



## **OPENING SESSION**

### **Date and Time of Meeting:**

October 20, 2022 - 5:00pm

### **Type of Meeting:**

Regular Meeting of the Marion Public Health Board

### **Meeting Called to Order:**

The meeting was to order at 5:00pm on Thursday, October 20, 2022.

### **Roll Call- Members Present:**

Sherrie Bosley-Litscher; Dr. Janchar; Ginger Kauble; Rob Lill; Amy McDonald; Mick Williams

### **Members Absent:**

Kevin Lytle - Excused

### **Others Present:**

Traci Kinsler, Health Commissioner; Sarah Nicewaner, Director of Population Health; Jessica Woods, WIC Director; Tyler Pigman, Director of Environmental Health; Lisa Cook, Fiscal Coordinator; Jerry Marquis, Facility Coordinator; Butch Winslow, DAC Chairperson

### **Guests Present:**

Luke Henry expressed concerns about the potential demolition

### **Agenda:**

#### **Opening Session**

Roll call and establishment of quorum

Approval of previous minutes (Vote)

#### **Information Session** (No Voting)

Public Comment

Information Only Items

Information for Action Items

#### **Work Session**

Voting on action items (See Action Item Summary Sheet)

#### **Board Training**

EH\_Division Overview

### **Adoption of the Agenda:**

**Motion: To adopt the agenda of the October 20, 2022 Marion Public Health Board Meeting:**

**Motion Made By:** Mick Williams



**Motion 2nd By:** Dr. Janchar  
**Discussion:** None  
**Approved By Voice Vote**

**Approval of Minutes:**

**Motion: To approve the minutes of the September 15, 2022 Regular Marion Public Health Board Meeting.**

**Motion Made By:** Amy McDonald  
**Motion 2nd By:** Ginger Kauble  
**Discussion:** None  
**Approved By Voice Vote**

**INFORMATION SESSION**

**Forum for Public Comment:**

Luke Henry wanted to make an appearance and invite discussion and collaboration about 197 S. Main Street. Mr. Henry wishes to save historic buildings in downtown Marion and feels there is potential with the building in the downtown district. Mr. Henry does not feel there is a parking problem in downtown Marion. While Mr. Henry is not necessarily interested in the building and has never been in the building, he feels the building should be repurposed. He was hoping for an invitation for discussion and community collaboration. Traci Kinsler stated that MPH has as many as 100 people per day in and out of our agency including elderly, disabled, pregnant women as well as parents with small children. Walking blocks is not ideal for our clients and added that we cannot currently provide adequate parking for this client base. Traci Kinsler added that MPH was awarded the Brownfield Remediation Grant because building has been deemed a public health hazard and nuisance due to both asbestos and lead based paint. Traci spoke with the State Historic Preservation Office and because the building has been deemed a health hazard it can be demolished with a recommendation to create some type of recognition to the history of the property. Because of the significant alterations done to the building, it has been deemed non-contributing to the local historic downtown district. In the last 30 years many local people and groups have declined the opportunity to repurpose the building. The value is in the lot and not the building. Because it is a health hazard, and we are the local health department, we feel a responsibility to abate this hazard to our community. We are concerned that the building could sit vacant for another 30 years because it is cost prohibitive to repurpose. Traci added that when the board approved for the asbestos abatement and potential demolition during the March meeting the asbestos removal was for demolition and not renovation. There is an additional approximately \$150,000.00 expense to abate the remaining asbestos. Marion Public Health is committed to the continued growth and revitalization of downtown Marion and through additional services we will play our part in that initiative. Economic growth potential for MPH can come from a potential mobile clinic set-up outside and taken into the community and could create the potential for "drive thru" vaccine clinics and in turn bring people to our downtown. The additional parking is a priority for our clients and not our staff. Luke added that he has not encountered the abating of asbestos in his renovated properties, so he did recognize that this does add challenges to repurposing the building.



Jerry or Van will be available to show Luke the building any time he is available.

**Information Only Items (Not Requiring Board of Health Action):**

**Health Commissioner:**

None

**Public Health Nursing:**

COVID-19 Update: Current vaccination rates: 53.31% for 1<sup>st</sup> doses started and 49.99% completed We have provided 2,933 doses of the bivalent vaccine. In September we had 432 community cases. In the last two weeks we had 157 cases reported and we have a total of 281 community deaths to date. For October our wastewater viral gene copies have increased. In September we had outbreaks in 6 long term care facilities with 27 staff and 21 residents.

**Environmental Health:**

Asbestos abatement for demolition is complete at 197

**WIC:**

None

**Policy & Planning:**

None

**Items Presented for Board Consideration/Action (See Action Item Summary Report):**

**Health Commissioner/Fiscal Activity:**

Approve Financial Transactions & Payment of Bills as Presented

Approve agreement with The Baldwin Group Inc.

Approve contract with Bright Values Consulting firm

**Population Health/Public Health Nursing:**

None

**Environmental Health:**

First reading and timeline of the 2023 Proposed Environmental Health Fees

**WIC:**

None

**Policy & Planning:**

None

**Medical Director's Report:** No additional report.

**President's Comments:** No additional report.

Board of Health Training- Tyler Pigman presented activities of the EH Division.

Traci asked the board what they want her to do next regarding 197 S. Main Street. Tyler has not had anyone express an interest in the building until the demo asbestos abatement was completed. Jerry added that the south side of the building is crumbling. Sherrie added that she does not see any need to slow down our timeline but that we remain open to any serious solutions within that timeline. Sarah expressed concerns about our ability expand services. Amy stated that after 30 years of this building sitting vacant no one has been able to come up with workable and affordable plan. Rob added that he



does not feel anyone will truly “mourn the loss” of the building as stated by Luke, parking is an issue in downtown Marion and the building is not historic. If this building should change hands there could potentially be issues with the use of the current parking lot property. The board’s plan is to proceed with the original plan and to contract with a landscape design group. Traci will be meeting with the Downtown Design Review Committee in November.

**WORKING SESSION**

**Action Items:**

**Resolution#2022-10-46:** Be it resolved that the District Board of Health approves the financial transactions and payment of bills as presented.

**Motion Made By:** Mick Williams

**Motion 2nd By:** Dr. Janchar

**Discussion:** None

**For:** Sherrie Bosley-Litscher; Dr. Janchar; Ginger Kauble; Kevin Lytle; Amy McDonald

**Against:** None

**Abstentions:** None

**Disposition:** Carried

**Resolution#2022-10-47:** Be it resolved that the District Board of Health approves the renewal of the 1-year software maintenance and support agreement with The Baldwin Group Inc in the amount of \$3,157.22.

**Motion Made By:** Mick Williams

**Motion 2nd By:** Sherrie Bosley- Litscher

**Discussion:** None

**For:** Sherrie Bosley-Litscher; Dr. Janchar; Ginger Kauble; Kevin Lytle; Amy McDonald

**Against:** None

**Abstentions:** None

**Disposition:** Carried

**Resolution#2022-10-48:** Be it resolved that the District Board of Health does hereby present the first reading of the 2023 Proposed Environmental Health Fees.

**Motion Made By:** Mick Williams

**Motion 2nd By:** Dr. Janchar

**Discussion:** None

**For:** Sherrie Bosley-Litscher; Dr. Janchar; Ginger Kauble; Kevin Lytle; Amy McDonald

**Against:** None

**Abstentions:** None

**Disposition:** Carried



**Resolution#2022-10-49: Be it resolved that the District Board of Health does hereby approve the contract with Bright Values Consulting firm to provide culture strategy services to Marion Public Health in the amount of \$3,000.00.**

**Motion Made By:** Ginger Kauble

**Motion 2nd By:** Amy McDonald

**Discussion:** The board received an email today that included the draft audit report

**For:** Sherrie Bosley-Litscher; Dr. Janchar; Ginger Kauble; Kevin Lytle; Amy McDonald

**Against:** None

**Abstentions:** None

**Disposition:** Carried

**Resolution#2022-10-50: Be it resolved that the District Board of Health approves contacting with a landscape design group TBD for the proposed lot at 197 S. Main Street not to exceed \$10,000.00.**

**Motion Made By:** Ginger Kauble

**Motion 2nd By:** Amy McDonald

**Discussion:** None

**For:** Sherrie Bosley-Litscher; Dr. Janchar; Ginger Kauble; Kevin Lytle; Amy McDonald

**Against:** None

**Abstentions:** None

**Adjournment:**

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes respectfully prepared by Lisa Cook, Fiscal Coordinator, and submitted by Traci Kinsler, Health Commissioner.

**The Marion Board of Health will reconvene Thursday, November 17, 2022  
At Marion Public Health  
181 S. Main Street  
Marion, OH**