

**Calhoun county Board of Health
Meeting Minutes**

Monday, June 18, 2007

ATTENDEES

Board of Health		Health Department
Larry Anderson Jeff Mitchell Kathy Foerster Byron McDonald Eusebio Solis Rick Tsoumas Absent: Ken Ponds, Excused		Dottie-Kay Bowersox John Eva Ted Havens Kim Morris Kristin Roux
County Administration		Other
Greg Purcell Nancy Mullett		Elizabeth Huff, Battle Creek Enquirer Gardy Berezonsky, Marengo Twp.

Meeting called to order. 8:00 AM. Mitchell moved to approve the agenda. Tsoumas seconded. All in favor of the agenda. Approved.

Public Comment

Mr. Berezonsky represented the Marshall restaurant owners and their concerns to the new regulations. Makoski stated that he would meet with Berezonsky immediately following the meeting to receive the concerns addressed.

Program Highlights

Morris passed around photos of the Public Health Week Art of Health contest and updated the Board on the status. She also presented the Children's Special health Care Services Program State of Michigan guide.

Anderson noted that Havens' resolution was presented to him at the Board of Commissioners last Thursday. The Board thanked Havens for his 40 years of service.

Consent Agenda

Foerster moved approval of the meeting minutes. Mitchell seconded. All in favor. Approved.

Financial Reports

Eva summarized the financial reports and budget adjustments. Foerster asked about the tobacco reduction coalition funds that are now zeroed out. Bowersox stated that the American Cancer Society is giving in-kind services rather than monetary funding.

McDonald asked about the NCBC funding.

Tsoumas motioned for resolution 5-07. Mitchell seconded. We will present to the BOC on Thursday for addendum. All in favor. Resolution 5-07 approved.

Tobacco Reduction Coalition

Roux updated the Board on the Tobacco Reduction Coalition, specifically to the Clean Indoor Act. At the Friday, June 15, 2007 meeting, 21 adults and 7 children attended. Informational packets were mailed to all townships and municipalities. City of Battle Creek and Bedford Township have returned signed resolution along with several agencies.

Mullet stated that this is a public health regulation. This is not an ordinance. Agencies cannot “go to jail” for violation. Purcell asked that Bowersox update the Board on the Health Officer enforcement of the clean air act regulation. He also asked for clarification on the vote schedule.

Health Officer’s Report

The RN Manager has been offered with an expected start date of August 6. The EH Director position has been posted. Bowersox is recommending that the Makoski will coordinate food services and Bob Overley, EH Sanitarian, coordinate well and septic services rather than appointing an interim director. Bowersox asked that any Board member interested in being on the selection committee please contact her.

Board Discussion

Anderson noted that Board members will review and provide Anderson any recommended changes to the bylaws. Mullett will revise accordingly once Anderson provides the suggested changes to Mullett. Bylaw revisions will also reflect the new Conflict of Interest policy. Mullett also noted that she will give Anderson several options to consider for the absence policy. Suggested making a minimum number of members present in addition to via phone.

Long-term Financial and Health Board and Commission Relationship. Solis provided Purcell with potential dates and suggested that the Board Committee meet with the BOC Budget Committee. The three members of the Board are Tsoumas, Mitchell, and Anderson. Bowersox should attend. Purcell asked Anderson to forward the agenda to Purcell. Tsoumas noted that there is more to this than strictly budget, including communication between the Boards.

McDonald asked that Purcell explain the Health Officer evaluation. Mitchell, Foerster, Ponds represented the BOH, asked for 360 evaluation. McDonald expressed his concern about the procedure for the HO evaluation. Solis suggested that it be placed on the agenda the Health Officer evaluation and goals.

Tsoumas asked for an update on the status of the long-range planning. Will be presented in July and asked that Dottie Kay include that in her monthly updates.

Motion for adjournment. 9:16 am. All in favor.