



RICHLAND COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES
1201 West Holly, Room 202, SIDNEY, MONTANA 59270
June 8, 2020

Advisory Members Present

- Britney Petersen
- Julie Brodhead
- * John Dyneson
- * Deb Gilbert
- Stephanie Ler-Santarian
- Heidi Moran – Recording Secretary
- * Janet Christoffersen

Board Members Present

- Duane Mitchell – Commissioner
- Shane Gorder – Commissioner
- * Ray Trumower
- Melissa Boyer
- Loren Young-Commissioner
- * Kari Johnson
- Terry Meldahl

Advisory Member Absent

- Jacquelyn Free-Health Officer
- Jeff Hintz

Board Members Absent

Guest: Joe White (RCHD/CIA Corps), * Jamie Larson (Fair Manager), Kathy Helmuth (RCHD), Jen Doty (SHS), * Brent Sukut (Sidney Public Schools), * Monte Silk (Sidney Public Schools)

* indicates who was present by phone

2:30 PM Duane Mitchell called the meeting to order.

Reviewed Agenda: The agenda was approved. Melissa Boyer made a motion to approve the agenda and Loren Young 2nd the motion.

Minutes: The May minutes were approved as read. Loren Young made a motion to approve the May minutes, Shane Gorder 2nd the motion. The Special Board of Health Meeting minutes from May 4 and May 18, 2020 were approved as read. Loren Young made a motion to approve the Special Board of Health meeting minutes, Shane Gorder 2nd the motion.

Health Department Administration Report: Britney Petersen mentioned that she and staff have been working on the year two Drug Free Community Grant application which is due at the end of the week.

15 Chlamydia

1 Pertussis

2 Hep C Chronic (not 3 as one was a known case)

1 TB

1 HIV

1 Gonorrhea

1 Crypto

1 Malaria

16 Dog Bites (1 person not from our County but dog is)

1 Cat Bite

1 Ecoli (#2 under investigation as of 5/1)

1 salmonella

1 Strep Pneumonia

3 COVID-19 (domestic travel, close contact, and still being determined)

2019- 2020 Richland County INFLUENZA Season:

June 1, 2020 it ended. The State has not updated or got the report out yet.

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Worldwide: 5/10/2020: 4,153,871 cases, 284,628 deaths.

COVID-19 U.S.: 5/10/2020: 1,340,643 positive cases, 79,935 deaths, 216,169 recovered

COVID-19 MT: - 6/8/2020: 525 cases, 16 deaths, 22,572 tested, 62 hospitalized,

with 423 recovered. 20 active cases. ND - 1,518 cases, 36 deaths, 47,014 tested and 115

hospitalized. 846 recovered.

Emergency Preparedness:

Julie is reviewing the Pandemic Flu Plan which will be due for the Quarter 4 deliverables in July along with Capabilities #8 (Medical Countermeasure Dispensing and Administration) and #9 (Medical Materiel Management & Distribution).

MT DPHHS put out deliverables to be done specifically for the COVID response by health

departments; the first set is due Sept 30th.

For Quarter 4 pandemic flu is due June 30, 2020.

MEETINGS

The April 21 Business Continuity Planning training was postponed. The training can be rescheduled in person for the future or scheduled via video for a day or two sooner. The Health Care Coalition is meeting via a call on June 23, 2020.

Health Officer Report: Britney reported for Jacquelyn Free and her concerns are the number of people that will be coming to our fair from different places and how an outbreak will impact our community.

Sanitarian Report:

Stephanie mentioned that she will be in Dawson County on 6-9-2020 and they have received on applicant for the Sanitarian job.

Stephanie mentioned that there is a request from Steve Lunderby on County Road 351 to put in a slaughter house and to have holding tanks put in. Since it is in the flood plain the board needs to vote to except the flood plain permit. Melissa made a motion to except the flood plain permit in lou of variance via the Board of Health to have permanent holding tanks and Loren 2nd the motion.

County Attorney Report: Janet reported that she followed up with the High School Rodeo Association following the Junior High State Rodeo in Sidney and reported that their issue had been wrapped up.

Old Business: Jamie mentioned that tickets will go on sale in 2 weeks. She went over her draft plan for the Fair in Phase 2 and Britney went over what the health department suggested adding to the plan to meet Phase 2 guidelines including concerns. These drafts will be posted with meeting minutes. Jamie said there are about 55 vendors that are in the Event Center. Plans for the beer garden and rodeo need to be developed. There was brief discussion around the need to start thinking about the safety of the attendees and getting a message out of what the expectations will be for all fair goers this year. John asked the rules will be enforced and is there going to be a limit of sales for rodeo and concert nights. Jamie is going to find out where the Carnival has been before our fair. The Carnival will be selling tickets online and Jamie will have the link on the website.

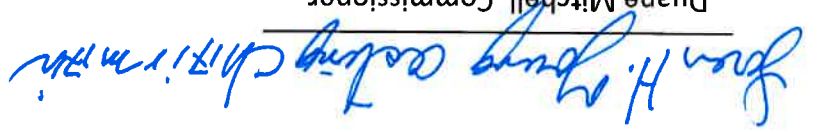
Shane mentioned that he would like to discuss the budget side of things with the other Commissioners, Jamie and John and he would like this discussion to happen very soon.

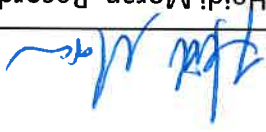
New Business: Monty Silk and Brent Sukut presented on plans to offer summer school. They will be doing on-site for credit recovery for 10 graduates and have about 30 other students that require summer school. This will be done on a case by case situation. They have been working on opening up the weight room and track and field. They have been following Phase 2 guidelines and National Federation of State High School Association (NFHS) guidelines. Only students and staff can use the facilities and not the community yet. They can't use locker rooms, water faucets. Users of these facilities will have to log information daily like temperature and etc. Boys and Girls Club has requested use of Central School's playground. There was no concerns from the Board at this time regarding the school's efforts.

Public Comment: None

Terry Meldahl motioned to adjourn at 4:00 pm.

Next meeting: June 22, 2020 at 2:30 PM


Duane Mitchell, Commissioner


Heidi Moran, Recording Secretary

