

MINUTES – WEST ALLIS BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
Thursday, May 22, 2014

Members Present:	Ald. Reinke Linda Grulke Barbara Janusiak Mary Cay Freiberg Kathy Becker John Ragonese	Excused:	Mark Roberts Ald. Roadt Frank Bialek
		Staff Present:	Sally Nusslock Diane Dubey

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

1. Approval of Minutes of April 24, 2014.

A motion was made by Mary Cay Freiberg and seconded by Barb Janusiak to approve the minutes of April 24, 2014. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Presentation and Discussion: Public Health Ethics

Ms. Nusslock informed the Board that the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) is incorporating Public Health Ethics as a new measure into the Accreditation standards. The purpose is to assess the health department's policies and process for the identification and resolution of ethical issues that arise from the department's program, policies, interventions or employee/employer relations. Utilizing a PowerPoint presentation, Ms. Nusslock discussed the principles of the ethical practice of Public Health and gave an overview of how several other health departments have utilized this in decision making processes. Discussion occurred on how this may be implemented in West Allis.

3. Community Health Assessment

Ms. Nusslock stated that preparation will begin soon for the West Allis/West Milwaukee Community Health Assessment to determine the current health status of the community. A steering committee will be assembled to discuss future trends that will impact the community's health.

4. Accreditation

Ms. Nusslock informed the Board that Part 2 of the Annual Report was submitted. There has been no reply from the Public Health Accreditation Board as of yet. Wauwatosa Health Department has submitted their application for Accreditation.

5. Wisconsin Well Woman Program Update

The State Division of Public Health has set up a website for feedback. Ms. Nusslock represents the southeast region of the State on a planning group aimed at the development and coordination of a new program model.

6. Farmers Market

Ms. Nusslock informed the Board that the Farmers Market and Market Place are open and running. Repairs to the Market are slated to begin this summer. The contract is not out to bid as of yet. Three farmers will be displaced during reconstruction with options being looked at as to where to locate them. Information Technology has set up the infrastructure for the electronic banking transaction needed for the SNAP program. The Hunger Task Force has sent us proofs of the tokens for approval. Contracts will need to be sent out and training provided to the Market Attendant. New cameras have been installed, which provide better surveillance of the Market.

7. Legislative Report

Ms. Nusslock stated there is no new legislative issues to report and that the Legislative Sessions are now closed.

8. Health Department Report

Ms. Nusslock reported the following:

- The Department has passed the 140 Review which allows the department to maintain a Level III status.
- The Health Department took part in an Anthrax Emergency Preparedness exercise. Ms. Nusslock praised Pat Walker from the Information Technology department for developing a GIS map that was able to display and track a plume cloud over Milwaukee County based on location and wind direction/speed. Next year the department would like to arrange a full-functional exercise.
- There have been an increase in the number of garbage, animal feces and dog bite complaints
- Transitioning for the WIC expansion is going well. Interviews have begun for filling positions.
- The Public Health Nurse position has been filled. The new employee comes with an array of experience and has worked for the Milwaukee Health Department, Doctors without Borders and is also bilingual.
- Ms. Nusslock stated that she and Mary Cay Freiberg attended the Wisconsin Public Association Conference May 13 through the 15th in Milwaukee.
- Sewer baiting for rat control has not begun yet. Bids for sewer baiting should be in within the next two weeks.

Kathy Becker excused at this time.

9. Items of Next Meeting

Board informed they could submit any items for the next meeting agenda to Sally or Diane no later than noon on the Thursday prior to the meeting date.

10. Next Meeting – August 28, 2014

The Board will meet on Thursday, August 28, 2014.

11. Adjournment

There being no further business, it was the consensus of the Board to adjourn at 7:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Nusslock
Health Commissioner