

Lake County Illinois

*Lake County Health Department and Community Health Center
3010 Grand Avenue
Waukegan, Illinois
Conference Room #3112*



Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, May 24, 2023

6:00 PM

3010 Grand Ave., Waukegan, IL

Lake County Board of Health

1. Call to Order

President Sashko called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call of Members

Member Parekh joined the meeting at 6:03 p.m. and, therefore, was not present for roll call.

Present 9 - President Sashko, Vice President Ehrlich M.D., Secretary DeVaux, Member Belmonte D.O., Member Cerk, Member Johnson Jones Ed.D., Member Larson Ph.D., Member Parekh and Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D.

Absent 2 - Member-at-Large Hagstrom D.D.S. and Member-at-Large Maine

3. Pledge of Allegiance

This matter was presented

4. Public Comment to the Board

None

5. Awards, Recognitions, Appointments and Reappointments

None

6. Presentations**6.1**

Human Resources Assessment Update: Recommendations and Findings - Nordstrom

Attachments: [HR Assessment Update Presentation](#)

Jerry Nordstrom, Director of Business Operations, reviewed the presentation slides provided in the agenda packet.

7. President's Report

President Sashko reported the following:

1. Member Casey Cesnovar has officially tendered his letter of resignation effective May 23, 2023. The appointment of prospective Board of Health member Nicholas Soulakis will be on the June 13, 2023, County Board agenda and, if appointed, his membership will begin with the June 28, 2023, Board of Health meeting.

2. IDPH reports 24 confirmed cases and 2 probable cases of mpox in Chicago and suburban Cook County since March. All cases were among symptomatic men, a majority of whom had received two doses of the JYNNEOS vaccine. The Health Department is providing mpox vaccination at the Belvidere Medical Building (BMB).

3. A Lake County Fire and Police Safety event was held at Gurnee Mills Mall on May 20, 2023. Over 200 Naloxone kits were distributed prior to 1:30 p.m., which aligns with a recent article about overdose prevention needs and a new 4-year study being done for prevention centers in New York and Rhode Island sent to Board of Health members by Executive

Director Mark Pfister. Staff from Lake County Health Department, 2-1-1, and Lake County EMA were present to support the event.

4. President Sashko will be working with Lisa Kroeger to schedule an orientation for the recently appointed Board of Health members and for those members that did not receive an orientation due to COVID.

5. Thank you to Larry Mackey and Dr. Sana Ahmed, Medical Epidemiologist, for their assistance with issues brought to President Sashko's attention by local municipal leaders and Lake County residents.

5. A new Director of Health Informatics and Technology has been hired and is set to begin on June 20, 2023.

8. Consent Agenda

8.1

April 26, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [BOH Minutes 4.26.23 - DRAFT](#)

President Sashko called for a motion to approve the minutes of April 26, 2023.

Motion by Member Johnson Jones, second by Member Pollina. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 9 - President Sashko, Vice President Ehrlich M.D., Secretary DeVaux, Member Belmonte D.O., Member Cerk, Member Johnson Jones Ed.D., Member Larson Ph.D., Member Parekh and Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D.

Absent: 2 - Member-at-Large Hagstrom D.D.S. and Member-at-Large Maine

9. Regular Agenda

9.1

Proposed Revisions to the Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems (OWTS) Program Administrative Procedures and Policies - Mackey

Attachments: [OWTS Admin Procedures and Policies MAY 2023 TRACK CHANGES](#)

Larry Mackey, Director of Environmental Health, reviewed the information provided in the agenda packet.

President Sashko called for a motion to approve the proposed revisions to the OWTS Program Administrative Procedures and Policies as presented. Motion by Member Pollina, second by Member Belmonte. Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.

Aye: 9 - President Sashko, Vice President Ehrlich M.D., Secretary DeVaux, Member Belmonte D.O., Member Cerk, Member Johnson Jones Ed.D., Member Larson Ph.D., Member Parekh and Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D.

Absent: 2 - Member-at-Large Hagstrom D.D.S. and Member-at-Large Maine

9.2

Proposed Revisions to the Water Well Program Administrative Procedures and Policies - Mackey

Attachments: [Water Well Program Admin Procedures and Policies MAY 2023 TRACK C](#)

Larry Mackey reviewed the information provided in the agenda packet.

President Sashko called for a motion to approve the proposed revisions to the Water Well Program Administrative Procedures and Policies as presented. Motion by Member DeVaux, second by Member Larson. Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.

Aye: 9 - President Sashko, Vice President Ehrlich M.D., Secretary DeVaux, Member Belmonte D.O., Member Cerk, Member Johnson Jones Ed.D., Member Larson Ph.D., Member Parekh and Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D.

Absent: 2 - Member-at-Large Hagstrom D.D.S. and Member-at-Large Maine

9.3

Proposed Revisions to Health Department Employee Policies - Dr. Johnson Jones

Attachments: [Hiring Policy - REDLINE & FINAL](#)
[Leave of Absence - REDLINE & FINAL](#)
[Personal Days - REDLINE & FINAL](#)
[Vacation Leave - REDLINE & FINAL](#)

Dr. Sylvia Johnson Jones, Personnel Committee Acting Chair, informed the Board that the committee met just prior to this regular meeting and recommends approval of the proposed revisions to the Hiring Policy, Personal Days policy, and the Vacation Leave policy. The Leave of Absence policy was pulled from the Personnel Committee agenda as it requires further review and revision based on State's Attorney recommendations.

President Sashko called for a motion to approve the three employee policies as presented. Motion by Member Ehrlich, second by Member Pollina. Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.

Aye: 9 - President Sashko, Vice President Ehrlich M.D., Secretary DeVaux, Member Belmonte D.O., Member Cerk, Member Johnson Jones Ed.D., Member Larson Ph.D., Member Parekh and Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D.

Absent: 2 - Member-at-Large Hagstrom D.D.S. and Member-at-Large Maine

9.4

Provider Reappointments - Dr. Belmonte

Dr. Frank Belmonte, Credentialing Committee Acting Chair, informed the Board that the committee met just prior to this regular meeting and recommends approval of the reappointment of the two providers presented.

President Sashko called for a motion to approve the reappointment of the two providers presented. Motion by Member Belmonte, second by Member DeVaux. Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.

Aye: 9 - President Sashko, Vice President Ehrlich M.D., Secretary DeVaux, Member Belmonte D.O., Member Cerk, Member Johnson Jones Ed.D., Member Larson Ph.D., Member Parekh and Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D.

Absent: 2 - Member-at-Large Hagstrom D.D.S. and Member-at-Large Maine

10. Discussion Items

None

11. Attachments for Board Review

None

12. Lake County Community Health Center Governing Council Update

Executive Director Mark Pfister informed the Board that the RFP for value-based care consulting services has been issued and some proposals received. The team has reviewed those proposals and the chosen one will be brought to the Board at the June 28, 2023, meeting for consideration and approval.

13. Lake County Tuberculosis Board Update

None

14. Added to Agenda Items

None

15. Old Business

None

16. New Business

None

17. Executive Session

None

18. Adjournment

President Sashko adjourned the meeting at 6:47 p.m.