

Environmental Health Liaison Meeting
August 09, 2007

Minutes

Present: Paul Higdon, Ron Winecoff, Barry Patterson and Sue Blaine

The Environmental Health Liaison Meeting was called to order by Mr. Paul Higdon at 6:14 p.m.

Minutes from the July 17, 2007 EHL meeting were not brought before the committee as there was not a quorum present.

Mr. Barry Patterson reported that a Rabies Clinic is scheduled for September 08.

Mr. Patterson stated that an additional staff person had been hired for the Registered Sanitarian position, another one is on tap for August 13, and currently are advertising for a 7th position.

Mr. Patterson said that Food and Lodging are using a new computer program. Staff are inputting information on the computer and transmitting to Raleigh. OSWW is making transition to GPS and hope to complete the transition by the end of the year. Mr. Patterson stated that once 1000+ sites are input, then we can see what type systems are going in different areas of the county.

In the Castleberry chili recall 35-40 man-hours for the EH staff were involved in removing stock from shelves. NC was ranked high in compliance with orders to pull the product from consumer shelves.

Mr. Patterson plans to meet with septic installers before the January 01, 2008 certification requirement. He also plans to meet with the well drillers in the Fall. Two staff have been sent for well training and plans are to send an additional two staff to another meeting. Some discussion was held on various issues of the well program.

Brief discussion was held on clerical staffing and salary disparity issues of registered sanitarians. Mr. Higdon requested a copy of staff salaries and number of years of employment from Mr. Patterson.

With no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Paul Higdon at 6:54 p.m. and seconded by Ron Winecoff. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sue Blaine