



**MCHENRY COUNTY**  
**BOARD OF HEALTH**  
**MINUTES • JULY 23, 2018**

**Regular Meeting**

**County Board Conference Room**

**7:00 PM**

667 Ware Rd, Administration Building, Woodstock, IL 60098

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order at: 7:00 PM by William Stinson.

PRESENT: McCann, Lorenc, Stinson, Gaffney, Clarke, Axman, Lin, Gugle, Nomm, Karras, Howell, Goodlow, Volant

ABSENT: Faccone, Morawski, Hatch

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**3. MINUTES APPROVAL**

A. Minutes

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED BY VOICE</b>
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**4. CONSENT AGENDA**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Cindy Gaffney
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Ted Lorenc
<b>AYES:</b>	McCann, Lorenc, Stinson, Gaffney, Clarke, Axman, Lin
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Faccone, Morawski, Hatch

A. Disbursements

B. Income & Expenses

C. Administrators Report

Mr. Gugle informed the board that County Administration has received the Department of Health's FY2019 final budget for review. The Department will meet with County Administration to make any necessary adjustments, then the budget will be presented to the Public Health & Community Service Committee. The budget will be brought to the Board of Health Finance Committee in August and then presented to the Board of Health for approval. Mr. Gugle said the last step would be approval from the County Board in November.

Mr. Gugle said a meeting was held with Wold Architecture to review final plans with all the departments involved in the remodel. No problems were found and the County will send the plans out for bidding. The Administration and Environmental Health offices will move to the Administration Building in April 2019, so reconstruction can start in Annex A. The anticipated date of completion is October 2019.

Ryan Sachs was hired as the Department's new Epidemiologist. Mr. Gugle stated Ryan will be working on data projects with all 4 divisions of the Health Department as well as working with our regional partners and the Northern Illinois Public Health Consortium.

- D. ADM Division Report
- E. PHN Division Report
- F. VPH Division Report
- G. IDHS-WIC & Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program (FMNP)
- H. IDHS-Breastfeeding Peer Counseling
- I. IDHS-Family Case Management

Dr. Lorenc asked Ms. Karras why the 2019 Family Case Management grant amount was less than the 2018 amount. Ms. Karras answered that the High Risk Infant Follow-up/Healthworks grant which was previously combined with the Family Case Management grant is now a separate grant, which accounts for the \$ 78,000 difference from Family Case Management.

- J. IDHS-Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants & Children

It was noted by Dr. Lorenc that the 2019 grant amount is less than 2018 for the Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC). Ms. Karras stated it was a reduction based on caseload.

- K. IDHS-High Risk Infant Follow-up (HRIF) / Healthworks (HWIL)

**5. CENTEGRA DISBURSEMENTS**

- 1. Centegra Disbursements

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [5 TO 0]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Joseph Clarke
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Cindy Gaffney
<b>AYES:</b>	McCann, Gaffney, Clarke, Axman, Lin
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	Lorenc, Stinson
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Faccione, Morawski, Hatch

**6. FAMILY HEALTH PARTNERSHIP DISBURSEMENT**

- 1. Family Health Partnership Disbursement

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [6 TO 0]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Ted Lorenc
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Joseph Clarke
<b>AYES:</b>	McCann, Lorenc, Stinson, Gaffney, Clarke, Lin
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	Axman
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Faccione, Morawski, Hatch

**7. CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS - NEW**

- A. Priority Nutrition Care LLC

Ms. Karras explained that this is an affiliation agreement with Priority Nutrition Care LLC which would allow their students to do their internships in our Women, Infants & Children (WIC) program.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Joseph Clarke
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Cindy Gaffney
<b>AYES:</b>	McCann, Lorenc, Stinson, Gaffney, Clarke, Axman, Lin
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Facone, Morawski, Hatch

## 8. PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

### A. Legionella Investigation

Mr. Gugle informed the Board the Legionella investigation is still ongoing, and there have been no new cases reported since July 1st. The outbreak is centered in a 1-1/2 mile radius of the intersection of Route 176 and Walkup Road in Crystal Lake. The outbreak consists of 6 of the 9 original cases plus 3 additional cases; 2 were out of the county and the other was outside of the state. The 3 additional cases were tested but eliminated from the investigation, Mr. Gugle stated. Often times, an investigation may not reveal a single potential source due to the fact that legionella bacteria is so pervasive in the environment.

Ms. Karras stated that in June of 2018, the Communicable Disease program had 9 reported cases of legionella. This was above the baseline for June for McHenry County. An investigation was implemented using a hypothesis generating questionnaire to determine if there was a common environmental source. No common source was identified. Ms. Karras noted one common link identified was a community cluster within a certain radius in the Crystal Lake area. All but one person was hospitalized. One death was reported in these cases.

Ms. Karras said healthcare providers were notified to initiate case findings to find more cases and notified the healthcare community and encouraged them to consider Legionnaire's and consider testing for it. Ms. Karras said long term care facilities were notified that there was positive legionella cases in the county. Phone calls were also made to long term care facilities in the area of the cluster in Crystal Lake.

Two sputum specimens were sent to the CDC for further testing. Ms. Karras said that all cases tested positive in urine antigen tests. Dr. Lorenc added that legionella is identified by a product that is secreted through the kidneys and urine and difficult to isolate from sputum cultures.

Since no single environmental source was identified, Ms. Karras stated we were in contact with the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) as required, who in turn consulted with Center for Disease Control (CDC). The CDC was interested in coming out to help with the investigation. They used the data collected by the Health Department and with a team from the Environmental Health Division determined some common environmental sources they wanted to check.

Ms. Nomm continued that the City of Crystal Lake was contacted and they were very helpful in providing information regarding their potable water supply. No issues were identified with the city's water supply, and it has not been implicated in this outbreak. Ms. Nomm said that there were 2 CDC Environmental Specialists, 3 IDPH Environmental Specialists and staff from the Environmental Health Division that went out in the area to inspect possible sources initially within 1/2 mile radius of the cluster and expanded it to a 1-1/2 mile radius. The team identified 8 locations that warranted sampling. We are waiting on sample results from IDPH and the CDC, which could take up to six weeks. Ms. Nomm said that once the analysis is completed, the results will be provided to the facilities that were sampled. The operators will be provided with recommendations for any corrective action that will need to be implemented.

Ms.Karras stated the CDC is seeing an increase in legionella cases nationwide as well as within our own state and surrounding regional counties.

Ms.Nomm stated this is the 4th legionella investigation the Department of Health has been involved in.

Mr. Gugle informed the board that the CDC commented on how impressed they were with the work that Ms. Nomm and Ms. Karras did with their staff. The CDC team stated that staff was on top of everything and doing the work that needed to be done for this type of investigation. They were very pleased with the hard work and long hours everyone put in during the investigation.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>PRESENTED</b>
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## 9. OLD BUSINESS

## 10. NEW BUSINESS

## 11. BOARD ISSUES

Ms. McCann told the Board that noise has become a big issue for residents in unincorporated areas of the county and the noise ordinance is up for a vote possibly next month and Ms. McCann informed the board of the possibility of the ordinance passing. At the current time, the County does not have a noise ordinance.

Ms. McCann suggested the Board of Health write a letter stating that the Environmental Health Division and Planning & Development have specific agreements with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Public Health staff is not designated to enforce noise violations. It was also noted by Ms. McCann that the neither office is allowed to issue tickets on site, only notices of violation once a nuisance issue has been reported. Ms. McCann said the EPA states the Sheriff's Department enforces noise and violations. Ms. McCann also stated the Sheriff's Office handles the discharge of firearms violations, which is a part of the Nuisance Ordinance.

After further discussion, it was decided by the board that the matter of executing a letter to the County Board should be added to the August agenda for further discussion and a possible vote.

## 12. INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS

### A. IBCCP Survey Comments

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>PRESENTED</b>
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### B. Open Meeting Act Information Sheet

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>PRESENTED</b>
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## 13. OTHER BUSINESS

## 14. EXECUTIVE SESSION (AS NECESSARY)

Mr. Clarke moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:33 pm to enter into Executive Session to discuss candidate interviews for Public Health Administrator, second by Dr. Lin. Motion passed unanimously with a voice vote.

Ms. McCann moved to go out of Executive Session at 8:45 pm, second by Ms. Gaffney. Motion passed unanimously with a voice vote.

Dr. Axman moved to go into regular meeting at 8:45 pm, second by Dr. Lorenc. Motion passed unanimously with a voice vote.

**15. APPENDIX**

A. Media Detail

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>PRESENTED</b>
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B. Webstats

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>PRESENTED</b>
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C. ENV Lab Report

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>PRESENTED</b>
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D. PHN Reports

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>PRESENTED</b>
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E. VPH Reports

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>PRESENTED</b>
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**16. ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Gaffney moved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 9:18 pm, second by Dr. Lorenc. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.