissioner to implement a Health and Equity in All Policies Policy. The major outcomes of this policy are to promote equitable practices by incorporating health considerations into decision-making across the organization, with external partner organizations in a manner that influences policy design and decision-making; and to engage residents who best understand the community perspective into the policy development process; was approved upon a motion by Ms. Chastang with a second by Dr. James. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 20-063 Resolution to authorize the Health Commissioner to enter into a contract between Lashaun Carter and Marguerethe Jaede and the Franklin County Board of Health for the purpose of conducting a training series titled "Racism as a Public Health Crisis: Exploring Public Health Through the Lens of Equity" (Expense of $3,000.00); was approved upon a motion by Ms. Morgan with a second by Dr. James. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 20-064 (TABLED) Resolution to approve the Franklin County Public Health 2020 – 2023 Quality Improvement Plan; was approved upon a motion by Dr. James with a second by Dr. Barnewall. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.
Resolution 20-065 Resolution for Contact Tracers as 1099 Contractors; was approved upon a motion by Dr. James with a second by Dr. Barnewall. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 20-066 (TABLED) Resolution to approve the Remote Work Policy for Franklin County Public Health Employees; was approved upon a motion by Ms. Morgan with a second by Dr. James. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 20-067 Resolution to authorize the Health Commissioner to enter into a contract with Innovaccer, Inc., to make the company’s COVID-19 Assessment Solution available to the residents in the FCPH jurisdiction for the period of June 1st to December 31st, 2020 (Expense Not to Exceed $14,000.00); was approved upon a motion by Dr. James with a second by Dr. Barnewall. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 20-068 Resolution to approve purchases for Franklin County Public Health; was approved upon a motion by Ms. Morgan with a second by Dr. James. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Personnel Actions:

Presented by Jen Robinson, Director of HR and Customer Service. The attached personnel actions were presented for Board approval. Personnel actions were moved for approval upon a motion by Dr. James with a second by Ms. Chastang. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.


Division & Office Reports:

Submitted but not orally given due to lateness of time.


Medical Director Report – Dr. Miller Sullivan – Dr. Sullivan expressed the great job FCPH is doing during this pandemic. Influenza is slowing down, but is elevated.
Dr. Sullivan receives many interesting calls relative to COVID-19. In his practice, he's doing many Tele-Health Triaging.

**Legal Counsel's Report** – Joe Durham, Esq. – Attorney Durham recommended entering into Executive Session given the time.

**Executive Session:**

**Resolution 20-069** Resolution to convene into Executive Session in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1) to consider the compensation of a public employee.

Board came out of Executive Session. No formal action was taken after Executive Session.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Rudge, Jr.                      Joe Mazzola

Dr. Tom Rudge, President               Joe Mazzola, Secretary