KENDALL COUNTY
HEALTH & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
County Office Building, County Board Room 209-210
Monday, November 18, 2013
Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order by Chair Judy Gilmour at 10:03 a.m.

ROLL CALL
Committee Members Present: Judy Gilmour, Matthew Prochaska, and John Purcell

Committee Members Absent: Lynn Cullick, Dan Koukol

Others Present: Megan Andrews, KC Soil & Water Conservation District; RaeAnn VanGundy, Department of Health and Human Services; and Angela Zubko, Planning, Building and Zoning

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
John Purcell made a motion to approve the minutes from September 16, 2013, second by Matt Prochaska. With all in agreement, the minutes were approved.

John Purcell made a motion to approve the October 21, 2013 meeting minutes, Matt Prochaska seconded the motion. With all in agreement, the minutes were approved.

STATUS REPORTS

Department of Health and Human Services – RaeAnn VanGundy provided an update of the Health Department Legislative Policy agenda that shows policies and legislation being monitored and action taken by the KC Health Department in FY2013. Ms. VanGundy stated this is a priority in the Health Department.

Farmland Protection – No report

Soil & Water – Ms. Andrews stated that she remains busy with soil and water site visits, and that they are updating their website, and so they are using their FaceBook page Facebook/KendallCountySoilandWaterConservationDistrict until the website is updated.

Ms. Andrews said that Jenny Wold, Education Coordinator is out until the beginning of January 2014 due to the recent birth of her son. In the new year, Ms. Wold will take a farmer with her into the classrooms, as part of her work with the young leaders of the Kendall County Farm Bureau. This is an exciting opportunity for the students and the farmers that participate.
Soil Health seminar, November 20, 2013, from 7:30am to 12 noon at the University of Illinois Extension conference room in Yorkville. KC Soil & Water, University of Illinois Extension office, IL USDA, and local soil & water districts are involved. There are also similar events in Kane, Grundy and LaSalle Counties through mid-December.

Ms. Andrews reviewed the Soil Health Key Points handout including projected increases in world population by the year 2050, and the need for an increase in food production by 70 percent; benefits of healthy soil, four basic soil health principles to improve health and sustainability, a soil health management plan, and a healthy, productive soil checklist for growers.

**Solid Waste Plan Committee** – Judy Gilmour provided an update on the October 23rd meeting and said there were 13 members in attendance. She said the group is focusing on the review of the 2010 plan for 2015. They currently have three approved goals:

1. Integrate Solid Waste Legislative monitoring into the Kendall County Health Department Legislative Policy agenda
2. Integrate the goals from the Solid Waste Plan into the Kendall County Health Department Strategic Plan
3. Offer to educate and promote recycling and source reduction efforts in Kendall County. The committee compiled a list of how the third goal could be implemented in the County.

The next Solid Waste Plan Committee meeting will be January 8, 2014 and topics will include yard waste, food scraps and composting.

**Water Related Groups** – Angela Zubko stated that the Blackberry Watershed group met in October, and discussed the new maps coming for FEMA

Ms. Zubko said the County will have to revise some of our wording to adopt the new FEMA maps taking affect January 8, 2014.

The Northwest Water Planning Alliance approved the Strategic Plan last week at their meeting, so they will now begin discussion on how to meet those goals and strategies.

Green Organics - Planning, Building and Zoning continues work on the Green Organics Project and is working on the host fee agreement with the City of Yorkville. They are planning to increase the fee per ton, and then to use a three-year step increase plan in the future.
OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS – None

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

ACTION ITEMS – None

EXECUTIVE SESSION – None

ADJOURNMENT- Matt Prochaska made a motion to adjourn the meeting, John Purcell seconded the motion. With all in agreement, the meeting was adjourned at 10:39a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Valarie McClain
Administrative Assistant