ST. CLAIR COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD OF HEALTH MINTUES December 18, 2024

- I. <u>MEETING</u> called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair Monica Standel.
- II. <u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u> Monica Standel, Dawn Fulk, Kevin Watkins, Marie Muller, Steve Gura, Stephen Smith and Lisa Beedon.
- III. MEMBERS ABSENT Ken Heuvelman
- IV. <u>STAFF PRESENT</u> Liz King, Greg Brown, Steve Demick, Dr. Nevin & Tammie Berger
- V. Citizens Wishing to Address the Board
 - a. Lynn Schroeder 3945 Vincent Road, Clyde Township Solar Project
 - b. Bill Pickard 5127 Beard Road, Clyde Twp. Solar Project
 - c. Chris Barto 4607 Metcalf Rd, Clyde, MI Solar Project
 - d. Tray Smith 1690 Cleveland, Port Huron, MI Youth Suicides in St. Clair County
 - e. Sandy Tannehill, Wales Twp. Solar Project
 - f. Elizabeth Masters, Wales Twp., Solar Project
 - g. Sandy Richardson 4126 Cole Road, Fort Gratiot, MI Solar Project
 - h. Robert Fieltz-Kimball Twp., Solar Project
 - i. Vance Richardson 4126 Cole Road, Fort Gratiot, MI Solar Project
 - j. John Borkovich Fort Gratiot, Solar Project
 - k. Mike Wilton Fort Gratiot, Solar Project
 - I. Judy Wilton Fort Gratiot, Solar Project
 - m. Jill Barto Clyde, MI Solar Project
 - n. Robert Montgomery, Fort Gratiot, MI
 - o. Tyler Meganck 1219 Minnesota, Port Huron, MI Solar Project
- VI. <u>MINUTES</u> The Board received the November 2024 meeting minutes. Motion by Fulk, seconded by Watkins approve the minutes as corrected. Motion carried.
- VII. <u>BUDGET TO ACTUAL & AP TRANSACTION REGISTER</u> The Board received and reviewed the 2024 AP November Transaction Register totaling \$61,137.09 and the November Budget to Actual Report. Motion by Watkins, seconded by Fulk to accept the November 2024 AP Transaction Register and Budget to Actual Report sent to the controller.
- VIII. <u>CORRESPONDENCE</u> None.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Building Update – Contractor meetings continue. Timeline continues to be on schedule. Duct work, drywall and paint in second floor is going in. An occupancy permit will be issued

for the 2nd floor first, (approximately March) while construction continues on the 1st floor. The communication/messaging timeline for public including documents was discussed. Liz explained that the PPEv team has established timeline and this will be sent to the Board after the meeting. Transportation needs that may arise were discussed.

X. **NEW BUSINESS**

a. SOLAR PROJECT — Dr. Nevin explained his next steps are to formally write up his recommendations for the advisory board to review and provide input to the health officer. The recommendations will be sent to board members approximately one week before the meeting giving them time to review and formulate any questions for Dr. Nevin. Kevin Watkins requested that the report be written in plain language vs. at a PhD level to assure that public have full understanding. Liz clarified that Dr. Nevin's process with report distribution — Dr. Nevin agreed that the advisory board will receive the report first before releasing to other entities.

b. HEALTH OFFICER UPDATE - Liz King

- 1. Due to length of meeting and extra time required to focus on solar discussion Liz had no additional matters at this time and asked if the Board had any question on the division report: Monica asked about CHIP progress. Liz commented that there was a mid-CHIP recap meeting this last week on the 3 priorities areas, Substance abuse was making progress, but that mental health and obesity still need future work.
- 2. Liz asked Steve to report on the Statewide Septic Code. Steve commented that 2 bills have been passed. Their fate at this time is unknown. Recently agreed to was the establishment of a Technical Advisory Committee, increased budget for septic repair application and a risk-based time frame for inspection. The Bill will first look at systems that are over 20 years old, have no records on file, or are 50 feet from a water source. There is no solution at this time for compiling this data.

XI. <u>ITEMS FROM MEMBERS</u> –

- a. Kevin commented that progress has always been controversial, i.e. cell phone towers, Dollar General stores, windmills, internet service, septic systems and it is difficult to strike a balance.
- b. Dawn thanked the public for coming in to speak to the Board today.
- c. Lisa stated that she knows that this Board and the health department is concerned and will work together to find a resolution.
- XII. <u>NEXT MEETING</u> The next monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 15, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.
- XIII. <u>ADJOURNMENT -</u> Motion by Gura seconded by Watkins to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:39 a.m.

Prepared and submitted by:

Elizabeth King, Health Officer - Director

Monica Standel, Chair

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