

**NORTON HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD
CITY OF NORTON
Wednesday, January 25, 2006**

The Health Advisory Board of the City of Norton, Ohio, convened for a public meeting in the Shirley L. McGuire Community Center Boardroom. Chairman Dan Karant called the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

PRESENT: Dan Karant, Nancy Delnay, Dr. Robert Littlejohn, Dalia Spisak, Mike Zita

ALSO PRESENT: Joseph Harrison, Health Commission, BHD
Ed Binic, Environmental Health Dir., BHD

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:

Wednesday, November 30, 2005:

The Board reviewed the minutes of Wednesday, November 30, 2005; Chairman Karant called for a motion. **Ms. Nancy Delnay moved to approve the minutes as submitted; seconded by Ms. Dalia Spisak. ROLL CALL: Ms. Delnay-Yea, Ms. Spisak-Yea, Dr. Robert Littlejohn-Yea, Mr. Mike Zita-Yea, Mr. Karant-Yea. The motion passed 5-0, approving the minutes as submitted. They were signed and processed accordingly.**

OLD BUSINESS:

Updates Regarding Norton Health Issues:

Mr. Ed Binic reported the following updates regarding Norton Health Issues:

1.) Lot 33, High Point Acres:

The Barberton Health District rejected the initial plan for the experimental septic system for Lot 33, High Point Acres. Revised plans have not yet been submitted.

2.) Barber Road Sanitary Sewer Connections:

The Barber Road Sanitary Sewer Connections project has been renamed to Sanitary Sewer Tie-in Project. All areas that are accessible to sanitary sewer connections have been placed into one category. He will be meeting with Mr. Claude Collins, Administrative Officer, to refine the list of businesses accessible to sanitary sewer connections but have not yet connected. A meeting with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA), Mr. Collins, the City of Barberton Utilities and the Barberton Health District (BHD) is being scheduled for some time within the next two weeks. They will summarize their plan of action to order the connections. The list will be given to the OEPA because they will be the enforcing agency. They should, however, work with anyone who is moving forward.

3.) Off-lot Discharge Septic Systems:

The aeration maintenance inspection of off-lot septic inspections may be done by the BHD or a part-time inspector may be hired. The inspections should begin sometime later this year.

NEW BUSINESS:

Election of Officers:

Chairperson:

Ms. Delnay nominated Mr. Karant to be re-elected as Chairperson. With no other nominations, the Secretary called for a motion from the Board. **Ms. Delnay moved to re-elect Mr. Karant as Chairperson; seconded by Ms. Spisak. ROLL CALL: Ms. Delnay-Yea, Ms. Spisak-Yea, Dr. Littlejohn-Yea, Mr. Zita-Yea, Mr. Karant-Yea. The motion passed 5-0, re-electing Mr. Karant as Chairperson of the Norton Health Advisory Board.**

Vice-Chairperson:

Ms. Spisak nominated Ms. Delnay to be re-elected as Vice-Chairperson. With no other nominations, the Secretary called for a motion from the Board. **Ms. Spisak moved to re-elect Ms. Delnay as Vice-Chairperson; seconded by Mr. Zita. ROLL CALL: Ms. Spisak-Yea, Mr. Zita-Yea, Dr. Littlejohn-Yea, Ms. Delnay-Yea, Mr. Karant-Yea. The motion passed 5-0, re-electing Ms. Delnay as Vice-Chairperson of the Norton Health Advisory Board.**

Council Representative to the Norton Health Advisory Board:

The Board congratulated Mr. Zita on his reappointment to the Norton Health Advisory Board as the Council Representative.

Clean Air Ordinance:

Mr. Joe Harrison reported that the Summit County Council adopted a Clean Air Ordinance. This ordinance prohibits smoking in all public buildings including bars, restaurants and places of employment. Summit County, however, exempted the racetrack from the ordinance. Also, bowling alleys can have smoking areas if they are in an enclosed room that ventilates to the outside. The Cities of Akron and Cuyahoga Falls have a different ordinance that permits smoking in bars, restaurants and businesses. The County does not want to make a legal issue of this, so there is a movement on by the Summit County Tobacco Coalition to introduce into Akron's and Cuyahoga Fall's Councils the exact ordinance that Summit County Council adopted. Akron, however, thinks it will hurt them economically. The City of Norton had an ordinance that dealt with smoking, but it did not cover the Clean Air Ordinance. Some people want to get an ordinance passed in Norton and Barberton similar to the one in Akron and Cuyahoga Falls; they have until February 28, 2006. There was continued discussion regarding economics versus health hazards of smoking in public buildings.

Emergency Medical Preparedness:

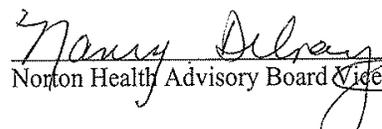
Mr. Karant reported that some Emergency Medical Preparedness groups have been meeting quarterly and some monthly. They are preparing for a dry run disaster exercise to be held in August, 2006, and will need volunteers.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Karant announced that the next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, February 22, 2006, at 6:30 p.m. and would be held in Barberton.

There was no further business to come before the Board, so Chairman Karant adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m. The Board immediately joined the Barberton Board of Health meeting being held in the Norton City Council Chambers.


Norton Health Advisory Board Chair/Vice-Chair


Norton Health Advisory Board Vice-Chair/Member

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