



RICHLAND COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES
1201 West Holly, Room 202, SIDNEY, MONTANA 59270
June 13, 2017

Board Members Present

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

Advisory Members Present

Jacquelyn Free-Health Officer
Deb Gilbert
Jeff Hintz
Mike Weber
Julie Brodhead
Heidi Moran-Recording Secretary
Stephanie Ler – Sanitarian
Judy LaPan

Board Members Absent

Terry Meldahl

Advisory Member Absent

John Dynneson

Guest

Lori Reed – EPA Region 8

Shane Gorder called the Board of Health meeting to order at 2:05 p.m. and established that there was a quorum.

REVIEW OF AGENDA: The agenda was approved without correction. Duane made a motion to approve the agenda and Kari 2nd the motion.

MINUTES: Shane asked if there were any corrections or additions to the May 9, 2017 minutes. There being none Ray motioned to approve the minutes and Duane 2nd the motion.

HEALTH OFFICER REPORT: Jacquelyn mentioned that she was proud to see that Kathy and MaryAnn with the Richland County Health Department have a protocol regarding vaccinations for patients that have stem cell transplants.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT REPORT:

General Health Department Up-dates/Performance Management– Judy reported the Richland County Health Department will have to do an Action Plan for accreditation. The department will have 90 days to put together a Quality Improvement Plan and when that gets approved the department will have a year to show that we have implemented our Quality Improvement Plan.

Judy wants to thank everyone that gave letters of supports for grants. In a review of the AmeriCorps grant Richland County Health Department scored the highest. Judy is 99.9% sure we will get the grant. The LAC submitted the grant for the Table Top and should know if they got the grant by mid-July. Judy also submitted a grant to the state for funding to support Heather Nevins work on the Accreditation work plan.

RSVP will have their audit the last week in June. She also told the board that the Richland County Health Department will be the HUB for the Chronic Disease Program. Judy is currently working on budget.

Policy Discussion- Judy reported that Cristin and she attended the National Community Development and Extension Conference. We were invited because there is a consortium of universities that are studying CIA as a response to oil and gas impacts on community well-being, health, and social issues.

Communicable Disease- Julie Brodhead reported the following:

Disease count for 2017 for Richland County

10 Chlamydia

4 Gonorrhea

2 Chronic Hep C

1 Hep B Chronic (had it since birth)

10 animal bites

3 Campylobacter

1 Crypto

1 Streptococcal pneumonia

1 Haemophilus influenzae invasive (HIB)

2 Persons tested for Zika but negative

2 tick bite related – diseases: suspected Q-Fever and Anaplasma phagocytophilum infection (possible Ehrlichiosis)

3 suspect LTB cases – (working with Jacq Free, NP on these)

2017 Richland County Influenza - 18 case (8 influenza B, 9 had flu shots, 4 hospitalized – with youngest 9 months-oldest 91). Influenza 2017 Season for State of MT ended June 3, 2017. Final State report will come out later.

Health Alerts and MT Communicable Disease weekly reports:

MT DPHHS sent out a HAN Noted that there has been salmonella cases in MT related to baby chicks, part of a national outbreak

Emergency Preparedness update: Julie will continue to gather signatures to have members sign off on the plans that have been updated and reviewed during the BOH meetings.

Julie gave a brief overview of a plan:

Disease Surveillance Plan – Yearly the plan has been reviewed and there are not any major noted changes in the plan for 2017. Julie handed out a “disease investigation flow chart” and gave members an overview of how this is followed. For Example: RCHD has investigated cases like pertussis in the past following the written protocols in the plan. The plan (along with the Admin Rules of MT) guides our disease surveillance activities, investigations, provider & public communication efforts for treatment and implementation of control measures to stop the spread of disease and prevent deaths from communicable disease. Disease surveillance keeps the public healthy.

The Disease Surveillance Reporting Protocols Checklist was signed off for the deliverable due June 30th by the BOH chairperson and Health Officer at the end of the meeting.

Julie attended the PHEP Regional meeting in Miles City on May 17th for contract year 2017 -18. Julie will be attending the Summer Institute in Billings for the COOP training along with other staff.

Program Update: Don Smies reported on the Injury Prevention/DUI Program Plans. He went over the statistic for Richland County for 2015 and the Task Force Strategies for fiscal year 2017-2018. (See attachments for more detail). He reported on the Task Force priorities for Fiscal Year 17/18 and how they address specific areas of the CHIP.

Shane Gorder explained that budget s are tight. They are asking for a 10% cute, hiring slow-down and travel restrictions.

SANITARIAN: Stephanie mentioned that she had a Safe Serve Course on June 8, 2017. She also told them she will be having two more Safe Serve Courses on June 14, and June 15, 2017. After the Safe Serve Course on June 15, 2017 she will have 100% in compliance. Stephanie also mentioned that Holly Papineau, NDSU student, will be working in the Sanitation Department scanning old sewer permits in the system and that Heather Luinstra has been having good involvement for the Natural Resources Group and is working on a PDSA for Public Water Systems.

COUNTY ATTORNEY: None

OLD BUSINESS: Mike reported he is near completion of the 2nd draft of the Communicable Disease Control (Animal Bites) Draft Policy and will have it to Judy by end of June to look over.

NEW BUSINESS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

There being no public comment, the meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

The next meeting will July 11, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.

Shane Gorder, Commissioner

Heidi Moran, Recording Secretary