Mayor Webster called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Board of Health Members**
Present: Scott Garrison, Rita Hart, Lynn Jones, Dr. Ketring, James Squires
Medical Advisor: Dr. Webb

**Others Present**
Mayor Webster; Holly Emerson, Council representative to the Board of Health
City Staff: Matt Clayton, Health Commissioner; Jean Hicks, Public Health Nurse

Minutes of the December 8th, 2016 Board of Health Meeting – Minutes of the December 8th, 2016 Board of Health (BOH) meeting were considered. Dr. Ketring made a motion to approve the minutes and Mr. Squires seconded the motion. With a unanimous “aye” vote, the minutes were approved as published.

**City Council Report**
Mrs. Emerson provided a report on the December 21st meeting of City Council. She noted that most of the meeting consisted of housekeeping items. There was an Ordinance to claim property at 325 Glensprings Drive, according to new legislature from the Ohio House of Representatives that allows cities to purchase property which fails to sell. January 6th there was a sports pep rally, honoring coaches who have passed away and inducting them into a Hall of Fame. The event was very well-attended and well-received.

At the January 4th meeting, the road improvement bonds were discussed. The bonds total $8.3 million and include underwriting and bond counsel services. Underwriting services are being provided by Katie Kleinfelder, and bond counsel services are being provided by Brenda Wehmer.

**Old Business**

Dr. Ketring inquired regarding the distribution of CRI funds. In the past, funds were given to the City of Cincinnati and then were distributed to health departments within the City. New legislation requires that the Ohio Department of Health will issue funds directly. This will provide more funding to larger jurisdictions and less to smaller jurisdictions. Population may be a determining factor in this decision. Mr. Clayton read a letter from the Association of Ohio Health Commissioners which addressed how the decision was reached, but not why. Mayor Webster inquired if there is a list of how the funds are distributed; Mr. Clayton advised that the information is available on the Ohio Department of Health’s website.

Dr. Ketring also asked about the Three-Step award, specifically how many other communities received it. Mr. Clayton advised that that information has not yet been released. Information for the 2015 winners is available on the Ohio Department of Health website, but it has not been updated to reflect 2016 winners.

Mr. Clayton provided further information to Dr. Ketring for rabies control.
New Business

None.

Health Commissioner’s Report

Matt Clayton

A hotel inspection was conducted at La Quinta by Ella Jergens. La Quinta has historically been one of the best hotels in the City, in both maintenance and cooperation. Most of the items were routine.

An animal bite investigation was conducted regarding a bite that happened in Greene County. The owner of the dog, Patricia Nudds, is a Springdale resident. Ms. Nudds was walking her dog in Greene County when the dog bit another dog, belonging to Mark Heather. Mr. Heather’s dog also bit Ms. Nudds’ dog. The Green County Dog Warden cited both dogs as dangerous. The Springdale Health Department’s investigation concluded on January 4th, however, Ms. Nudds will appear in Hamilton County on January 24th to appeal the citation issued by Greene County.

An individual reported that a service dog was brought into Costco in a cart, and the dog proceeded to sniff food items. Mr. Clayton spoke to the store manager, who insisted there is a policy in place and all employees are familiar with the policy. The manager indicated that he believed the incident had not actually happened. Mr. Clayton advised him that it is imperative that this does not happen again.

A report was given that China Experience was using turkey instead of chicken. The owner provided receipts and boxes for both light and dark meat chicken. The complaint remains unconfirmed.

Men’s Wearhouse at the Tri-County Mall outlot reported dumpster overflow, caused by Chipotle. Employees of Chipotle were informed of the problem. Waste pick-ups have been increased and Chipotle agreed to inspect the dumpster area twice daily and take corrective action as needed.

Food Service Operations

Pit to Plate Barbecue has decided not to continue with plans to open a location at 157 Northland Boulevard, which is at the corner of Northland Boulevard and Boggs Lane (former FedEx Office). The owner is trying to refer another tenant.

Domino’s Pizza provided plan review information for the proposed site at 11424 Springfield Pike, which is the former Happy’s Pizza. Happy’s took the vent hood when they left, leaving a hole in the ceiling. Domino’s has rebuilt and moved forward. Dr. Ketring asked if there will be seating, or if it is take-out only. Mr. Clayton advised the latest plan revision received by the Springdale Health Department outlines seating for 26 patrons.

J Austin’s in Springdale Town Center closed on December 31st, 2016. The recent conversion to a sports bar may have been a contributing factor. The introduction of a Waffle House at the Springdale Town Center in 2015 may have also been a factor.

There was discussion regarding the renovation of Glensprings Plaza.
Public Health Emergency Preparedness Grant/ City Readiness Initiative Grant
CRI Grant requirements have been completed for the half year, and the invoice has been submitted to the City of Cincinnati $2,250.

The PHEP mid-year report is about 70% complete and will be finished, submitted, and invoiced within the week.

Naloxone Report
The City of Springdale Fire Department was called for zero overdoses in the month of December, and no Naloxone was administered.

Mr. Clayton has been doing research on Naloxone grants, and has found a company that produces a form of Naloxone called Evizio. The grant program is called Kaleo Cares. Information was submitted to Chief Hoffman at the Fire Department. The product they are offering is not quite what our Fire Department uses; this product is more suitable for the Police Department to carry. The product is administered differently. Springdale Health Department will not pursue the Kaleo Cares Grant, but continues to research grants. Mr. Clayton has also contacted Hamilton County regarding a supply of Naloxone. The cost per dose is over $60.

Willows Work Group
The Willows Work Group met on January 10th, 2017. Pastor Hensey from Compass Church was a new attendee.

Tax Commissioner Jeff Williams discussed local tax returns. He discussed the benefits and resources for filing taxes.

There have been fewer maintenance complaints from residents.

Maintenance and management came in to discuss improvements planned for this year. The Willows Learning Center was approved by the Building Department and is due to be completed in the spring. Su Casa, Princeton Schools, the Interfaith Worship Center and several others will participate in tutoring.

There has been no forward movement in plans for the Willows playground.

The Chamberlain Park Spring Sports Camp is planned for April 2017. The next planning meeting is scheduled for January 25th. Principal Hoskins from Heritage Hill Elementary is looking into reserving the gymnasium facilities. Mr. Clayton has created a flier. The Vineyard Church has asked a former NBA player to come in for the camp. Princeton Schools may be sending high schools students to help facilitate, as well as volunteers from local organizations.

The Chamberlain Park Block Party is scheduled for May 20th, 2017.

A call-to-action forum is being organized to raise awareness about opiate abuse. Prevention First, Interact for Health, and Higher Ground Ministries are holding the event on Monday, March 27th, 2017 at Higher Ground Ministries (corner of Chesterdale and Crescentville). A meeting will be held at the Municipal Building on January 17th. They have proposed that representatives from the Fire Department, Police Department, and
Health Department participate in an expert panel to provide information to community members in attendance.

**Public Health Accreditation (PHAB)**
The Springdale Health Department continues to work through initiatives for Community Health Improvement Program. That is the last large item that must be completed before applying for Public Health Accreditation. A preliminary Workforce Development Plan has been established. There are seven requirements to apply for accreditation, most of which have been completed.

**Springdale Nuisance Abatement Program (SNAP)**
Minutes from the last SNAP meeting will be available at the February 10th meeting. The focus of that meeting will be short-term, long-term, and intermediate objectives and benchmarking. Mr. Clayton has a goal to improve communication with the hotels and find out how we can make the program more appealing to hotel operators. Some operators are concerned that the program and conversations will inhibit fair competition. The next meeting is scheduled for February 10th, 2017.

**Macy’s Employee Health Fair**
Macy’s held an employee health fair on December 14th, 2016. Approximately 250 employees participated. Mrs. Emerson and Mrs. Hart inquired if the Macy’s facility would be affected by the store closings. Mayor Webster explained that the facility is responsible for back-office operations such as Human Resources and will not be affected. Mrs. Hart asked if the Springdale Macy’s store would be closed. There has been no news of closure. There was discussion regarding the success of Tri-County Mall.

**Springdale Nuisance Animal Control Pilot Program (SNAC)**
The Springdale Health Department received eight new requests for animal traps after the December newsletter was released. Requests are expected to pick up closer to spring.

**Tobacco Cessation**
There has been no response to the Tobacco Cessation Workshop. Mr. Clayton has been discussing changes to the program with Jay Dennis and Charlie Wilson. According to a 2016 health survey, the number of smokers in Springdale appears to be much lower than the surrounding areas. Mr. Clayton contacted the Charles Dater Foundation and asked for a private grant for tobacco cessation efforts. They responded via letter that they are not able to grant the funds.

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**Flu Activity in the US**
Flu activity continues to increase but is still relatively low in most states. There were four states that reported high rates of Influenza-like Illnesses; most of the cases are Influenza A, but some cases of Influenza B have also been reported. The anti-viral medications are working. Dr. Webb reported that to his knowledge, he has only had one positive confirmed case of the flu in his office. Mrs. Emerson reported that flu precautions have been initiated at the hospital. Mr. Clayton advised per the Ohio Department of Health conference call that 643 flu-related hospitalizations have been reported in Ohio since the start of flu season, mostly in seniors and children.
**Latino Coalition of Southwest**
Two community events titled “Know Your Rights” are scheduled for February. The first will be held Sunday, February 5th at the Healing Center, and the second will be held Thursday, February 9th at the Latino Ministry in Forest Park. Topics covered will be immigration and how to complete tax forms. There may also be information regarding Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals.

**Medical Reserve Corps**
The Medical Reserve Corps is planning a summit for Saturday, June 3 in Northern Kentucky. A number of speakers will attend and several programs will be offered, including an Active Shooter Program led by an FBI representative.

**Springdale Health Incentive Program (SHIP)**
A 6-week long weight maintenance program began December 6th. The program is being coordinated by Jean Hicks and Jay Dennis and focuses on improving and maintaining health of Springdale employees.

**Children’s Health Fair**
The Children’s Health Fair will occur on Friday, May 19th at the Springdale Community Center. Last year 519 3rd grade students attended. This is a joint effort with Sharonville Health Department and Princeton Schools’ nurses.

**Healthy Women, Healthy Lives**
The Healthy Women, Healthy Lives program will be presented on June 3rd at the Vineyard Healing Center. This program is presented by Good Samaritan Hospital and Bethesda Women’s Health Group. This program provides free health screenings including blood pressure, glucose, sugar, osteoporosis, and BMI. Mammograms will also be available via appointment.

**Board of Health Discussion**
Mrs. Hart asked for an update on the Springdale Inn & Suites. Mr. Clayton indicated that a return visit has been conducted and progress has been made. The plumbing issue has been resolved.

Mayor Webster presented a proclamation to Dr. Webb for his years of service in Springdale.

The next meeting will be Thursday, February 9th at 7:00 p.m. The Board of Health adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Matthew Clayton, Health Commissioner