Springdale Board of Health
May 9, 2019

Mayor Webster called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

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

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

Minutes of the April 11, 2019 Board of Health Meeting—
Minutes of the April 11, 2019 Board of Health meeting were considered. Dr. Ketring made a motion to accept the minutes from the April 11, 2019 meeting; Mr. Squires seconded the motion. Minutes were accepted by a 3-0 vote. (Mrs. Hart, Mr. Garrison, and Dr. Webb were absent).

City Council Report
Mrs. Emerson gave the City Council Report

April 17, 2019

Ordinance No. 8-2019 (Second Reading and Public Hearing)
AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A ZONE CHANGE FOR THE REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 12000 AND 12050 PRINCETON PIKE IN THE CITY OF SPRINGDALE

Ordinance No. 9-2019 (Second Reading and Public Hearing)
AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE PRELIMINARY DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 12000 AND 12050 PRINCETON PIKE IN THE CITY OF SPRINGDALE

Mrs. Emerson stated that these were ordinances that were discussed at the previous Board of Health meeting that was held on April 11, 2019. The building in question was the old Staples building and the old Overstock building to be used for animal training and boarding facility, pet park, dog day care. The Overstock building would become a self-storage facility. This became a 7-0 vote for a continuance because items were still being worked out regarding signage for the property.
Ordinance No. 10-2019
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CLERK OF COUNCIL/FINANCE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH TEC ENGINEERING, INC. FOR THE PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF THE CITY OF SPRINGDALE’S TRAFFIC CONTROL SYSTEM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

That three-year contract was due to end on April 30. Two options were given. One of the options was to maintain the services exactly as they currently are, and the City would purchase a new server for the Centracs software, to provide high-speed internet connection to the server, and be responsible for the yearly maintenance fee. Option two was TEC would maintain all of the services currently provided as traffic engineers to the City. However, in this option, TEC would provide and maintain a server and the most current version of Centracs as well as be responsible for yearly maintenance fees. Council voted for option two and, with that option, there was a savings of $15,100. It passed with a 7-0 vote.

Resolution No. R6-2019
APPOINTING DOUG STAHLGREN AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

This also passed with a 7-0 vote.

There was a Proclamation for Building Safety Month.

April 24, 2019 Special Council Meeting

Mayor Webster reported on this meeting since Mrs. Emerson was not present for the April 24, 2019 meeting. The meeting was at the Springdale Community Center. This meeting was held to answer questions that residents had regarding the earnings tax increase which was on the upcoming ballot for May 6, 2019. There was a great turnout. Eighteen residents showed up for the meeting. There were many questions about Springrose subdivision, Tri-County Mall, grocery store, etc. The issued passed with 70% in favor of the increase. The Mayor thanked everyone who voted.

May 1, 2019

Resolution No. R7-2019
COMMENDING CITY OF SPRINGDALE PATROL OFFICER KAYLA JUSTICE FOR COMPLETING THE BOSTON MARATHON

Officer Justice completed the Boston Marathon with a time of 3:54:08. That passed with a 7-0 vote.

There was also a proclamation declaring the week of May 12th through May 18th as Police Week.

Old Business
While there was no Old Business, Mayor Webster reminded the Board of Health members that this would be their last meeting until September 12, 2019.
Mrs. Jones asked if, at the April 24, 2019 Special Council meeting, there was any comments or questions regarding the Tri-County Mall. Mayor Webster stated that on several occasions, the Tri-County Mall owners have come before Council and Planning Commission with plans for developments and improvements, but then nothing has been completed.

**New Business**

- None

**Health Commissioner's Report**

**Matt Clayton**

**Nuisances, Animal Bites, and Food Illnesses** - Mr. Clayton provided a summary of complaints since the last meeting; individual complaints were included in the Board of Health packet.

Mr. Clayton stated that a fourth mobile food operation is operating out of the commissary (the old Taco Bell location) for Just Jerks, Empanadas Aqui, and Best Thing Smokin'. It is "Simply French". This facility sells salads and soups which are sold at farmer's markets and are sold cold. That operation was opened on Monday, May 6, 2019. All four operators come in at different times to use the facility. Two in the morning and two later in the day.

School inspection reports were included in the Board of Health packets for Cincinnati Center for Autism and Calvary Christian Academy. The school inspections for Heritage Hill Elementary and Springdale Elementary have been rescheduled.

Mr. Clayton asked if any of the Board members had any questions about specific complaints. There were several (three) complaints regarding 1316 Chesterwood Court. The sewage/water issues were ongoing. Last complaint was resolved as of April 17, 2019.

Mr. Squires had questions regarding what is the definition of a "service animal". Service animals/dogs are to be restrained and are no longer required to have a vest on the animal, however, owner is required to have paperwork stated that the animal is a service animal. There was in reference to Complaint # 2249. Discussion continued regarding when service animals should and shouldn’t be allowed. Mr. Squires also asked for follow up information regarding if a bull terrier is a pit bull. Mr. Clayton discussed follow up information he received from Chief Mathis regarding the vicious dog ordinance. That ordinance does not have a specific breed. It is handled on a case-by-case basis. It is at the discretion of the Springdale Police Department. Dr. Ketting asked to see a copy of the ordinance after the Board of Health meeting. Mr. Clayton stated that while the City did have an ordinance for specific dogs at one time, they were challenged at the State level and the State of Ohio stated that was no longer allowable. Mr. Squires asked Nurse Ellis when latex gloves were no longer permissible for use in restaurants. Discussion continued by other Board of Health members stating that latex gloves are no longer used due to the high allergy rate among individuals. While latex gloves have been slowly phased out of use, it only recently became part of the updated food code this year.
Springdale Quality of Life Improvement Committee
The Book Bag and School Supply Drive will take place sometime this summer. Mr. Clayton is working with Mrs. Russell, Economic Development Director for the City of Springdale to create a letter to give to local businesses for potential donations for the school supply drive. This school supply drive will mainly help children from Heritage Hill Elementary as well as some children from Springdale Elementary.

P.H.A.B. Accreditation -
SHD will focus efforts this summer on finishing all requirements for accreditation by the September 2019 deadline.

Springdale Hotel/Motel Committee
Mr. Clayton stated that while the meeting would be held next week, he would be unable to attend due to seminar training in Columbus Monday through Wednesday (May 13-May 15) and the committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday. Ms. Jergens will be facilitating the meeting, which will have a guest speaker from the Sharonville Convention Center; Executive Director Jim Downton.

Medicaid Administrative Claiming (MAC) Program
Another time study will be next week.

Food Program -
As previously mentioned, there is a new mobile food operation in Springdale (Simply French). Habaneros Mexican restaurant at 925 East Kemper Road, which is next door to Chili’s, has been under renovation for quite some time and hopes to be open by Mother’s Day.

Pool and Spa Program
Program is kicking into high gear with license applications, processing of fees and licenses. Inspections will begin once licenses have been processed.

Public Health Emergency Preparedness Grant
Have had several meetings recently with community partners, including Mapleknoll, Springdale Community Center, Heritage Hill Elementary School, Princeton School District talking about access and functional needs. The intent of these meetings is to create a written plan to address the needs of the AFN population in Springdale in the course of a public health emergency or a natural disaster.

Produce Pop Ups
Last Produce Pop Up was held on Friday, April 26, 2019 and served approximately 100 families. There will be another Produce Pop Up on Friday, May 17, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the Heritage Hill Elementary School lunchroom. At the May 17th Produce Pop Up, Sergio Mata of the FreeStore FoodBank will talk about their programs and services. Future Produce Pop Ups have been scheduled for the 2019/2020 school year.

2019 Mosquito Control Grant –
Springdale Health Department received the Ohio EPA Mosquito Control Grant. The Springdale Health Department was awarded just over $20,000 in funding. Summer student interns will be hired to assist with the mosquito control grant. Dan Gierse will also be assisting again with this program.
Public Transportation Initiative Meeting March 27, 2019
Mr. Clayton stated that he has had several conversations with SORTA (Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority) since the initial meeting in March. Meetings continue in order to open up opportunities to Springdale. Next meeting date has yet to be determined.

2019 Public Health Training at the Springdale Community Center
There were 70 attendees on April 24, 2019 and 64 attendees on April 25, 2019. There were presentations by the Ohio Department of Health, the Ohio Department of Agriculture, the Cincinnati Health Department, and the Hamilton County Public Health District. There was a great deal of positive feedback regarding the training, the Springdale Community Center, and Springdale in general.

Public Health Nurse’s Report
Mrs. Ellis, RN
Nurse Ellis began discussion with information that Mr. Squires had questions on from the previous meeting regarding measles. Nurse Ellis did email Dr. Webb and has not received a response as of yet. Nurse Ellis asked Mr. Squires if he would mind tabling discussion on this topic since Dr. Webb was not present yet. Mr. Squires was amenable to that request.

Hamilton County Drug Overdose Report
Nurse Ellis stated that this report was not available for distribution for the Board of Health packets, but handed out copies to all Board of Health members for their review. The Naloxone Report from the Springdale Fire Department stated that there was one dose of Naloxone used for the month of April. Nurse Ellis stated that on the Hamilton County Overdose Report, there was a slight uptick in the amount of Emergency Room visits; from 199 to 222. Nurse Ellis referred to a map included in the report that shows the local neighborhoods affected by the report. While Springdale shows it has no color (indicating no overdose cases in the Springdale area), unfortunately, Springdale is surrounded by areas that have had overdose cases. Mr. Clayton further noted that this report is by zip code and since Glendale has the same zip code, they are also included in our report by default.

Children’s Health Fair
Was held last Friday, May 3, 2019. There was a total of 20 learning centers for children to interact with. Children’s Hospital had four booth which included one for the emergency room, recovery room, drug and poison information, as well as audiology. A total of 507 students attended the fair in addition to chaperones and teachers. Nine schools were represented from the Princeton City School District. While the volunteers in attendance were a great help, more were needed. There will be a meeting in a few weeks to discuss the fair to find ways to improve the fair/items that went well and also try to pinpoint a date for the next Children’s Health Fair.

Emergency Preparedness Training
Nurse Ellis attended the Regional IMATS (Inventory Management and Tracking System) training on April 18, 2019. This meeting discussed the process to receive emergency medical supplies and how it will be tracked through this system. Nurse Ellis also attended the PHEP program planner’s meeting which was today, May 9, 2019. The meeting today included speakers from the Ohio EMA (Emergency Management Agency) as well as the Ohio version of Council on Aging. Nurse Ellis stated that it was great to network with other individuals as well throughout the State.
Nurse Ellis stated that this report was also unavailable for the Board of Health packets. Nurse Ellis explained that this report breaks out the reportable conditions by counties in Southwest Ohio. While this report does break out Hamilton County’s reportable conditions, it does not further break out by cities within Hamilton County. Fortunately, April was a slow month; only 11 chlamydia and one gonorrhea. The month of May, however, has already been quite busy with one pertussis, one Shigella, one hepatitis c, three chlamydia, and one gonorrhea, and one suspect hepatitis a. The hepatitis a was a seven year old child and Nurse Ellis ended up contacting the physician’s office. It was not an acute case. This child is not infectious right now, it does show that the child recently had a Hepatitis A infection about three weeks ago came from Guatemala and the reason that the child was tested was that the child’s parents reported that several weeks before coming to the United States, the child had an episode of jaundice and it was suspected that he had hepatitis. That was the reason that the child was originally tested. He was not symptomatic here. It was nothing that required concern here regarding contact with others.

Hepatitis A
Every two weeks, there is a multi-jurisdictional call. As of April 14, there was 2,155 outbreak-related cases of Hepatitis A in the state of Ohio from January 18 to the middle of April. Nurse Ellis did have an update on that from the meeting that she had attended previously today. Currently the state is at 2,210 cases of outbreak-related Hepatitis A in the state of Ohio and we have had seven deaths in the state of Ohio. This statistic was “broken out” to give them call participants an idea that from 2016 in the state of Ohio, we averaged 40 cases a year. That’s for the entire state of Ohio. Now, in 2019, we are at over 2,000 in the course of one and a half years. In the United States, our Hepatitis A outbreak started in California. Since, 2016, in the United States; there’s over 15,000 cases of Hepatitis A (outbreak-associated) and there’s been 140 deaths. These statistics are tied to our homeless population, and especially our drug-use population (non-injection and injection) as well as recently incarcerated. Nurse Ellis also included a press release from the City of Cincinnati regarding a restaurant worker from US Chili that was diagnosed with Hepatitis A. The City of Cincinnati received the report late because this worker was originally from Indiana. Fortunately, the City of Cincinnati received an anonymous call from an individual stating that they knew someone who worked at US Chili that had Hepatitis A. The City of Cincinnati began the investigation from there. While this restaurant would be closing soon, there was exposure to fellow employees and the Hepatitis A vaccine then was distributed to patrons of the restaurant as a precautionary measure. Nurse Ellis volunteered here time recently at a Hepatitis clinic to assist in administering the shots to individuals. While the clinic had low numbers, (approximately 20), Nurse Ellis felt it was important to help when possible since that help may be needed down the line and would give us more recent training in handling the situation.

Gastrointestinal Illness Alert
Nurse Ellis reported that there was a Hamilton County gastrointestinal illness alert that went out via email. Approximately two weeks ago, there was 31 people ill with a GI illness. They were experiencing vomiting and diarrhea and it was being traced back to one specific restaurant in Hamilton County. The disease investigator in Hamilton County then sent out an email to all the other surrounding counties in order to give an alert. Nurse Ellis stated that no sooner did she receive the email, then she received a phone call from a person that ate at a restaurant and then became ill. Ms. Jergens interviewed the individual. While the individual had phoned the Springdale Health Department thinking it was
something that was eaten in Springdale, Ms. Jergens was further able to surmise that this individual actually ate at the restaurant that Hamilton County had just emailed the Springdale Health Department about during that time period in question. What became even more interesting was that before calling the Springdale Health Department, the individual called Hamilton County, she told them about the food they had suspected was the issue, and Hamilton County Health Department immediately sent it to the Springdale Health Department without creating a food history. With Ms. Jergens writing a thorough food history, she was able to surmise the potential origin of the illness. Ms. Jergens further explained to the individual that they would still need to call back the Hamilton County Health Department because their health department would be the lead investigator of this food complaint. Hamilton County Health Department then requested and received a stool sample from the individual and it was discovered that it was actually norovirus. The important thing to note that Ms. Jergens got to the source of the problem.

**TB Update**
No update at this time. Information was requested, but nothing was received.

*ODH Health Alert Network*
Measles Awareness and Guidance for Clinicians. While there is not an issue in Springdale, information was received and Ohio Department of Health requested that this information be sent to local daycare centers and local schools as well. Nurse Ellis stated that at the next meeting she will discuss further how to respond to a measles outbreak.

**Board of Health Discussion**
No items for discussion.

The next meeting will be Thursday, September 12, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. The Board of Health meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Matthew Clayton, Health Commissioner