# Hendricks County Board of Health Meeting November 13, 2018 7:00 p.m.

Hendricks County Government Center Meeting Room 3 355 S Washington St. Danville, IN 46122

The Hendricks County Board of Health met Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in Meeting Room 3 at the Hendricks County Government Center.

## **Board Members in Attendance:**

Dr. James Richardson Mr. Brian Cobb Dr. Larry Caskey Ms. Debra Campbell Dr. Andrew Cougill

Mr. Bruce Dillon

# Hendricks County Staff in Attendance:

Dr. David Stopperich, Health Officer

Ms. Julie Haan, Environmental Health Director

Ms. Kandi Jamison, Director of Public Health Nursing Ms. Leanna Truitt, Healthy Families Program Manage

Ms. Lisa Chandler, Team Lead, Food

Ms. Jenny Plunkett, Immunization Grant Nurse Ms. Ginger Harrington, Team Lead, Septic

Ms. Nicole Oppy, Asst Director of Public Health Nursing

Ms. Laura Sweet, Administrative Assistant

Ms. Darcie Green, Environmental Health Secretary

# **Board Members/Others Absent:**

Mr. Eric Oliver, Attorney

Mr. David Hardin

#### Others in Attendance:

Mr. Larry Hesson, County Council

## Determination of a Quorum

Dr. Cougill called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. with a quorum present.

#### Approval of Minutes

Ms. Debra Campbell made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 4, 2018 Board of Health meeting. Dr. Larry Caskey seconded the motion. All were in favor; and the motion passed.

### **Unfinished Business**

Bed Bug Ordinance Update

Ms. Julie Haan stated the ordinance was a draft and would require additional edits.

### Ramsey Well Abandonment

Ms. Haan received Ramsey well abandonment log.

### Romer Illegal Septic System Installation

This is an ongoing issue. Ms. Haan reviewed the issue with the Board. A buyer's realtor had contacted the Health Department stating that she believed that a septic system had been installed without a permit, after their hired inspector stated in a report that the system was in failure. Staff investigation of the complaint began by contacting the septic inspector. He stated that he had started an inspection on June 5th that was not able to be completed because the septic tank was overflowing onto the ground surface. He provided pictures to Health Department staff. Staff visited the property and observed the entire backyard had recently been excavated. Through several phone conversations and emails, staff was told that a completely new snap together system had been installed. An initial Notice of Violation letter was sent to the Mr. Romer requiring

him to contact the Health Department. Mr. Romer stated that he had replaced the pipe from the septic tank. At that time, Mr. Romer was asked to excavate the repair back to the fingers, so a determination could be made that only one pipe had been replaced. The first excavation attempt was unsuccessful. A second Notice of Violation letter was sent ordering Mr. Romer to start the process to install a new septic system in compliance with 410 IAC 6-8.3 and the Hendricks County Onsite Sewage Ordinance. Mr. Romer's contacted the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH). After ISDH review of all the documentation, came to the same conclusion as the Health Department and stated in an ISDH staff report that the Notice of Violation letter must be followed to correct the onsite sewage system failure and the illegal installation. The excavation was finally completed, with Mr. Eric Oliver, Health Board attorney. Mr. Kent Minnette, Mr. Romer's attorney, Mr. Romer, Ms. Haan, and Evan Schneck, contractor, on the property. It was evident that a new distribution box, header line, and chamber system had been recently installed without a permit. Mr. Romer and his attorney would like to be heard by the board on December 4th. The Board wanted to know if it was possible to move the hearing to a regular meeting date. Ms. Haan advised the letter received stated that they would like to be heard within 30 days of receipt of letter. She also stated that because she is retiring December 21, she would not attend the next scheduled Board meeting. It was the consensus of the Board to keep regularly scheduled meeting dates unless legally necessary to conduct a meeting on December 4th.

Hart Septic System

Paperwork has been forwarded to Mr. Oliver regarding Mr. Hart living in a trailer without a septic system. There has been no forward movement with this issue.

### **New Business**

2019 Meeting Dates

Mr. Cobb made the motion to approve the proposed 2019 meeting dates. Dr. James Richardson seconded the motion. All were in favor; and the motion passed.

Environmental Health Update

Ms. Haan announced that she would be retiring effective December 21, 2018. She thanked the Board for the direction and support that the Board had given her during her employment. Ms. Darcie Green will also be leaving the Health Department effective November 16, 2018. She is leaving to work full-time at her family business. Ms. Laura Sweet will be the back-up Board secretary in Ms. Green's absence.

Healthy Families Update

Ms. Leanna Truitt stated that their department is fully staffed. Referrals and home visit completions have been increasing. One of the home visit employees will be vacating her position in the Spring to return to school. Ms. Truitt is currently focusing on their Christmas Season and advised the Board that there are still ten local families who need sponsored for Christmas this year.

**Nursing Update** 

Ms. Kandi Jamison introduced Ms. Jenny Plunkett. Ms. Plunkett, who started November 5, is the new full time RN on the Immunization Grant. The nursing department is now fully staffed. They are contracted to bill to Aetna and United and are working on contracting with CareSource. The department has administered over 330 flu shots during their Wednesday flu clinics.

Health Officer Update

Dr. Stopperich thanked Ms. Julie Haan for her contributions, hard work, dedication and for her help when he was new to the Health Board. He has talked to everyone in the Environmental Health Department and has interviewed three candidates to fill Ms. Haan's position. He hopes to decide quickly so that Ms. Haan may assist the new Director before she leaves. Dr. Stopperich attended the first Preparedness planning meeting for the Spring 2019 POD exercise.

**County Council Liaison** 

Mr. Larry Hesson suggested the County Council could possibly appropriate funds to share Ms. Haan's job during the final few weeks before she leaves in December in order to train the new director hire.

Adjourn

Dr. Richardson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:44pm. Mr. Brian Cobb seconded the motion. All were in favor; and the motion passed.

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