

Public Health Committee Minutes  
September 12, 2016 – 4:00 p.m.

Present: Chairman Alan Grattidge; Supervisors John Collyer, Gardner Congdon, Peter Martin, Dan Pemrick, Tim Szczepaniak, Kevin Tollisen and Chairman of the Board Mo Wright; Spencer Hellwig, Chad Cooke, County Administrator; Steve Dorsey, County Attorney; Cathi Duncan, Public Health.

Chairman Grattidge called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

**On a motion made by Mr. Szczepaniak, seconded by Mr. Collyer the minutes of the August 8, 2016 meeting were approved unanimously.**

**A motion was made by Mr. Tollisen, seconded by Mr. Szczepaniak to amend Resolution 117-2015 to authorize an extension of the agreement with Health Research, Inc. through December 31, 2016 for the expenditure of Public Health Emergency Preparedness Grant Funds. Unanimous.**

Mrs. Duncan said that the original end date was scheduled for September 30, 2016 and this resolution will extend the date to December 31, 2016. The agreement will allow the Public Health Department additional time to finish the Public Health Live project which educates practitioners on the Ebola and Zika viruses.

Mrs. Duncan provided an update on the NY DOH on site survey which was held on August 18. The purpose of the survey was to assess the compliance with title 10 NY codes rules and regulations governing the diagnostic and treatment center. One area of deficiency was discovered which was that there was no transfer agreement between Public Health and Saratoga Hospital. An agreement was drawn up and sent to Saratoga Hospital on September 2 and the plan of correction was approved on September 6.

Mrs. Duncan reported that a new law was passed at the beginning of September requiring testing, recording and remediating lead in drinking water of schools. This is now a requirement of all public schools in NYS. The public schools will, on an honor system, test their drinking water faucets for lead, all test results will be sent to the Department of Health, State Education system and every parent in the school district. The testing needs to be done by the end of October. Waivers can be obtained for new schools. Inquiries can be directed to the NYS Department of Health Regional office in Glens Falls. They can be reached at 518-793-3893.

**On a motion made by Mr. Tollisen, seconded by Mr. Martin the meeting was adjourned unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Therese Connolly  
Legislative Clerk