

*"A Historic Past"*



*"A Bright Future"*

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**Minutes from the Regular Meeting  
Delaware City Board of Health, Wednesday, May 8, 2013  
City Council Chamber**

The following members were in attendance: Donna Rice, Brenda Parker, Lisa Webster, Stanley Green and Donia Gonzales Copeland.

Meeting Called to Order by Chairwomen Brenda Parker at approximately 7:090pm

- Agenda was then approved as presented.
- Minutes presented from previous Board of Health meeting in March unanimously approved.
- Mayor Green asked for the floor for a brief discussion concerning his new elected position as mayor and his continuing commitment to the Board of Health. However, his direct service is to the city now. Mayor Green will sit for B.O.H. meetings as available. He requested that the current committee members remain on the Board, all present agreed. Mayor Green also has offered a written "How To" introduction to operations and functions for volunteers who serve on the Board of Health.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**1. Community Emergency Response Team**

- Action Plan incomplete as yet. Flyer for volunteers yet to be completed. Mayor Green to complete corrections to the final draft as his availability dictates. Sec. Webster offered to help and present a draft version for call for volunteers. Chairwomen Parker has received one offer to volunteer through the Facebook post from last month.
- The City Manager has offered to sign-up volunteers to be trained during the regularly scheduled classes, the state offers, for Certified Emergency Response Training (C.E.R.T.. All five of the committee members volunteered to follow through for C.E.R.T.'s two day training program available this July.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Vacant Buildings**

- Mayor, Green asked to address concerns for the number of vacant properties within the city limits. Last month and has offered to create a photo reference book/guide with information concerning

ownership data. Donna Rice has also offered to provide images which she has collected from her photos she has gathered within this year, concerning flood issues in the city.

- Dede Gonzales, suggests the board consider the possible re-purposing of one or some of the vacant properties to provide shelter, for those citizens possibly displaced during times of emergency.
- Chairwomen Parker expressed concern for a vacant building in her neighborhood. It appears that a window has been left open enough for a cat/cats to come and go. The direct issue is to follow up with the property owner or the city to be allowed in/on this property to close the opening in the house so as to protect the colony from growing, as well as the continued safety of the cats entering the building. Stated she has no interest in the removal of the cats from the city in any way, only their continued safety. It is to be followed up with the help of mayor Green
- Agenda completed, no further business concerning BOH, unanimously voted to close meeting at approximately 7:35pm.