

# Calhoun County Board of Health

## Meeting Minutes

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April 15, 2013

### **Board of Health**

Dr. Mahesh Karamchandani, Chairman  
Nancy Mullett, Vice Chairman  
Kathy Foerester  
Ken Ponds  
Rick Tsomas

### **Health Department**

Michelle Datema  
DeShaun Embry  
James Rutherford

### **Absent**

Kathy-Sue Dunn, County Commissioner

### **Other**

Ingrid Davis, MDCH

### **Meeting called to order**

Karamchandani called the meeting to order at 8:06 am

### **Public Comment**

No public comment

### **Consent Agenda**

Tsomas motioned for approval of the agenda, Ponds seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

### **Presentation**

Davis, a Maternal Infant Health Program (MIHP) Consultant from the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) gave a brief update regarding the Maternal Infant Health Program (MIHP) a home visiting program. MIHP provides support to promote healthy pregnancies, good birth outcomes, and healthy infants. The MIHP programs are administered throughout the state, in rural, urban and native communities through federally qualified health centers, hospital based clinics and private providers as well as through local public health departments. Davis explained to the board the direction of the MIHP program, and how a possible collaboration between the counties Nurse-Family Partnership Program (NFP) and MIHP would be beneficial for expectant mothers. Davis addressed questions from the board regarding data, outreach and funding. The Board invited Davis back at a later date to update them on MIHP's progress

### **Health Officer Report**

Rutherford presented the Health Officer Report. This report included:

- Bronson- Battle Creek Health System Update
- Community Health Needs Assessment Update
- Enbridge Oil Spill Update

### **BOH Membership Discussion/Action Items**

The Board continued to discuss the election of the Board of Health. This will be brought in front of the Board of Commissioners at the next BOC Meeting on Thursday. Jim will contact the candidate today to make sure that the candidate knows that her name will be taken to the BOC for consideration.

### **Closed Session**

The Board went into closed session

For a copy of a presentation or the Health Officer report, contact DeShaun Embry at 269-969-6463 or via email at [dembry@calhouncountymi.gov](mailto:dembry@calhouncountymi.gov).

**Meeting Adjourned at 10:00 am**