

Board of Health Meeting Minutes

The regular meeting of the Board of Health was held on Tuesday March 17, 2015 at 700 East Oak Street, Canton.

Members present were Nancy Schell, Sue Hoke, Judy Brown, Karla Leffler, Dr. Ben Phillips, and Dr. Gowda. Members Barry Beck and Dr. Stinauer were absent. Staff attending were Damon Roberson, Robin Henry, Theresa Bankert and Amy Rose.

President Phillips called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM asking members if they had any corrections to the minutes or a motion to approve. Nancy Schell made a motion to approve with Hoke seconding the motion. All ayes, motion passed.

Damon started the meeting by introducing new Board member Karla Leffler and Business Manager Amy Rose. Dr. John Stinauer will also be a new Board member, but was not present.

Damon gave the financial reports for November through February. Hoke asked if all of LIHEAP funds would be used up. Damon explained we are working with two grants FY 2014 and 2015, with the money being spent as we receive it. Schell motioned to approve the financial reports with Brown seconding the motion. All ayes, motion passed.

2016 Holiday schedule- Hoke made a motion to approve and Schell seconded the motion. All ayes, motion passed.

Personal Policies- Damon went over all changes and additions. Schell made a motion to approve with Hoke seconding the motion. Roll call vote with members Hoke, Phillips, Brown, Schell, Gowda, and Leffler voting yes. Motion passed.

Fee for Closed Loop Wells- Damon reported that the state is recommending charging a fee for closed wells. Phillips asked if other counties were charging fees. Damon replied that other counties are in the same position we are in, with one or two counties charging fees. Hoke asked if they were closed wells. Damon replied yes and they would need to be inspected. Damon proposed to bring this topic back in April as old business. Katie would be here at that time to talk more about it.

I-PLAN- Damon would like to meet at 6:30 at the April Board meeting to discuss this further. All agreed to meet at the earlier time. Reminders will be sent.

Old Business- None

Theresa reported that the Kiwanis Club donated twenty car seats for us to distribute. Cornerstone has been converted to an internet based program. Emergency Preparedness held a full scale exercise on March 13, 2015, with staff and students from WIU participating. It went well with good feedback from the students. SWAT held their annual event on March 6 with 120 students from the county participating. She is working on an Isolation & Guarantee response plan. A new employee is starting due to one retiring.

Damon reported for Katie. LHPG was submitted in February. Waiting for the Vector Surveillance Grant to come out. Food permit renewals went well. EH partnered with Peoria and

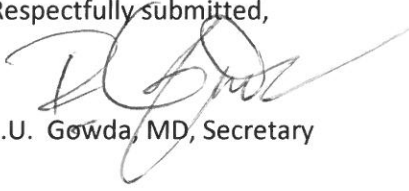
Tazewell counties to offer a Sewage contractor training. Continuing Food Managers and food handlers' classes were held. Katie has been involved with the Retail Food Work Group. Septic and well permits are slow due to weather, expect them to pick up as it warms up. There have been thirty community surveys returned concerning IPLAN. They are in the process of doing the Organizational Capacity Assessment.

Robin- Dental's numbers are good. Starting on plans for school exams. Medicaid is going to managed care. Schell asked what is Managed Care, with Robin responding the new insurance plan. Dentaquest is our current administrator and they handle 6 out of 12 insurance companies. Will start signing them up as providers but this could impact on time with billing claims and processing receipts. They are reminding adult patients to get their exams and plans done soon, as there may not be dental benefits for adults in the next fiscal year due to budget cuts.

Damon reported that the new Director of Illinois Department of Public Health Nirav Dinesh Shah. He has a medical and law degree. It was refreshing to hear that he wants to work with local health departments and also wants to maintain the Local health Grant with no cuts. We are on watch about the new budget for the next fiscal year.

Dr. Phillips made motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55PM. All eyes, motion adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



R.U. Gowda, MD, Secretary