

**COUNTY OF KENDALL, ILLINOIS**  
**Health & Environment Committee**  
**Monday, April 15, 2019**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Judy Gilmour at 3:01p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

<b>Attendee</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Arrived</b>	<b>Left Meeting</b>
Judy Gilmour	Here		
Robyn Vickers	Here		
Elizabeth Flowers	<b>ABSENT</b>		
Tony Giles	Here		
John Purcell		3:03p.m.	

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Megan Andrews, KC Soil & Water District Resource Conservationist, Hannah Raver, KC Soil & Water District Education Coordinator, Steve Curatti, Kendall County Health Department, Matt Asselmeier, PBZ Senior Planner

**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.**

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES** – Member Vickers made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from March 18, 2019, second by Member Giles. **With three members present voting aye, the motion carried.**

**STATUS REPORTS**

- **Board of Health** – Member Giles reported they continue collaboration with Facilities management efforts on the Dental Clinic. The Board of Health will meet on Tuesday, April 16, 2019.
- **Health Department** – Steve Curatti explained a program being implemented by the Health Department for the last year, that began as a program to assist Emergency Medical Services staff and the public (bystanders) to understand what Opioid overdoses is, what it looks like, and how to save someone’s life with nasal Narcan (Naloxone), a drug used to counter the effects of opiate overdose.

The Health Department program includes various steps of Rescue and Response to Opioid Overdose for Bystanders, ending with the eye-opening realization that a person's life was saved from Opioid overdose. Additional tools include connecting with the State of Illinois Opiate helpline, contacting the Health Department to discuss opportunities for treatment and recovery, referrals to inpatient facilities, and ongoing steps to recovery.

The Health Department has provided this training to Sheriff's Office personnel, and to Rush Copley Physician interns, and have contacted Rush Copley to offer the training to their Immediate Care facility in Yorkville.

- **Kendall County Soil and Water District** – Megan Andrews provided information on upcoming Soil & Water District events including the Tree Sale on April 25, 2019. They just completed their annual Fish Sale and Soil Erosion and Sediment Workshop.

Ms. Andrews informed the committee about the Partners for Conservation Program (PFC) and cost-share funds now available to Kendall County to provide technical and financial assistance for the construction of projects that conserve soil and protect water quality. Eligible practices include:

- **Cover Crops**
- **Pollinator Habitat**
- **Rain Gardens**
- **Water Well Sealing**
- **Erosion and Sediment Control Projects** – Practices include: filter strips, grassed waterways, grade stabilization controls.
- **Nutrient Management** – Optimize the application of nutrients for plant production.

Ms. Andrews also provided information on

Hannah Rover, KCSWD Education Coordinator stated that she is finishing up the last set of classroom presentations and will conclude at the end of April. The Natural Resources Tour will be held on May 1 and 8 at the Hoover Forest Preserve, they will host a farm safety camp this summer, and Summer Ag Institute in July, as well as the Kendall County Fair in August and the Golf Outing later this summer.

- **Water Related Groups** – Matt Asselmeier stated that the Metropolitan Planning Commission and the Northwest Planning Alliance have been working on a Drinking Water Academy, to educate the public on the importance of the preservation of drinking water, and avoid drinking water contamination, will be presented on April 17<sup>th</sup> at Joliet Junior College, June 4<sup>th</sup> at Orland Park Civic Center, July 23<sup>rd</sup> at The Centre of Elgin, and September 12<sup>th</sup> at the Barrington Park District.

The NWPA has also been very active in The Sensible Salting Programs, working with companies and businesses to ensure that run-off from parking lots, and roads doesn't contaminate the water supply.

Mr. Asselmeier announced that the Counties and Members of the Illinois Valley Flood Plan Alliance in collaboration with the LaSalle County Farm Bureau will host a workshop entitled “Illinois Agriculture and Water: Protecting and Controlling a Valuable Resource” at the Iserman Farms Shop in Streator, Illinois on June 17, 2019. Event Demonstrations will include Rainfall simulator, Soil pit with tile, and Bioreactor model.

**OLD BUSINESS** – None

**NEW BUSINESS**

- *Review of 708 Mental Health Board 3-year Plan 2019-2022* – The committee reviewed and discussed the 3-year 708 Mental Health Board plan.
- *Review of 708 Mental Health Board 1-year Plan 2019-2020* - The committee reviewed and discussed the 1-year 708 Mental Health Board plan.

**CHAIRMAN’S REPORT** – Member Gilmour reported that the Solid Waste plan Committee will meet in May to continue discussions on some of their goals including Composting: backyard and commercial. Member Gilmour stated that if there is enough interest from committee members, they plan to take “field trips” to Midwest Materials Management, Inc. and a local Recycling facility in the near future.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – None

**ITEMS FOR COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE** – None

**COUNTY BOARD ACTION ITEMS** – Nothing

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** – Not Needed

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Valarie McClain  
Administrative Assistant and Recording Secretary