

Madison County Board of Health Meeting

Thursday, July 28, 2016 6:30 pm

Health Department Board Room

Members Present

Mike Stevenson, Public and Chair

Dr. Reese Steen, DDS

Larry Peek, Engineer

Loretta Leake, NP and Vice Chair

Dr. Karen Le Hew MD

Dr. Marianna Daly, M.D. Ex Officio

Members Absent

Dr Meg Pressley, DVM

Andrew Thomas, Public

Janet Crowe, Pharmacist

Clayton Rice, Commissioner

Debbie Ponder, Public

Rachel Smith, RN

Regular Meeting **Special Meeting**

I. Welcome, Call to Order and Introductions

Chair Stevenson

The meeting called to order by Chair Mike Stevenson

II. Consent Agenda - Approval of

Chair Stevenson

- a. Agenda
- b. Board of Health Minutes, May 24, 2016

**A motion to approve the agenda was made by Loretta Leake, 2nd by Dr. LeHew. Motion passed unanimously.
The approval of the May Minutes was deferred until next meeting until aquorum is present.**

III. Public Input Session

No public input

IV. Public Health Presentation - Tobacco Control Presentation

Karen Caldwell, Regional Tobacco Control Manager

Ms. Caldwell gave a presentation on tobacco use and E-Cigarettes among the population in NC and down to use in Madison County. The presentation also included information on how the use of tobacco may be regulated.

The Board Agreed to have a draft of a BOH rule for tobacco free government buildings and vehicles.

V.

Public Health Training Clinic Update

Dr Daly presented an update on Public Health Preparedness. There is a regional meeting on Aug 3rd and community partners are encouraged to come.

Lab news-We will start hair follicle testing for DSS. The state audit went very well.

VI. Announcements

VII. New Business

- a. Rabies Post Exposure Rule Discussion

Dr. Daly

Madison County had no rabies cases last year. Dr Daly presented a Rabies Compendium Changes that will be most likely passed by the state. The new rules give leeway to pet owners who are a little late on their vaccinations instead of treating them as never having vaccines. The rules for unvaccinated do not change. Dr Daly presented a draft of a BOH Rule that would get us in line with the state. A recommendation was made to do a public service announcement for the residents as a reminder.

The Board agreed to do a public service announcement.

VIII. Administrative Reports

a. Expenditure/Revenue Report

Becky Webb

The BOCC approved our budget with part time EH position. The Medicaid Cost Settlement came through. The state is budgeting a single installment of funds to compensate for the reduced amount of Medicaid funds.

b.

Medical Director's ReportDr. Daly

- I continue to work on a grant for testing for Hepatitis C, Hepatitis B and HIV that would increase screening in Madison County, serve as a pilot project for Region II Health Departments, and bring patients who test positive to treatment whenever feasible
- A small epidemiological study is being done to see the scope of Hepatitis C in Madison County. Doing this will help us target prevention efforts as well as treatment ("baby boomers" vs younger IDU)
- I will write and present a policy statement for the Health Directors of North Carolina on Gun Violence stating that gun violence is a public health issue and needs to be studied by the CDC as such (currently there is a government-imposed restriction on the CDC to do this)
- Completed a review and revamping of the Jail Health Policy which was accepted by the county commissioners
- The MCHD did not receive the Cardinal Health Grant for prescription safety innovations and education
- Our first series of Diabetes Education classes started; I have participated in most of them to date and can verify that they are EXCELLENT ; we are planning for the next series of classes for August

c.

Deputy Director's Report

Dr. Daly

- State audit that combined Women's Health, Child Health, Billing and Coding was completed. We had minor corrective actions plans that have been submitted to the state. No paybacks were identified.
- The Health Department Budget includes a new part time position for Environmental Health. An ad will run in the Sentinel this week and next advertising open positions.
- We are working with Mission, our county manager and county attorney on a new MOU to provide services for our BCCPT program.
- We are also finalizing MOUs and contracts for the Triple P program; these are with MAHEC and Buncombe County Health and Human Services.
- We had a power outage earlier in the month and discovered our policy to secure the county vaccines was not adequate. We have created a new policy. We will consolidate all vaccines to one refrigerator and work with the Director of Emergency management to transport the vaccines to the jail to run off of their generator. We are awaiting the signature of the sheriff on the MOU. The long term solution is to install a generator with a transfer switch in the immunization room. A propane generator and transfer switch is located at the finance office (old 911 generator) We are working with the county manager,

maintenance director and emergency management director to transition and install these items at the health department. This should have minimal cost and provide necessary security for the county's vaccines.

- We are upgrading our credit card terminals; failure to upgrade will leave us financially responsible for fraud. This will result in an unplanned cost of \$1500.

IX. Other Business

There is a packet of information about septic systems for all BOH members to take if desired.

Chair Stevenson noted that we need a replacement board member for the BOH. Ms. Adams schedule does not allow her to continue. A recommendation was made for a replacement the pharmacistvacancy. **The Board agreed to recommend Hannah Hardin to BOCC as a replacement for the vacancy.**

X. Open Session

XI.

AdjournmentChair Stevenson

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made byDr Steen, 2ndby Loretta Leake,motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

XII.

Next Meeting:September 22, 2016

