



Washington County Board of Health
110 N. Iowa Avenue, Suite 300, Washington, Iowa 52353

WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING MINUTES

June 21, 2017 @ 12:00 p.m.

Orchard Hill, Building #2, Washington, Iowa

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Cathy Buffington, Chair
Chris Grier, DC
Trevor Martin, DO
Connie Larson
Jack Seward

PUBLIC HEALTH STAFF PRESENT:

Danielle Pettit-Majewski, Peggy Wood, Karri Fisher
Jennine Wolf, Jason Taylor

VISITORS:

John Gish, Washington County Attorney
Sally Hart, KCCI

The meeting was called to order at 12:02 by Cathy Buffington.

The meeting agenda and minutes from the May 18th meeting were approved on a motion by Jack Seward, second by Connie Larson. Motion carried 4-0.

Environmental Health

Jennine Wolf presented the budget -Revenue is at 114% because of the extra revenue from Mahaska, Keokuk and Wapello tanning, tattoo and pool inspections and expenditures are at 75%.

Jennine gave the Board an update of the Riverside complaint that started on May 4, 2017. There have been multiple requests from Julie to extend the meeting date. But, Julie has been sending pictures of her progress and explained why she keeps extending the date. Jennine said she is hopeful it will not be extended too many more times.

Jennine explained about a pool in Ottumwa that is out of compliance with many things on the inspection report. She explained she received the draft for the order to close the Lexington pool from the Attorney General's office. Jennine explained she was asked to review the draft and to comment on the wording of the closure and requirements to reopen.

Jennine gave an update on the Cahill dog bite incident. Jennine passed around a picture of the dog, Veto. Jack asked what Cahill had to do come into compliance. Jennine explained the compliance was with Chapter 50.14 of the Washington County Ordinance. She explained some of the 18 things Cahill did to meet this requirement. One of them was to have \$1000 cash or bond to the Board of Health. Cahill gave cash of \$1000.00. Jennine explained on June 16 she

received a call from Charles Sojka. He told her on June 12 he was on his land across the road from where Cahill lives at 1050 Tupelo Ave. He entered his pasture to check on his cows and shut the gate behind him. There were two small dogs and a pit bull that came across the road and up to the gate barking. Charles stood on the south side of the barn for up to 10 minutes thinking the dogs would go back across the road. The dogs then crawled under the gate. Charles crawled up a fence and into the next lot. The dogs were running the fence looking for an opening to get under. He made a run to his car and got there just before the dogs got to the car. Jason Slauchbaugh heard about this and asked Charles to contact me. He told me that Marj Schnobelen also had been bit by this dog.

Jennine read from the ordinance 50.15 explaining if the dog was found to be unrestrained, it could be either permanently removed from the county or destroyed. Jen has asked Jason Slauchbaugh to get written statements from the three people involved with the dog so she can bring it before the judge and ask for the dog to be put down, as this dog is dangerous. Jennine then asked the board what she is to do with the \$1000 from Cahill. John Gish said he would check into what should be done with the \$1000.

Jennine told the board she received the Grant to Counties grant for \$30,612. She explained the grant money is for free water tests, and help to plug wells or cisterns or rehabilitate wells.

Public Health

Peggy Wood reviewed projections for fiscal year end on June 30th. Peggy indicated that the projected department shortfall had been reduced to approximately \$4,000. She shared that Medicare revenue had increased in the month of May which help to offset planned expenses. Additionally, she added with the departure of the Case Manager at the end of June, combined with the termination of Elderly Waiver Case Management services, FY18 Medicaid revenue would be reduced by approximately \$65k. Current waiver clients will follow the Case Manager to AmeriHealth Caritas which will minimize interruption in services.

Danielle Pettit-Majewski presented several personnel change requests for approval: Termination for Jeri Crile, Case Manager, effective 6/30/17; termination for Jade Tusing, Home Health Aide, effective 5/26/17; termination for Breanne Hammond, RN, effective 6/30/17; new hire of Shannon Connelly, Home Health Aide, effective 6/29/17. All change requests were approved on a motion by Jack Seward, second by Chris Grier. Motion carried 5-0. Danielle added that the I-Smile Coordinator position remains open. The exception to policy for coordinator credentials was submitted to the Iowa Dental Board and will be reviewed at their next meeting on July 13th.

Danielle shared that progress had been made on the proposed HIPAA manual for the department. Once the final draft is received, she will present to the Board for review and approval.

The department received a notice of award for the 1st Five HMDI grant. The award for program implementation is \$88k for FY18. The Early Childhood Iowa Board approved applications for The Family Connection and Fluoride Varnish programs for FY18 in the amounts of \$148,200 and \$9,065 respectively. The department was notified on June 1, 2017, that the Dental Wellness Plan through Delta Dental would be terminated effective June 30, 2017. The outreach will be continue to be done internally through Delta Dental.

Next meeting scheduled for Noon, Thursday, July 20, 2017, Orchard Hill, Lexington Blvd.