

CITY OF MIDDLETOWN
BOARD OF HEALTH
Minutes
May 11, 2021

The City of Middletown Board of Health met in remote and regular session at 7:30 AM on May 11, 2021.

Members Present

Mayor Nicole Condrey, BS, President
Jeff Bonnell
Ruth Lolli
Charlene Kurtz, BSN, RN
Dr. Ken Patrick, DVM
David Schul

Health Department Staff Present

Jackie Phillips Carter, MPH, BSN, RN
Carla Ealy, RS
Chandra Corbin, BSN, RN
Amanda McDonald

Absent and Excused

Margie Davis, RN

ROLL CALL

Motion: Dr. Patrick moved, seconded by Mr. Bonnell to excuse Ms. Davis
Roll call vote: Yes-5 (Bonnell, Lolli, Kurtz, Patrick, Schul). No-0. Motion passed.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES-April 2021

Motion: Mr. Schul moved, seconded by Ms. Kurtz to approve the April 2021 Board of Health Meeting Minutes.
Roll call vote: Yes-5 (Bonnell, Lolli, Kurtz, Patrick, Schul). No-0. Motion passed.

RECEIVE AND FILE FINANCIAL REPORT-April 2021

Motion: Mr. Bonnell moved, seconded by Dr. Patrick to receive and file the April 2021 Financial Report.
Roll call vote: Yes-5 (Bonnell, Lolli, Kurtz, Patrick, Schul). No-0. Motion passed.

EDUCATION PRESENTATION- Sexually Transmitted Infections (continued)

Dr. Jennewine informed the board that according to the most recent data, one in every five people contract a sexually transmitted infection (STI) during any given year. Sixty-eight million people are diagnosed with an STI annually. Half of those diagnosed are aged 15-24 years old. The annual cost of treatment in the United States is estimated at 16 billion dollars.

The most common STI is human papillomavirus (HPV), there are 13 million new cases diagnosed each year, and an estimated 42 million people living with the infection. HPV is a group of over 170 viruses. 90% of people have or have had HPV with it spontaneously resolving in two years or less. 10% of individuals that are infected with HPV develop precancerous lesions or genital warts. Nearly all cervical cancers are due to HPV exposure. There is no treatment available once HPV is contracted, however; vaccines are evolving rapidly, Gardasil 9 can prevent up to 90% of HPV cases if given before an individual becomes sexually active.

Chlamydia is the most common bacterial infection. Antibiotics, specifically Zithromax, can be used to effectively treat and cure chlamydia. If left untreated, chlamydia can cause: infertility, ectopic pregnancy, and pelvic inflammatory disease. Gonorrhea is a bacterial infection that can cause burning while urinating, pelvic inflammatory disease, and infertility. Many of those infected with gonorrhea have no symptoms thereby increasing the rate of the spread of the infection. Long term effects of untreated gonorrhea can include prostate cancer in men and inflamed heart muscles. There has been a resurgence of syphilis in the last five years. There are four stages of the syphilis infection. The first (primary) stage occurs two-four weeks after exposure, a sore (chancre) that is usually painless develops near the site where infection entered the body. This sore typically heals within three-six weeks without treatment and often goes unnoticed. The second stage (secondary) occurs four-ten weeks after exposure and is characterized by a skin rash. Patients may also experience fever, sore throat, weakness, and weight loss among other symptoms. The third stage (latent) involves no symptoms, this stage can last for as little as one year or as long as twenty years. The fourth and final stage (tertiary) typically occurs three-fifteen years after initial infections. During this stage, patients can suffer from neurological problems, tumors, soft tissue non-cancerous growths, heart infections. There is a high rate of mortality in tertiary syphilis.

OLD BUSINESS

COVID

Ms. Phillips Carter informed the board that Pfizer will be approved for patients twelve and older as early as tomorrow (May 12, 2021). Ms. Phillips Carter is working with Atrium Medical Center and Warren County Health District to secure Pfizer supply, CMHD will be vaccinating Middletown youth population. Ms. Phillips Carter is working closely with City of Middletown School District Superintendent, Marlon Styles, to facilitate a youth vaccination clinic this summer. Ms. Phillips Carter informed the board that CMHD is looking for additional vaccine opportunities, stating that working with nursing homes and resident families are a good opportunity moving forward.

Ms. Phillips Carter informed the board that the Johnson and Johnson vaccine has been reinstated.

PHAB

Ms. Phillips Carter informed the board the PHAB virtual site visit will be held on Tuesday, May 25th, Wednesday, May 26th, and Thursday, May 27th. Mr. Schul has volunteered to participate in the ZOOM meeting, we still need two more board members to volunteer.

NEW BUSINESS

Travel Authorizations

None.

Adoption of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Statement

Ms. Phillips Carter explained that it is required by PHAB that CMHD has a Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Statement, it must be adopted by the board of health to be effective.

Motion: Dr. Patrick moved, seconded by Ms. Lolli to adopt the Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Statement.

Roll call vote: Yes-5 (Bonnell, Lolli, Kurtz, Patrick, Schul). No-0. **Motion passed.**

Review and Approval of City of Middletown Health Department New Board of Health Member Orientation Packet

Ms. Phillips Carter explained that though the City of Middletown has their own orientation for boards and commissions, CMHD needs to have a separate orientation packet which is to be approved by the board of health for new board members. Ms. Condrey inquired about House Bill 110. Ms. Phillips Carter explained that the bill originally contained language stating that city health departments serving less than 50,000 residents "must" combine with county health districts. The language of the bill has now changed to "may" go through a feasibility study to consider combining with county health districts. The senate has added that the cost of the feasibility study will fall on the state. Ms. Phillips Carter

went on to state that if the city health department's city charter contains language stating that the city shall have a health department, this bill will not affect the city health department. CMHD is chartered and will not be affected by House Bill 110.

Board of Health Committee Discussion

Ms. Phillips Carter informed the board that city council will be meeting on May 18, 2021, to vote on new boards and commissions members. Ms. Kash, who has previously served on the board of health, has re-applied to take Dr. Anita Scott Jones position. If selected, Ms. Kash will take Dr. Scott Jones' place on the finance committee.

REPORTS

Health Commissioner

Ms. Phillips Carter informed the board that CMHD has started holding weekly walk-in clinics every Thursday from 12:00pm-1:00pm in council chambers of the city building. CMHD nurses have also been vaccinating homebound residents on these days. Ms. Phillips Carter stated that CMHD has also been attending the Oaks Church Food Pantry on the first Tuesday of the month to offer vaccinations.

Ms. Phillips Carter informed the board that Butler County Board of Developmental Disabilities gave all three Butler County Health Commissioners recognition for their continued hard work throughout the pandemic. Butler County Board of Developmental Disabilities would like to give all three Butler County boards of health the Partner of the Year Award. YWCA collaborated with Butler County Commissioners to proclaim May 18, 2021, as Health Commissioner Service Recognition Day, this proclamation was presented to Health Commissioners Jackie Phillips Carter, Jennifer Bailer, and Kay Farrar for their positive impact of service to our communities throughout the pandemic.

Medical Director

Dr. Jennewine reported on the communicable disease numbers for the month of April.

Chlamydia infection	25
COVID-19	203
Gonococcal infection	8
Hepatitis A	1
Hepatitis B	2
Hepatitis C	8
Legionellosis	1
Streptococcal-Group A	1
Streptococcus Pneumoniae	1
Tuberculosis	1

Director of Nursing

Ms. Corbin informed the board that as of today (May 11, 2021) there have been 4,789 positive or probable cases of COVID among City of Middletown residents. There have been 26 new cases reported in the last 11 days. CMHD has given 7,295 doses of Moderna vaccine and 289 doses of Johnson & Johnson vaccine. CMHD currently has 7,720 doses of Moderna vaccine available and 25 doses of Johnson & Johnson available.

Ms. Corbin informed the board that the state is encouraging local health departments to work with Public Consulting Group. This company will attempt to contact all new and probable cases of COVID by calling them three times over two days. This will assist CMHD in contact tracing efforts.

Environmental Director

Ms. Ealy informed the board that CMHD is still waiting on the courts to serve summons on six individuals that have failed to connect to city sewer.

Ms. Ealy stated that there is one septic failure located on Hendrickson Road. The only option for this homeowner to connect is through Fischer Homes. If the homeowner does not connect to city sewer, he will have to vacate the home due to the failure. There are two additional failures located within the city. One of those failures will have to use an off-site discharging system that will be monitored by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Ms. Ealy informed the board that, due to inclement weather, Shriner's Car Show was moved to Sunday, May 15, 2021. Women's Wine and Chocolate Walk will also be taking place on May 15, 2021. Both of these events have acquired temporary food permits.

Ms. Ealy informed the board that a new business, Hunan Bistro, is in the process of obtaining their food license. Dairy Queen opened for business on Monday, May 10, 2021. Long-time Middletown mobile food truck licensee, Legacy 4, has opened a potato bar in the Pendleton Center.

The Woodlands Nursing Home has changed its name to The Winfield at Middletown.


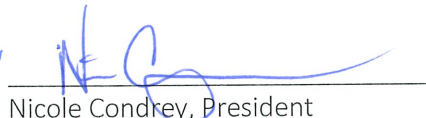
Ms. Ealy stated that CMHD has collected all swimming pool license fees. There are still ten Food Service Operations (FSO) and Retail Food Establishments (RFE) that need to pay for their food licenses.

Ms. Ealy informed the board that the job title "Registered Sanitarian" has now been changed to "Environmental Health Specialist."

Open discussion followed. Mayor Condrey informed the board that she will be speaking at the Butler County Suicide Prevention Coalition. Mayor Condrey is also serves on the Veteran Advisory Board of the Concussion Legacy Foundation in collaboration with Project Enlist. The goal of Project Enlist is to serve as a catalyst for critical research on traumatic brain injury (TBI) that is often a significant problem for active and veteran military members.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 AM. The next meeting will be held on June 8, 2021 at 7:30 AM.


Jacquelyn D. Phillips Carter, MPH, BSN, RN
Secretary
Nicole Condrey, President
City of Middletown Board of Health