

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH OF THE CITY OF CUDAHY HELD AT THE MUNICIPAL
BUILDING, 5050 SOUTH LAKE DRIVE, CUDAHY, WI ON TUESDAY,
January 25, 2011

ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 PM by Chairman Ponec with the following members present: Gerald Ponec, Lynn Damitz, Dr. Johnson, Robert Grams, Carol Wantuch and Neal White. Absent and excused: Dr. Sherman, Ald. Mary Schissel and Rebecca Owen.

OPENING STATEMENT

The proper opening statement was read.

APPROVE MINUTES

Moved by Robert Grams, seconded by Dr. Johnson to approve the minutes of the November 23, 2010 meeting.

All voting in favor.

HEALTH OFFICER REPORT

1. Annual Report

Carol Wantuch is presently working on the report. Dr. Sherman is also writing an article to be added to the annual report.

2. New Phone System

The new system will be in operation shortly. The main numbers will remain the same but direct lines will be added with different numbers.

3. New Restaurant

A Mexican restaurant will be opening at the previous I.Q. restaurant in Packard Plaza.

4. Emergency Preparedness

The emergency plans for the senior housing units at Evergreen Square and Washington Square are almost completed. Training for all involved will be taking place. A drill for all residents will also occur.

5. Ammonia Leak

There was a leak at Patrick Cudahy on January 3rd, 2011. It was quickly controlled and no injuries or damages resulted

6. Dog Bite

A six month old mastiff, bit a lady in the South Shore parking lot earlier in January. The dog was quarantined but bit a neighbor on January 14, 2011. The man was bitten in the neck and hand. The owner of the animal received a citation for harboring a vicious dog after consultation with the City Attorney. The animal has been removed from the City until the Cudahy Municipal Judge makes a determination on the situation.

7. Bat Bite

A Waukesha area man died this year as a result of a bite by a rabid bat.

8. House in Disarray

A home on Bottsford was found to be unfit for human habitation when EMT's responded to a 911 call. The property has been cleaned up and is now livable again.

9. Pilot Project

Cudahy is part of a project concerning lead level in blood. A registry is available which provides access to all data related to individual's lead level.

10. School Surveillance

Accurate records are being kept on a daily basis of all absences in Cudahy Schools. It was noted that from October through November, 2010 23% of absences were from respiratory problems and 30% were related to upset stomachs. From December 20, 2010 to present 25% were respiratory related, 14% flu / G.I. stomach problems..

11. 2010 Budget

The Health Department spent 99.9% of budgeted amount and received 147.2% of projected revenue.

12. Hexavalent Chromium in the Water

The City of Milwaukee recently found traces of this in their water. Cudahy has tested at the source, at the plant and from a faucet with no traces found.

Moved by Dr. Johnson, seconded by Lynn Damitz to accept the Health Officer's report.
All voting in favor.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Fluoride in Water

The Department of Health and Human Services has now suggested that the amount of fluoride added to water be reduced from the recommendation of 1.2 milligrams/liter to 0 .7 milligrams/lit. The reasoning is that children are getting fluorides from sources today than they were in the early 1960's.

2. Health Assessment

The Cudahy Health Assessment will be on the Agenda for the next Board of Health meeting.

Moved by Lynn Damitz, seconded by Robert Grams to accept the report.
All voting in favor.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, February 22, 2011 at 6:15 PM.

ADJOURN

Moved by Robert Grams, seconded by Dr. Johnson to adjourn (6:58 PM).
All voting in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Neal White, Secretary