



**MINUTES – WEST ALLIS BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
Thursday, March 23, 2017**

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

The meeting was called to order by Alderperson Reinke at 6:00 p.m.

1. Approval of Minutes of February 23, 2017

A motion was made by Ald. Roadt and seconded by Mary Cay Freiberg to approve the minutes of February 23, 2017. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Compensation Study Update

The Compensation Study went to Administration and Finance Committee and was held until more answers could be provided by Carlson Dettman Consulting. The Committee will meet again April 10, 2017.

John Ragonese present at this time.

3. Public Health Ethics - Review

Utilizing a PowerPoint presentation, Ms. Nusslock discussed the principles of the ethical practice of Public Health. 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. She stated that Public Health Ethics is a measure in the Accreditation standards. Discussion of public health ethics as it related to the issue of feral cats and a trap/neuter/release program ensued.

4. Legislative Review and Updates

Ms. Nusslock distributed a copy of the Wisconsin Public Health Association/Wisconsin Association of Local Health Department and Boards (WPHA/WALHDAB) Legislative Grid with current bills that are or have been introduced including bills of interest to Public Health. The Legislative Committee is currently working on the budget. Items discussed included multiple jurisdiction health departments, which has passed, and placement of cigarette/tobacco products by retailers. She stated the Joint Finance Committee will be holding budget hearings with one being held in West Allis on April 5, 2017. Ms. Nusslock added that she was asked by WPHA and WALHDAB to give testimony relative to communicable disease funding on their behalf.

5. Public Health Accreditation

Staff has completed assessing the Public Health Accreditation Board's (PHAB) Guide to National Public Health Department Reaccreditation Process and Requirements. She discussed the reaccreditation requirements set forth by PHAB which will involve more narratives for how the Department functions and how improvements have been made since we were accredited. She stated that the application will need to be submitted by June of 2018. The Department will then have 60 days to submit information requested for each domain. She added that a conference call is scheduled with Wood, Kenosha and Polk counties, who are also due for reaccreditation, to discuss what can be done jointly to help to make the process easier.

6. Farmers Market Report

Ms. Nusslock informed the Board that the Policy and Procedure remains in the Attorney's Office for their review and to establish what fees can be charged. She stated that Hunger Task Force has informed us that tokens have been ordered. The Farmers Market will open the first Saturday in May and Market Place will open the first Sunday in May.

7. Health Department Report

Ms. Nusslock reported the following:

- Sewer baiting is in progress in areas where there has been rodent activity and in areas scheduled for road construction.
- Dealing with problems of uncontained garbage and dog feces
- The Department is currently dealing hoarding cases. The Department is working with the Attorney's Office to create a human health hazard ordinance. This ordinance has been discussed with other City Departments to get their feedback since there is overlapping responses to these cases.
- Dealing with bed bugs complaints
- Noise – Waste Haulers have been picking up prior to 7:00 a.m.
- Communicable Diseases – Flu has hit hard, dealing with cases of Chlamydia, Gonorrhea and Hepatitis C
- Seoul Virus outbreak which started in December in Illinois and Wisconsin. All rats tested in West Allis were negative.
- Birth and Death Certificates requests have increased since the State has allowed persons to apply and receive them at any Register of Deeds office as long as the birth or death took place in Wisconsin. Revenue from the sale of these will reach the total taken in from 2016 by the end of March.
- Latino Health Fair is scheduled for Saturday, March 25, 2017 at Lincoln Intermediate School
- ACT Parenting classes will soon begin which is put out by the American Psychological Association, and will target parents with anger issues to prevent household violence.
- Prenatal Care Coordination group will incorporate small group classes for pregnant moms
- Finishing up with Occupational Health Services for audiogram and spirometry testing for city employees
- Public Health Week is April 3 – 9, 2017 with a theme of "Generation Public Health." The goal is to make a healthier nation in one generation.
- Discussion initiated to set up a Milwaukee County Opioid Death Review group.
- Food Code and updated fees schedule was passed by License and Health

MaryCay Freiberg excused at this time.

8. BOH Requests for Agenda Items for Next Meeting

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

9. Next Meeting

Thursday, April 27, 2017 at 6:00 pm unless matters are brought forward that need to be presented to the Board before that time.

10. Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made by Barb Janusiak and seconded by Ald. Roadt to adjourn at 6:55 pm. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Nusslock
Health Commissioner