

**Board of Health
Meeting Minutes**
December 18, 2006

ATTENDANCE

Board of Health

Larry Anderson
Kathy Foerster
Byron McDonald
Benjamin Miller
Dr. Jeffrey Mitchell
Ken Ponds
Rick Tsoumas

Health Department

Dottie-Kay Bowersox
John Eva
Ted Havens
Brigette Reichenbaugh
Mike Waite

Calhoun County

Greg Purcell

Other

Lynn Jones, Kalamazoo County
Human Services Department
Elizabeth Huff, Battle Creek
Enquirer

Meeting called to order at 8:02 AM. Introductions.

Guests:

- Ryan Leonard, Leonard Well Drilling
- Ray Leonard, Leonard Well Drilling
- Jim Wood, Wood Well Drilling
- Rick Frye, Katz Well Drilling

Anderson motioned for approval of the agenda. Mitchell moved. Ponds supported. All in favor of the agenda. McDonald did not comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ray Leonard stated that he disagrees with the proposed sanitation code changes.

BREAST AND CERVICAL CANCER CONTROL PROGRAM UPDATE

M. Waite summarized the Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program (BCCCP) since its transfer to the Kalamazoo County Human Services Department (KCHSD). He indicated that many former clients are pleased with the services received since the transfer. The Kalamazoo County Human Services Department is discussing with Oaklawn Hospital about adding an enrollment site in Homer. Jones stated that communication with the Calhoun County Public Health Department (CCPHD) is good. She confirmed that the Komen grant funds stayed here in Calhoun County and will remain here. Other donated funds through the Phi Beta xx sorority also remain here in

Comment [BRR1]: Double check w/Mike

Calhoun County (approximately \$1,200 - \$1,500 per year). Mitchell asked for another update within the next six to nine months. Purcell stated that as State fiscal constraints continue, we will continue seeing more of these collaborative arrangements with other counties. McDonald feels that we need to ask for funds for our programs, including BCCCP.

CONSENT AGENDA

Anderson suggested that we accept each resolution separately.

Foerster motioned to accept the meeting minutes. Mitchell seconded. All voted in favor.

Resolution 13-2006. McDonald motioned for approval. Ponds seconded. The State, although mandated, did not provide the funds to fully support funding of the additional Hearing and Vision Technician. All voted in favor of Resolution 13-2006.

Motion to approve resolution 14-2006. Tsoumas approved. Mitchell seconded. Purcell stated this resolution can go to the Board of Commissioners (BOC) on December 21, 2006, however he feels we need more public opportunity for input. McDonald suggested that we hold another Public Hearing at the January meeting. All in favor of approval of resolution 14-2006. Mitchell: Yes; McDonald: No; Anderson: Yes; Tsoumas: Yes; Ponds: Yes; Foerster: No.

Anderson asked for a motion for reconsideration of motion 14-2006. Mitchell moved. Miller supported. Tsoumas stated that he is in favor of increases and fee revisions; however, we need to repost the public hearing. Anderson asked all in favor of rescinding the vote and setting up a public hearing in January or February. Foerster asked that the fee development process, since we are still below cost, be included as part of the public hearing.

All voted in favor of rescinding resolution 14-06. Mitchell moved. Foerster supported.

Mitchell motioned to hold public hearings in January at the next Board of Health meeting, date to be confirmed. Anderson supported. All voted in favor.

Resolution 15-2006. Anderson motioned to table resolution 15-2006 until the next meeting. Tsoumas moved. Ponds supported. All voted in favor.

Ray Leonard stated his concerns. He questioned the viability of the isolation distance of the well to the septic tank when bedrock is encountered within 25' of the surface. Regarding buried fuel tanks, he questioned the 150' isolation on a new tank, where there is a 50' on an old tank. Mr. Leonard questioned why a mound septic system is not allowed in Calhoun County considering Branch County have many mounded system. He also questioned why do counties have different codes? When installers crossover counties, they must learn multiple county codes.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Eva summarized the financial statements.

HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT

Distributed the Michigan Local Guide to Public Health for Local Governing Entities and The Coordinating Council Calhoun County Health Report Card.

BOARD DISCUSSION

Purcell stated that several other applications remained on the web site (names as follows). However, several of these remained on the web site from last year and were considered then.

Bradley, 2005
Drozdowski, 2005
Stover, 2005
Hayes, April 2006
Anderson
Mitchell
Foerster
Tsoumas

Mitchell asked Bowersox to compile a list of potential upcoming issues that may influence the fund balance. He also asked Havens regarding the sanitation code: who pays for all services included in 3.1. Mitchell suggested to potentially revise the wording within the code. There were five well drillers of the approximate 100 registered sewage installers in the county. How many well drillers and sanitation (5 drillers and 100 registered septic installers in county) 10-15 most active sewage installers in county. Mitchell asked Havens to submit to the Board some of the questions have been raised or what he anticipates as controversial or potential queries. Would prefer to have their comments and concerns prior to the hearing.

Mitchell: Future agenda items: Discussion on the philosophy of grants and fees – do not wait to discuss when fees are presented. Discuss future needs.

Motion for adjournment. Mitchell moved. Foerster supported. All in favor.

9:39 am.