

Minutes

**Oak Park Board of Health
Tuesday, June 27, 2017- 7:00 PM
Village Hall – Room 102**

Present: Chair: Florence Miller; Commissioners: Noel Chavez, Bob Danstrom, Edgar Vesga; Staff Liaison: Mike Charley, Health Director, Dino Andrews, Village Trustee Liaison

Excused: Commissioners: Adrienne Rogers, Jonathan Mizgala, Dhana Ganesan

Guests: Arwa Kadiani, Illinois Benedictine Masters in Public Health Student

- I. Call to Order @ 7:04 pm
- II. Approval of Agenda: Approved, first by Vesga, second by Chavez
- III. Approval of the Minutes of May 23, 2017: Approved, first by Danstrom, second by Chavez
- IV. Public Comment: Arwa Kadiani, Masters in Public Health Benedictine University, attending to observe a BOH meeting.
- V. Commissioner Updates:
 - A. Vesga provided some updates on A Day in our Village, upcoming opportunities and his conversations with the Village's Communications Department. Vesga communicated that at a Day in Our Village commissioners were in participation including Noel Chavez, Bob Danstrom, Adrienne Rogers, Jonathan Mizgala, and our Chair, Florence Miller. The event was well attended in the morning, but the number of visitors reduced in the afternoon in part due to graduation ceremonies in Oak Park Village held the same day. Board of Health members answered questions mainly related to: mosquito control, emergency preparedness, evacuation plans for property owners, rats and concerns raised by media outlets and ticks. Printed resources included: File for Life, Water safety, Mosquito control, West Nile Virus, First Aid posters, etc.

The Board of Health manned an information table at the Farmers' market on June 17th, 2017. The following commissioners were in participation: Jonathan Mizgala, Edgar Vesga, and our Chair, Florence Miller. Visitor's inquired about mosquito abatement, ticks, and bike helmet safety. Printed information was provided related to CRP/First Aid, Mosquito control, File for Life, Helmet Safety, Water safety, West Nile Virus, etc. There were several information requests related to ticks, Edgar inquired whether tick information could be provided by the Village in some form or fashion.

In regards to upcoming opportunities, Edgar communicated the following:

- Disability Access Commission (DAC): Identified opportunities for members of the Oak Park Disability Access Commission to participate in the development/feedback of the Oak Park's iPlan. DAC is interested in assessing the community's needs as it related to disability access, thus creating an opportunity to leverage Oak Park's Community Health Needs Assessment data currently being collected to align DAC's strategies with Oak Park's iPlan. Department of Health will follow up as appropriate.

- Fire Department - Partner with the Fire Department to promote Safety Month during the month of October – Chair Miller in conversations with Assistant Fire Chief
- October Fest - Partner with October Fest to promote awareness about changing batteries for smoke detectors - Chair Miller is in conversations with the group

Finally Edgar communicated that he has had preliminary conversations with the Village of Oak Park - Communications Department (Mr. David Powers) to identify ways to support their efforts in providing public health information. Some possible opportunities for collaboration are:

- Board of Health commissioners to contribute with health related content for the Village’s website
- Review flyers and website and provide suggestions to the Village for updates
- Contribute content for some of the 9 newsletters, electronic news (distribution over 3000), YouTube videos, etc.
- Creation of flyers/awareness materials from the Board of Health
- Creation of support material for the dissemination of ordinances originated from BOH recommendations like 18 to 21, Bike helmet safety, etc.
- Board of Health needs to prioritize opportunities and partner with Mr. Powers and also Mr. Eric Jacobson (social media) to leverage synergies with the Village for promotion of health content.

- B. BOH Marketing: Danstrom recommended that a poster be created for marketing purposes so that the BOH can show what items the BOH has worked on and/or is working on currently including things like Tobacco 21, bike helmet safety, etc.

VI. Old Business

- A. Health Department IPLAN Update: Staff Liaison and Health Director Mike Charley provided an update on the process providing information on the recent stakeholder meetings and next steps in the process.
- B. Day in Our Village: See Vesga’s update above.
- C. Farmers Market: See Vesga’s update above.
- D. Police Department Bike Helmet Data: Danstrom communicated that the Police Department has provided the BOH with detailed information on Police Department bike helmet activities. This information helps the BOH better understand what the Police have done with the ordinance up to this point. Miller communicated that she has identified bike safety online resources. Miller will be sharing the information she obtained with Chief of Police Tony Ambrose via email. Danstrom indicated that he will reach out to the Police for additional bike helmet statistics in September 2017.

VII. New Business

- A. 2018 BOH Work Plan review timeline: Miller indicated that she needs the commissioners to review the 2017 BOH work plan and identify what items have been accomplished to-date and what should be continued to 2018. This will be discussed more thoroughly at the next BOH meeting. The 2018 Work Plan must be approved at the BOH September meeting.

VIII. Adjourn @ 8:40 pm, first by Vesga, second by Danstrom