

Galion City Board of Health Environmental Division Monthly Report for April 2023

Food Safety

I conducted two mobile food service operation license inspections. I completed the transmittals to the state agencies for the first quarter. The REHS contractor for food inspections completed a food complaint and regular inspection as well as some of the seasonal food locations.

Public Health Nuisances

There were 16 nuisance complaints during the month of April. The majority (14) were solid waste issues. One complaint was at a restaurant and one was a residential sewage complaint. I issue written orders to the homeowners informing them of the violation of the ordinance or regulation and then usually a 10-day reinspection. A second order is issued when necessary.

General Health

This past month has been very busy with trying to cover everything that Olivia did for us. I have been paying bills since she left as well as completing some of the monthly reports. Jason generally does the deposit; however, he was at a conference for three of the days in April so I did the deposit, payroll and the bills.

I completed two pool inspections in April and all licensed pools submitted fees and applications for the next swimming season licensing year. Each pool will be given the ODH issued "Be Sure to Have a SAFE SWIM" placard to display at their facility to help teach the public about pool safety.

I also completed two manufactured home park inspections this month so that I only have one more park to inspect before June 30th. GCHD contracts with the Department of Commerce to do the inspections for their agency; however, they are responsible for licensing and enforcing any of the violations observed during inspection.

Rabies

Galion received 2 animal bite reports for the month of April 2023, both were cat bites. A letter was sent to both owners on the quarantine process and the requirement to take the cat to the veterinarian to confirm the rabies shots for the animals are up to date.

Respectfully submitted,

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