

COUNTY OF KENDALL, ILLINOIS
Health & Environment Committee
Monday, September 21, 2020
Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Judy Gilmour at 3:06p.m.

ROLL CALL

Attendee	Status	Arrived	Left Meeting
Judy Gilmour	Here		
Robyn Vickers	Here		
Elizabeth Flowers	ABSENT		
Scott Gengler		3:08p.m.	
Tony Giles	Here		

OTHERS PRESENT: Diane Alford, Kendall Grundy Counties Community Action Services Director, and RaeAnn Van Gundy, Kendall County Health Department Executive Director/Public Health Administrator; Alyse Olson, KC Soil & Water District and Ariel Beauchamp, KC Soil & Water Education Coordinator

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Member Vickers made a motion to approve the agenda, second by Member Giles. **With three members present in agreement, the motion carried.**

STATUS REPORTS

- **Board of Health** – No Report
- **Health Department** – Ms. VanGundy stated that they continue work on the Illinois Project for Local Assessment Needs (I-PLAN), a **community** health assessment and planning process that is conducted every five years by local health departments in Illinois. Based on the *Assessment Protocol for Excellence in Public Health (APEX-PH)* model, IPLAN is grounded in the core functions of public health and addresses public health practice standards. The completion of IPLAN fulfills most of the requirements for Local Health Department certification under Illinois Administrative Code Section 600.400: Certified Local Health Department Code Public Health Practice Standards. The essential elements of IPLAN are:
 1. an organizational capacity assessment;
 2. a community health needs assessment; and
 3. a community health plan, focusing on a minimum of three priority health problems

Ms. VanGundy stated that once data is collected, and the planning and documentation is completed, they will submit their data to the State for final review and certification approval.

Diane Alford, Kendall Grundy Counties Community Action Services Director updated the committee on the changes and ways they have adapted to the pandemic. She stated that they have received several smaller grants, including one for case management, one to assist with permanent housing, a grant that will provide shelter in a local hotel at a discounted rate, since the PADS program is not currently operational. She reported that there has been an increase in the need for assistance and that they have seen increased success in assisting clients with the paperwork, and success and improved welfare of the clients.

- **Kendall County Soil and Water District** – Alyse Olson KCSWD Conservationist, reported that they continue work on their tree sale on October 6⁸th and fish sale on October 8th, and also assistance with local farmers on the soil erosion issues.

Ariel Beauchamp, Education Coordinator updated the committee on her virtual “AG in the Classroom” Program, and the innovative ways she is interacting with students. She stated that she has 25 school first, second and third grade students, and approximately 100 teachers, and has planned nine topics that will be covered throughout the school year. She also sends links of pre-recorded sessions to teachers so that all students to access the activity and program.

- **Water Related Groups** – Chair Gilmour reported that the Chairman from the Northwest Water Planning Alliance provided information at the Committee of the Whole meeting, about the increase in chloride, the rating system that has been implemented, and the indication of aging wells and infrastructure in the County.

- **708 Mental Health Board** – No report

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS - None

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT – None

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

ITEMS FOR COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – None

COUNTY BOARD ACTION ITEMS – None

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Not Needed

ADJOURNMENT – Member Vickers made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Member Gengler. **With four members present voting aye, the meeting was adjourned at 3:39p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Valarie McClain, Administrative Assistant and Recording Clerk