

JOURNAL OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY

Meeting of Monday, December 10, 1945

10:30 o'clock A. M.

COOK COUNTY BOARD ROOM, COUNTY BUILDING

OFFICIAL RECORD

President Smith in the chair.

CALL TO ORDER

At 10:30 o'clock A.M., being the hour appointed for the meeting, the President called the Board to order.

QUORUM

The Clerk called the roll of members and there was found to be a quorum present.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Bobrytzke, Busse, Conkey, Erickson, Fosco, Mackler, Miller, Nixon, Ryan, Sneed, Traeger, President Smith

-12-

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

to the Board of Commissioners of Cook County In Relation To The Establishment of a Cook County Department of Public Health Office of the Chairman County Building, Chicago 2

to authorized person... (faded text)

to authorized person... (faded text)

to authorized person... (faded text)

December 7, 1945 Honorable President and Board of County Commissioners, Cook County, Illinois

Ladies and Gentlemen: As chairman of the Advisory Committee, and in its behalf, I have the honor of recommending to the Board of Commissioners of Cook County the adoption of the accompanying resolution which would establish a Cook County Department of Public Health. This resolution was approved by the Advisory Committee at its final meeting on Wednesday, December 5, 1945.

Yours very truly, ELIZABETH A. CONKEY, Chairman Advisory Committee

RESOLUTION

OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY ESTABLISHING THE COOK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ORGANIZING THE COOK COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT there is hereby

established the Cook County Department of Public Health pursuant to provisions of the Act entitled "An Act in relation to the establishment and maintenance of county and multiple-county public health department," approved July 9, 1943, as amended.

For the purpose of the operation and maintenance of the said Cook County Department of Public Health the Board of Commissioners of Cook County does hereby organize and constitute itself as the Board of Health of Cook County for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the said Act in a manner similar to other acts and duties of the County. The President of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County is hereby designated and constituted the President of the Board of Health of Cook County. The Secretary of the Board of Health of Cook County shall be such member of the Board of Health as shall be elected by the Board. The Clerk of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County is hereby designated and constituted Assistant Secretary of the Board of Health of Cook County.

Jurisdiction

The Board of Health shall have jurisdiction throughout the entire county except within any city, village, or incorporated town, or combination thereof, which is maintaining a full-time health department as defined by the Illinois Department of Public Health.

Powers and Duties

Within its jurisdiction the Board of Health of Cook County shall exercise such powers and perform such duties as are granted unto it by the statutes in the case made and provided and as are not inconsistent with the provisions of applicable statutes.

Organization of The Board of Health of Cook County

The President and Members of the Board of Health of Cook County shall, subject to the rules and regulations of the Civil Service System of Cook County:

1. Appoint a Chief Medical Officer, as the executive officer for the Department, who shall possess such qualifications as may be prescribed by the State Department of Public Health, and who shall have the powers hereinafter provided;
2. Appoint such other professional employees who shall possess such qualifications as may be prescribed by the State Department of Public Health for their respective positions;
3. Appoint such other officers and employees as may be necessary;
4. Prescribe the powers and duties of all officers and employees, fix their compensation and authorize payment of the same and all other Department expenses from the County Health Fund, in accord with the adopted budget;
5. Provide that all employees of the Public Health Unit of the Cook County Bureau

of Public Welfare, as established on June 21, 1940 in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Public Health and the United States Public Health Service, shall continue to be employees in the same status in the Department of Public Health.

Administration

The Chief Medical Officer, as the executive officer for the department, shall, subject to the control of the Board of Health, have charge of the staff of the Board of Health and shall have the following powers and duties:

1. Enforce and observe all state laws pertaining to the preservation of public health;
2. Initiate and carry out, at the direction of the Board, programs and activities of all kinds not inconsistent with law that may be deemed necessary or desirable in the promotion and protection of health and the control of disease;
3. Enforce all rules and regulations regularly adopted, or those promulgated by the authorities having power to make rules and regulations, concerning the public health;
4. Investigate the existence of any contagious or infectious diseases and enforce the regulations of this Board of Health and of the State Department of Public Health concerning the same;
5. Determine when diseases are contagious or epidemic and establish and enforce quarantine regulations whenever he deems it necessary;
6. Make all necessary sanitary and health investigations and inspections;
7. Cause all nuisances affecting public health to be abated with all reasonable promptness, according to law;
8. Upon request give professional advice and information to all city, village, incorporated town and school authorities on matters pertaining to sanitation and public health;
9. Enter any building, structure or premises, according to law, for the purpose of determining whether there is a violation of any of the health provisions of this code;
10. Cause to be arrested any person who violates any of the health provisions established by this Board of Health or the State Department of Public Health.

Commissioner Ryan moved that the Resolution be approved and adopted.

Commissioner Fosco seconded the motion. The vote by yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Bobrytzke, Busse, Conkey, Erickson, Fosco, Mackler, Miller, Nixon, Ryan, Sneed, Traeger, Smith—12.

Commissioner Ryan moved that the meeting adjourn to meet again in the same place Tues-

day, December 11, 1945 at 10:30 o'clock A.M. and that there be a meeting of the Cook County Board of Health at the same time and place immediately following adjournment of Board meeting.

Carried.

Michael J. Flynn
County Clerk

52