

Board of Health Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, April 18, 2023 – 5:30 pm

1) Call to Order

Dr. Meyer called the meeting to order at 5:32 pm.

2) Roll Call of Members

Board of Health Members in Attendance: Dr. Harlan Meyer, Kathleen Gravelle, Dr. Beth Whitted, Dr. Abby Norris Turner, Dr. Stephanie McClure

Others in Attendance: Ben Kessler, Mayor; Amy Jennings, Animal Control Officer; Sam Marcellino, City Council Liaison; Dave Hrdlicka; Code Enforcement Officer

3) Old Business

a) Approval of April 18, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Dr. Whitted moved to accept minutes.

Ms. Gravelle seconded.

All in Favor: Dr. Harlan Meyer, Kathleen Gravelle, Dr. Beth Whitted, Dr. Abby Norris Turner, Dr. Stephanie McClure

Motion passed 5-0.

4) Mayor Kessler's Update

- Tobacco Retail Licensing Ordinance 48-22
- Social Services RFP
- Year of the Parks

Mayor Kessler invited Mr. Marcellino to share the details of the research and rationale behind the recently passed Tobacco Retail Licensing Ordinance, which he did. Mayor Kessler then provided an update on the Social Services RFP.

Mr. Marcellino provided an update on the mosquito spraying test program clarifying that the study resulted in some good data but that the study facilitators presented no recommendations to City Council regarding spraying. Their opinion is that more data is needed so Council is not moving forward with any related legislation at this time. Mayor Kessler did mention that Council has been considering the scenario of private spraying, which doesn't require the same opt out option to neighbors. They will continue to research this issue.

Mayor Kessler then provided a brief Year of the Parks presentation.

Mayor Kessler also provided an update on the Ferndale Mayfield area and steps the City is taking toward remediation of this area. Mayor Kessler also answered several questions regarding this matter. This is a long-term process and the Mayor will continue to keep the Board of Health updated with developments.

5) New Business

None.

6) Quarterly Reports

a) Environmental Health

b) Health Systems and Planning

c) Prevention and Wellness

d) COVID-19 Please visit the link before for COVID-19 updates.

<https://covid-19.myfcph.org/updates/#mrr>

Ms. Jennings provided an update on the dog bite report. There was a brief conversation about the bat encounter and there was discussion about educational information about how to handle a bat encounter. Hearing no further questions, Dr. Meyer moved on.

The Environmental Health report was discussed with Mr. Hrdlicka providing some detail on a couple of the reports.

Ms. Seagraves then covered some of the highlights of the Prevention and Wellness report and also clarified the state of emergency and related measures associated with the COVID-19 will be ended in May of 2023. There was a question about measles and if there have been more incidents, and Ms. Seagraves confirmed there are not.

7) Date of Next Meeting

The next Board of Health Meeting will be held on July 18, 2023.

8) Adjourn

Dr. Meyer adjourned the meeting at 5:49 pm.