

# Environmental Division Report

June 1<sup>st</sup> 2019 to July 31<sup>st</sup> 2019

## Housing Complaints

Sewage	8
Trash	3
Mold	4
No Water	14
Hoarding	1
Pool	1
Abate	2

## Animal Bites

Dog	25
Cat	8
Raccoon	1

We have posted 4 trailers at Tamarack Mobile Home Park in Jonesboro for no water. The families have found different places to live.

We have visited 8 different difficult septic sites with installers and with the state Rep.

We have performed 20 septic inspections.

We have started the Mosquito surveillance. Grant County has not had any confirmation, so far, of mosquitoes carrying the West Nile Virus.

To date, ISDH has tested 94,683 mosquitoes divided into 1247 pools from 73 counties. There have been 18 mosquito samples which have tested positive for WNV, from Allen, Brown, Clark, Elkhart, Hamilton, Henry, Johnson, Kosciusko, St. Joseph, Union, Wayne and Whitley counties. No mosquitoes have tested positive for St. Louis Encephalitis, LaCrosse Encephalitis or Eastern Equine Encephalitis.

## Mosquito Surveillance

The Grant County Health Department has started mosquito surveillance by using the Gravid Trap.

We are trying to set our traps throughout the county.

### Van Buren

I have contacted Van Buren Utilities about contract spraying for Marion. They said they would not spray for us as they do not have the manpower.

### Fairmount

I have contacted Fairmount Waste Water about contract spraying. They said they would not be interested in spraying Marion as they do not have the manpower with chemical licenses for mosquito spraying nor do they have a license to spray the City of Marion. They referred me to Mug a Bug out of Forsythe Illinois as that is where the chemicals they use comes from.

### Grant County Highway Department

I have contacted the Grant County Highway Department about spraying. They said they no longer have equipment to spray for mosquitoes.

### Marion Street Department

Marion Street Department said they do not spray for mosquitoes anymore. They no longer have equipment to spray for mosquitoes. They referred me to the Marion Parks Department.

### Marion Parks Department

The Marion Parks Department does not have equipment to spray for mosquitoes.

## Cost

1. Truck to mount sprayer- ? (Unknown)
2. Mosquito sprayer system-\$10,000
3. Liability Insurance for \$300,000- Application Business- Unknown
4. Category 8 & Core Exam for licensure-Unknown
5. Overtime hours- Spraying is done between dusk to around midnight
6. Storage area for chemicals

## FOODS DIVISION REPORT

### **Total Food License issued as of 08/16/2019 is 423 license.**

+/- 23 food license issued since last Health Board meeting (06/17/19 to present)

+/- 144 brick and mortar food inspections (06/17/19 to present)

+/- 75 complaints, e-mail, phone, and our cell phone since last Health Board meeting (06/17/19).

Several Phone calls e-mail and our cell phones, pertaining to restaurants, plan review, opening inspections since last Health Board meeting (06/17/19). (Many after hours)

New facilities-Speedway Cafe'-Marion, McDonalds-Gas City, McDonalds-Marion, The Corner, The Jigsaw Ice Cream

Closed facilities-Swayzee Market, Walls Pizza, Depot express, Robt. Faulkner Academy

Plan Reviews - 3 & remodeling current facilities. McClure I-69/22-on hold, Loves Truck Stop-Pizza, McDonalds Gas City, Speedway Cafe'-Marion, McDonalds-Marion, The Corner, The Jigsaw Junction ice cream, Wings etc. Mac 123

7 Fairs and Festivals have been inspected out of 24 total inspections+/-59 vendors inspected

Inspecting ISDH Summer Food Programs

Working with Marion Utilities-Jim Dalrymple

Working with Jerry Marion Building-Dept. Jerry Fausnight

Working with, Gas City Building Dept. Mike Cline

**Working with ISDH (Indiana State Health department-Dan Miller)**

### **Other concerns/duties of the Foods Division 08/19/19**

The Foods and Environmental will be attending to repeat, Northeast Chapter Award for 2019 at the IEHA Fall Conference.

Talk Show on WBAT at 7:30 a.m. with Tim George and Ed Bren - 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each Month.

Foods talked about food Bourne illnesses, universal precautions and Bed bugs.

**Cease and Desist order to the resident of 620 West Coulton Drive, Marion, In. illegally cooking and preparing food at this residence.** Still has not responded, GCHD sent registered letter.

Attended IEHA meetings and District 6 Local Health Dept. meetings.

Dale and Dean got their certifications in administrate / proper use of Stop the Bleed Packets per ISDH.

Dale completed and passed his Certification in August 2019 (Certified Food Handler –Manager Course)

Dale attended and spoke with +/-20 vendors and 1812 staff at the Marion library July 29 at 6 pm. About sanitation and infection control along with questions from the people attending.

Closed Las Amores due to a major sewer leak. (Fixed, inspected and re-opened)

## August report – Nursing Division

The months of July, August and September are a busy time of year for our immunization clinic. All school aged children entering kindergarten, 6<sup>th</sup> grade or 12<sup>th</sup> grade have state required immunizations. Also, our patient load has increased due to a local pediatrician currently not administering immunizations.

### **Follow-up from Substance Task Force meeting with MGH:**

Dr. Moore has met with Kelley Hochstetler from MGH Community Outreach and with law enforcement from local and county regarding offering harm reduction kits through the health department. Law enforcement would like additional information about the kits (how are they distributed and what impact it will have on our community). MGH has offered to host a seminar with a guest speaker who can provide additional information and answer any questions we would have. I contacted Kelley Hochstetler to find out the date of the seminar. She stated they do not have a scheduled date but will email with the detailed information when it becomes available.

## August Health Board Meeting – Vital Records report

With school just starting we have had many requests for Birth Certificates.

There have been 329 births this year. That is slightly down from this time last year with a total of 354. Possibly due to the Wabash Hospital re-opening their maternity ward.

Death totals are at 428 with 7 of those being over the age of 100 and 5 being below age 29.

At this time there is no database to pull information from to show the breakdown on the cause of death.