



Seneca County
Health Department

Seneca County Public Health

Board of Health

Meeting Minutes



Date: September 20, 2023	Time: 4:00 p.m.	Location: Meeting held via WebEx and In-person in the Conference Room in the Seneca County Health and Senior Services Building
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Present: In person: Scott King, Joseph Lorenzetti MD, Grace Freier MD, Mary Jump, Timothy Ryan MD, Christina Redding, Elizabeth Borst, Joseph Borst, Kim Abate
WebEx:
Absent: Martha Bond, Tiffany Folk, Dale Freier MD
SCRIBE: Tammy Reynolds

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action Items	Owner	Status (open or closed)
Call to Order Consent Agenda A. Approval of August 16 Mtg. Minutes B. Staff Written/Verbal Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director of Environmental Services • Monthly Warrant of Expenses • Hearing Officer Decisions - Variance Committee Decisions 	<p>The September agenda and written Public Health and Environmental Health reports were sent to members prior to the meeting. A motion was made to approve the August 16, 2023 meeting minutes by Joseph Lorenzetti MD and was seconded by Joseph Borst. Joseph Borst made a motion to accept the written reports with Grace Freier, MD seconding them. All members present voted to accept the department reports and the monthly minutes. The Board reviewed the monthly warrant of expenditures.</p> <p>Mary Jump provided background information and answered questions regarding the recent hearing officer decisions and variance committee decisions. The BOH reviewed and approved the hearing officer's decisions. Grace Freier MD made a motion to accept the hearing officer's decisions with Joseph Borst seconding it. Joseph Borst made a motion to accept the variance committee decisions with Joseph Lorenzetti MD seconding it.</p>	Review/Action	Board	Closed

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<p>Departmental Issues</p> <p>A. Staffing – Introduction of New Employees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director of Preventative Health Services • E.I. Service Coordinator <p>B. Infrastructure Grant Budget</p> <p>C. Possible Extension of COVID ELC Grant</p> <p>D. Building Security Upgrades</p>	<p>The BOH welcomed the two newest employees, Elizabeth Borst and Christina Redding. Scott reported that the infrastructure grant budget is still in the works, has been submitted to the NYSDOH. Waiting for approval from Health Research Inc. (HRI) and Office of Public Health (OPH).</p> <p>Scott reported that he responded to a survey regarding the possibility of the COVID ELC grant being extended. This grant could be used for over-the-counter test kits and clinic supplies. Scott informed the board of the tentative building security upgrades at the entrance to the building.</p> <p>Scott reported to the board that the SCHD will no longer be offering COVID vaccines except to anyone who is uninsured or under insured.</p>	<p>Information/ Discussion/ Action</p>	<p>Scott</p>	<p>Open</p>
<p>Pertussis</p>	<p>Scott reported that there has been an increase in pertussis in the Amish and Mennonite communities. There has been some outreach to those communities to encourage vaccination. Dr. Grace Freier indicated that she thinks the outreach has had a positive effect.</p>	<p>Information</p>	<p>Scott</p>	<p>Closed</p>
<p>Upcoming Events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PHEP Drill – Sept. 30 • HHW Day – Sept. 30 	<p>Scott explained that the SCHD will be holding a COVID test kit dispensing clinic for our PHEP drill. Initially the SCHD was going to be providing a drive through flu vaccine clinic but we were unable to receive the vaccine in a timely manner. Environmental Health will be holding the Household Hazardous Waste collection day on the same day.</p> <p>Dr. Lorenzetti suggested having a Narcan give away as a future drill and asked that the possibility of dispensing Narcan along with the COVID test kits at the upcoming PHEP drill be explored.</p>	<p>Information</p>	<p>Scott</p>	<p>Closed</p>
<p>Agenda Items Submitted by Board Members</p>	<p>There were no items submitted. Dr. Lorenzetti made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Dr. Ryan seconding it.</p>	<p>Information/ Discussion</p>	<p>Scott</p>	<p>Closed</p>

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Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

The next meeting will be held October 18, 2023, at 4:00 PM
Seneca County Health Department Conference Room/via Webex

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Reviewed by,

Scott King,
Director of Public Health

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