MINUTES
Linn County Board of Health Meeting
September 23, 2020 at 4:00 PM
Harris Building - Conference Room #234A/B
1020 6th Street SE, Cedar Rapids, IA
Contact: Kim Honn, 892-6000
*Indicates Action Items

1. Call to Order BOH meeting with a quorum – Mary Tarbox, Chair
   Dr. Tarbox, Board Chair, established a quorum and called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.
   Board Present: Mary Tarbox, Leslie Wright, Dr. Jim Levett, Karl Cassell and Stacey Walker (via phone)
   and Kim Honn – Recorder

   LCPH Staff Present: Pramod Dwivedi, Ann Olson, Ruby Perin, Larry Hlavacek, Jim Hodina and Tricia Kitzmann and Kim Honn (recorder)

   Guests Present: Diana Strahan with HACAP and Becky Nowacek, IDPH Region 6 Community Health Consultant (via phone)

2. Recognize Guests and/or New Staff – Mary Tarbox
   Mr. Hlavacek introduced Ms. Wanda Reiter-Kintz, welcoming her to the agency as the newest Environmental Chemist in the Laboratory branch.

3. Public Comment – Limited to Three Minutes Each
   None

4. Approve Agenda *
   Motion made to approved the agenda with an Amendment to add a PO for the Finance and Administrative Review section #8 as item A2.
   **MSC Wright/Levett
      ▪ BOH member/s excused absences
         None

5. Approve August 26, 2020 Minutes *
   Motion made to approve August minutes as approved.
   **MSC Levett/Cassell

6. FY21 Maternal Child and Adolescent Health (MCAH) Services Update – Diana Strahan, HACAP
   Ms. Strahan shared updates on First Five, I-Smith (dental program), WIC clinics were opened on 9/1/2020 (one being located in the Harris building. Maternal Health, via Telehealth, but now physically seeing
clients. IDPH would like to change the WIC / MH region area to be more collaborative and deliver better services to the client. The presentation indicated the changes that Maternal Child Health will see this year, along with an activity program update. Ms. Honn will send the IDPH link to Board, Ms. Strahan encouraged the Board to leave a comment by September 30th in the link provided. There was time for a questions.

7. Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program Update – Ruby Perin/Ann Olson
   Ms. Perin, Healthy-Homes supervisor, provided an update of the agency’s Lead Poison Prevention program. The Board asked questions and offered ideas to get this information out to the physicians.

8. BOH Committee Reports:
   A. Finance and Administrative Review – Karl Cassell, Committee Chair
      1. August 2020 Finance Statements *
         Motion made to approve the August 2020 Finance Statements as presented.
         **MSC Cassell/Levett
      2. Added the Purchase Order approval for $28,000.00 onto the revised agenda.
         Motion made to approve the Purchase Order for LAMAR Companies for the HIV Campaign.
         **MSC Levett/Wright
   B. Policy and Government Relations Committee – Mary Tarbox, Committee Chair
      1. Article VII – Control of Lead-Based Paint; proposed revisions
         Motion made to approve the proposed revisions for Article VII – Control of Lead-Based Paint as requested and send to the Board of Supervisors for three readings and final approval.
         *MSC Cassell/Wright

8. Health Director’s Report – Pramod Dwivedi
   • COVID-19 and Derecho: Updated the Board on the activities surrounding COVID-19 as well as on Derecho. Health Director gave a shout out to all the amazing staff working in this agency for their efforts with both incidents.
   • Health Director brought to the Board’s attention staff’s activities on several agency programs.
   • Due to COVID Food Share Linn was not launched. After some discussion, it was decided to refocus the efforts elsewhere for technology testing with food pantry/distribution centers. It was noted that Food Pantry’s are not receiving additional food requests at this time, due to businesses bringing in food for relief.
   • New modified ten essential services of public health, which is now focused on Health Equity. There will be more discussion since it just came out. The framework remains the same; assessment, policy development and assurance.
   • Ongoing conversations with interim director; conveying our priorities and not sure where IDPH is going with their priorities.
   • Health Director informed the Board he may need to go to India for personal reasons. The transportation may open after the end of this month. This could happen at a moment’s notice.

10. Public Health 2030: A Scenario Exploration – Leslie Wright/Pramod Dwivedi
    Ms. Wright and Mr. Dwivedi shared a document called 2030 Public Health 2030: A Scenario Exploration. The document features the future of public health, scenarios, emerging trends, what is coming and data points.
Next step: Requested the Board to read and reflect on the document. A Board workshop will be set up at a later date and discuss what may be on the public health horizon. Ms. Honn will re-send the document to the Board.

11. Board of Health Attorney Report – Heidi Carmer  
   **Not available**

12. Next Meetings:  
   - Board of Health Meeting – Wednesday – October 28, 2020 at 4:00 PM  
   - Finance & Administrative Review committee meeting October 22, 2020 at 12:00 PM  
   - BOH Policy & Government Relations committee meeting October 22, 2020 at 3:00 PM  
     - Note: Ms. Honn will send an update calendar invite for the committee meetings date.

13. Adjourn  
   - With no further business the meeting adjourned at 5:23 PM  
   **MSC Cassell/Wright**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kim S. Honn, Recorder

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