



Galion City Board of Health Environmental Division Monthly Report for May 2022

Food Safety

I have been busy inspecting and licensing mobile food service operations this month. Transmittals were submitted to the state departments for the first quarter. The contracted food inspector is no longer completing the contract to do food inspections for the city of Galion. We have reposted the contract to do food inspections but so far no one is interested.

I will be taking the food safety manager certification course and exam as mine expired. I need to complete this prior to June 19, 2022 to continue to proctor exams for FSO/RFE operators.

Public Health Nuisances

There were 11 nuisance complaints during the month of May. Seven of the complaints were solid waste, 1 housing, 1, sewage, 1 pest, and 1 animal issues. Only four of the complaints are abated and the others are still in process of completion.

General Environmental Health

The City of Galion held their Spring Cleanup Day on May 21, 2022. The Galion City Health Department allowed for residents to bring scrap tires to Willig Tire on South Street for the cleanup day. Willig collected 723 tires that day. The Ohio EPA 2022 Mosquito Control Grant will pay for this tire cleanup \$2,892.00. This will provide a significant reduction in mosquito populations in Galion.

Mosquito surveillance will start in Galion in June. The mosquitoes collected will be submitted to the Ohio Department of Health for testing and identification. GCHD still has mosquito dunks for anyone to obtain for standing water areas.

All of the seasonal pools are licensed, inspected and opened at this point. I had my state swimming pool program survey on April 28th. The pool program is looking to standardize cost analysis and inspectors across the state.

Rabies

Galion received 3 dog bites in May of 2022. Letters were sent explaining the quarantine process as well as the follow-up for rabies vaccinations for the animals.

Respectfully submitted,

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