



RICHLAND COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES
1201 West Holly, Room 202, SIDNEY, MONTANA 59270
June 12, 2018

Board Members Present

Shane Gorder- Commissioner
Duane Mitchell – Commissioner
Loren Young – Commissioner
Ray Trumpower
Melissa Boyer

Advisory Members Present

Mike Weber
Judy LaPan
Jacquelyn Free-Health Officer
Julie Brodhead
Heidi Moran-Recording Secretary
Stephanie Ler-Sanitarian

Board Members Absent

Kari Johnson
Terry Meldahl

Advisory Member Absent

John Dynneson
Deb Gilbert
Jeff Hintz

Guest:

Heather Luinstra (RCHD/Sanitarian), Kali Godfrey (RCHD/CIA), Katie Mohn (RCHD/AmeriCorps), Grace Dean (RCHD/AmeriCorps), April Price (FNP student under Jacquelyn Free)

Shane Gorder called the Board of Health meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. and established that there was a quorum.

REVIEW OF AGENDA: The agenda was approved. Duane made a motion to approve the agenda and Ray 2nd the motion.

MINUTES: Changes were identified: The time of the meeting needed to be changed from 3pm to 2pm, need to add a y to Kathy's name and change "the word" and "to an." Loren made a motion to approve the May minutes with the changes and Melissa 2nd the motion.

REVIEW OF CHAIRMAN: Shane asked to make a motion to elect Duane Mitchell as the new chairman. Melissa made a motion to elect Duane Mitchell the new chair of Board of Health and Ray 2nd the motion. Mike would like to review the By-Laws of electing a new chairman. Article 5, Section 2 of the By-Laws states that the Richland County Commissioner Chairman will serve as Chair and shall conduct all business on the Board. In Article 5 section it states that officers should be elected. This is a contradiction that should be corrected.

HEALTH OFFICER REPORT: Jacquelyn reported that she will have a nurse practitioner student with her for 3 weeks.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT REPORT:

General Health Department: Judy reported that the DUI Task Force work plan is completed and needs the Commissioners signatures to submit to the State for approval. The three priorities are: 1) Token Program, 2) Increase utilization of the drug drop off boxes, 3) Increase public awareness and community engagement. Commissioners signed the work plan.

Judy also reported on CASPER. The day of CASPER will be July 12, 2018. We will be doing this assessment in one day and will need around 70 volunteers. There will be an AM and PM shift. The Commissioners agreed to do radio spots for CASPER.

Communicable Disease- Julie Brodhead reported the following:

Disease count for 2018 for Richland County ending date of May 5, 2018

- 2 probable Crypto
- 1 Norovirus
- 11 animal bites (1 refusal of the PEP)
- 5 Chronic Hepatitis C
- 1 Chronic Hepatitis B
- 2 Campylobacter
- 13 Chlamydia
- 4 Strep Pneumonia (pneumonia, meningitis)
- 2 latent TB (2 total – people take a 9-month long term of medication, one began last year.)
- 1 probable Rickettsia (tick fever after travel to South Africa)
- 1 probable Prion Disease (Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease)

Influenza for Richland County from Nov 20th, 2017 to May 12, 2018

198 (season), 173 (for 2018 year) cases of influenza, 158 flu A and 37 flu B, (3 un-typed); 15 hospitalized and 3 deaths; 63 tested positive reported having been given Tamiflu

MT INFLUENZA NUMBERS for the season from October 2017 to May 5, 2018

Season to date 10,175 cases, 972 hospitalizations, and 67 deaths (1 pediatric)
FLU SEASON ended June 1st.

Other diseases to be aware of are:

HEPATITIS A in the US within the homeless/ IV drug use population
Ebola outbreak in the CONGO

Emergency Preparedness update: Julie had the Board sign the checklists for the Disease Surveillance Policies and the Lab Specimen Transport Plan. Pandemic Influenza and Emergency Medical Countermeasures Plans will be completed and sign off on soon.

Julie gave a quick report on the LEPC meeting held today: “The Whole Community Approach to Emergency Planning” discussion that integrates special or vulnerable populations support needs into overall emergency plans. Also encourage agencies to have their own plans to meet the specific functional needs of the population they serve. Good attendance generated worthwhile information about what may be expected and what is needed when responding to various emergency scenarios

through the eyes of responders and of agencies. Same type of meeting will be at noon on the 13th, BOH members invited to attend. All the input will be compiled and shared with LEPC and attendees. Julie mentioned that she will be attending 2 courses at the 2018 Public Health Summer Institute in Helena in July for PHEP and Communicable Disease. Julie also reported briefly on the Kinder Morgan oil spill tabletop exercise. She attended with Duane Mitchell and both agreed that it was good learning experience.

Program Review-Environmental Health: Heather Luinstra reported on her 2017 PDSA: Workers Exposed to Sewage. This is to encourage those workers with risk of exposure to sewage waste to have their vaccination records checked to see if a particular individual needs specific vaccinations or boosters. The vaccinations that are being looked at are: Tdap and the Hepatitis A & B series. Heather reported that she mailed out 46 packets to different companies for the employees. She had 7 individuals receive their vaccinations/booster. She is doing her second round of outreach with 14 companies, for an estimated 39 employees. The BOH members made several suggestions to improve the outcome of the project.

Sanitarian: Stephanie updated the Board on kratom. She mentioned that she has gone out to 6 establishments and 2 of those establishments had the product. She has 5 more establishments to do. At this time both establishments have chosen to keep the product on their shelves.

COUNTY ATTORNEY: No report.

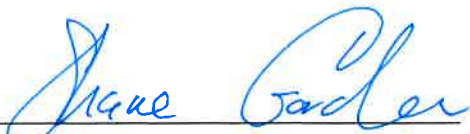
OLD BUSINESS: Shane mentioned that the FAA denied the permit for the municipal side of the garbage for the Yellowstone Landfill.

NEW BUSINESS: No new business

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There being no public comments, the meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

The next meeting will be July 10, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.



Shane Gorder, Commissioner



Heidi Moran, Recording Secretary

