

Meeting Minutes - Draft

Oak Park Board of Health
Tuesday October 27, 2015 - 7 PM
Village Hall – Room 102

Present: Chair Florence Miller; Commissioners Bob Danstrom, Joel Lowrie, Jonathan, Mizgala, Edward Pont, Edgar Vesga (via phone)

Also Present: Mike Charley, Interim Health Director; Lisa Shelley, Deputy Village Manager; Murray Snow, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator; Public: Briana Flores, UIC Student; C.J. Holler, UIC Student

Excused: Commissioner: Jassen Strokosch

- I. Call to Order at 7:00 pm
- II. Approval of Agenda: Agenda approved; first by Danstrom, second by Mizgala
- III. Approval of the Minutes of September 29, 2015: Minutes approved; first by Lowrie, second by Pont

IV. **Public Comment:**

Two UIC Masters in Public Health students, Brianna Flores and C.J. Holler attended the Board of Health meeting. They are both attending the BOH meeting as part of their coursework requirements at UIC.

V. **New Business:**

A. **Presentation on Emergency Preparedness Activities as it Relates to the Health Department :**

Murray Snow, Village of Oak Park Emergency Preparedness Coordinator presented a Powerpoint presentation. The presentation included information on the various emergency preparedness grants (PHEP, CRI, Ebola supplement) he manages, the SNS Statewide full-scale exercise scheduled for June 14-16, 2015, the Village's CERT team, the Village's Medical Reserve Corps, a new social media campaign with animal emergency preparedness and the Village's 911 registry for functional needs. Murray provided information on the Village's Rapid Notify system and how the Village uses it to contact persons registered with the system. Commissioner Danstrom asked about how often the CERT team training will take place. Murray responded that the CERT training will take place approximately one time per year

moving forward. Commissioner Vesga recommended advertising the 911 registry for functional needs at local restaurants. Murray responded that advertising the registry using local businesses is on his radar. Murray added that he is also the Police Training Coordinator for the Police Department.

B. Suicide:

Lisa Shelley communicated that THRIVE approached the Village in regards to the community's mental health including suicide and general mental health. Shelley communicated that Chair Miller also recently met with the Executive Director of THRIVE. Shelley communicated that the BOH may want to consider adding additional discussion and research on mental health to their work plan and at some point consider providing recommendations to the Village Board on this subject. Chair Miller recommended that Commissioner Strokosch consider reaching out to the OP Mental Health Board and Thrive since he has shown interest in being the BOH's liaison on mental health issues.

C. Lisa Shelley communicated to the BOH that Mike Charley was appointed Interim Health Director on October 12, 2015.

VI. Old Business

A. Feedback on Lawn Care brochure:

Chair Miller distributed a draft brochure titled "Oak Park Tips on Keeping Our Yards Green and Waters Clean". This document is being drafted by the Energy and Environment Commission. Chair Miller asked that commissioners review the brochure and provide feedback prior to the next meeting.

B. Tobacco 21:

Chair Miller stated that she is in the process of finalizing a recommendation from the BOH to the Village Board regarding this issue, but she is still waiting for a letter of support from IMPACT and waiting for feedback from the business community prior to submitting the recommendation.

Next Meeting: Tuesday November 24: Review of Communicable Disease Trends in Oak Park

VII. Adjourn at 7:45 pm: First by Lowrie, second by Mizgala