

Village of Oak Park
Board of Health
November 20, 2013
Village Hall – Room 102
Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order: @ 7:02 PM

Present: Chair, Dr. Mbekeani; Commissioners: Diakite, Lowrie, Dr. Grivois-Shah, Dr. Pont
Absent: Miller, Campbell

2. Approval of agenda: Agenda approved, with addition of discussion regarding e - cigarette legislation

3. Approval of Minutes: Minutes of October 22, 2013 meeting approved

4. Public Comment: None

5. Old Business:

a. Recommendation for an ordinance mandating bicycle helmet use among youth in Oak Park – update:

Dr. Grivois-Shah discussed the proceedings of the Village Board meeting of November 18, 2013, during which the Village Board discussed the draft ordinance mandating bicycle helmets for youth under 17. The request of the Village Board was that references to fines be removed and substituted with community service as the penalty for a parent of any youth found to be out of compliance with possession of a helmet for the third time. Margaret advised that Village staff met to begin development of an educational campaign including materials for distribution by Police, schools and other entities.

b. 2014 Work Plan:

Dr. Mbekeani reviewed the 2014 Work Plan; timelines were identified and commissioners assigned to particular tasks (attached)

6. New Business:

• E-cigarettes:

Margaret advised that municipalities are looking at amending their local indoor air quality laws to include language prohibiting the use of electronic cigarettes in public places. Evanston recently amended their local ordinance. The Illinois Lung Association has offered to provide guidance to municipalities on appropriate language. Margaret will be conferring with the Village Attorney, the Assistant Village Manager and the Illinois Lung Association staff early in December and will share the results of that discussion with the Board of Health at the December meeting.

- Envision Oak Park:
Dr. Mbekeani recommended that the commissioners look at the Community Health and Safety draft goals and objectives and provide any comments to Margaret. She will relay these to the Comprehensive Plan core group members. Margaret will send the link to the Envision Oak Park website.

7. Motion to adjourn at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Provost-Fyfe, Health Director