CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order by Chair Judy Gilmour at 9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL
Committee Members Present: Judy Gilmour – here, Dan Koukol - here, Matthew Prochaska – here

Committee Members Absent: Lynn Cullick, John Purcell

Others Present: Megan Andrews, KC Soil & Water, Steve Curatti, Program Administrator, Kendall County Health Department, and Rebecca Mueller, Community Health Services Director, Kendall County Health Department, Dr. Amaal Tokars, Executive Director, Kendall County Health Department

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES – Member Prochaska made a motion to approve the October 20, 2014 meeting minutes, second by Member Koukol. With all in agreement, the motion carried.

STATUS REPORTS

Health Department – Rebecca Mueller, Director of Community Health Services, provided information about immunizations, particularly about HPV, and the Vaccines for Children state program. Ms. Mueller said that anyone with a qualified medical card can receive free immunizations for their children, and those that have people that are not insured or under-insured can receive vaccines at a fee of $15 per vaccine.

Ms. Mueller reviewed the vaccine for but specifically about the Gardasil vaccine against HPV infection that can cause warts and various types of cancer. The HPV protects the individual from the disease, versus the community at large outbreak protection as other vaccines are designed to do. The County Health Department does not have a high vaccination rate against HPV in Kendall County. Unfortunately, when the vaccine was first introduced, there was a negative stereotype that it was a vaccine for sexually active youth.
Ms. Mueller said that the KC Health Department continues to educate the community, parents, local physicians and medical personnel about the importance of inoculating youth from 9 years to 26 years old in preventing cervical, mouth, throat, vaginal, penal, anal and uterine cancer. Ms. Mueller said that HPV is spread skin to skin (intimate contact).

Dr. Tokars reported that the Kendall County Health Department met with emergency responders, the state’s attorney, the chief judge, Waubonsee Community College, Rush Copley, EMS, law enforcement, Kane County Health Department, Illinois Department of Health, TB Board, Board of Health, IDPH, local schools, PADS on October 31, 2014 to discuss containment and monitoring for a non-contagious case.

They have also sent a public press package to many partners in the County on linking with the Health Department in educating and monitoring Ebola. Dr. Tokars stated that they will continue to monitor during the peak holiday travel season, and will hopefully see a fall off of the disease as travel decreases.

Dr. Tokars said that this is not a once in a lifetime experience, but that we may continue to experience this and other international diseases in the very near future, thus expediting the need for continued education and prevention.

Ms. Mueller reported that the KC Health Department received two separate shipments of the flu vaccine, and that the shot is still available at the Health Department. Walk-in hours are Tuesday evenings, and appointments are always available by calling their office.

 Soil & Water – Megan Andrews reported they have been very busy with activities, classroom education, and the Adopt a Farmer program with ten local farmers and Flat Aggie correspondence between the farmers and local school classrooms. Ms. Andrews reported the new part-time administrator began working with the office and is adjusting well.

Ms. Andrews said that the Annual Meeting has been scheduled for the second Monday of February, and will also include the election of new board members.

Ms. Andrews reported that the hearing for the Drainage Districts occurred last week. The judge asked that the County Board appoint three permanent commissioners for the Big Slough Drainage District. Two temporary commissioners, Nels Moe and Marty Myre, were appointed by Judge Pilmer, and a third needs to be appointed by the County Board as the next step in the process. The Rob Roy, Raymond and Morgan Creek Drainage District hearings are scheduled for Thursday, January 15, 2015 at 1:00p.m.

 Solid Waste Plan Committee – No report
Water Related Groups – No report

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESSES – None

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

ACTION ITEMS – None

EXECUTIVE SESSION – None Needed

ADJOURNMENT - Member Prochaska made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Member Koukol seconded the motion. With all in agreement, the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Valarie McClain
Administrative Assistant/Recording Secretary