

## **BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES**

April 10, 2014

The Vernon County Board of Health met Thursday, April 10, 2014 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room, Erlandson Office Building. Members present: JoAnn Nickelatti, Ruth McClurg, Frank Easterday, Glenda Sullivan, Shawn Redington, Sherrie Seidel and Brian Turben.

Others present: Elizabeth A. Johnson, RN, BSN, Director/Health Officer & UW Green Bay Nursing Student

Excused: David Banner

Absent:

Meeting called to order by Chair JoAnn Nickelatti at 1:00 PM.

### **AFFIRMATION OF PROPER PUBLIC NOTICE OF MEETING**

Public Notice of Meeting was properly advertised and posted.

### **REVIEW PROCEEDINGS OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Minutes of the March 11, 2014 BOH meeting were presented and reviewed. Ruth McClurg moved to accept 3/11/14 minutes as presented. Seconded by Glenda Sullivan. Motion carried.

### **AUDIENCE TO VISITORS**

UW Green Bay Nursing Student explained that she was visiting the Board of Health Meeting as one of the requirements for a class she was taking to finish her Bachelor's of Science in Nursing Degree.

### **REVIEW AND VOTE ON VOUCHERS**

Bills for March 2014 were presented and reviewed. Shawn Redington moved to allow payment of bills for March 2014. Seconded by Glenda Sullivan. Motion carried.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **- Public Health**

#### **-Discussion of Public Health Preparedness and Response, SouthWest Consortium update and purchase of equipment/supplies.**

- The March 25, 2014 Mass Fatality Management meeting was cancelled with community partners- Emergency Management, Coroner, Hospitals,

Funeral Directors, Law Enforcement and Public Health was cancelled until a later date. The plan is to be drafted by September 2014.

- Exercise for LaCrosse Region #4 has been cancelled due to bad weather in the Northeastern Region. New date has not been set.
- Health Department will not be participating in regional exercises this year due to an important meeting concerning Amish screenings and genetic diseases. The Health Department has completed their exercise for the year by doing the Flu Clinics last October as the requirement is participation in one per year.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **- WIC Program update/Equipment/Supplies**

- The WIC participant count for March 2014 was distributed to the Board of Health.
- The WIC Program received a decrease in caseload down to 648 but an increase in funding – an extra \$16,669.

### **-Public Health**

#### **● Update on Environmental Health Activities**

- Tire site outside of Redmound – No new activity on this property. Appears to be a few tires around the buildings, but none noticed in the field next to the house as they were before.
- Property in DeSoto that Mr. Moris has been working on will be released. Family has done everything asked of them.
- Property in White City. Mr. Moris will begin to work with the family in the next two weeks or so, now that the snow has melted.

**TNC Program.** Staff attended a mandatory meeting in Madison in March and will begin collection and inspections later in April. Staff from DNR will be assisting with the first inspections.

- **Budget Reports -March 2014.** Budget reports for March 2014 presented and reviewed. David Banner moved to approve the March 2014 budgets as presented. Seconded by Shawn Redington. Motion carried.
- **Public Health Report.** Miss Johnson distributed the report for March 2014. Communicable Disease, Immunization and Referral Reports reviewed by BOH.

- **County Health Rankings**  
Materials distributed indicating Vernon County ranks 15<sup>th</sup> in Health Outcomes and 43<sup>rd</sup> in Health Factors.
  - ◆ **Health Outcomes** represent how healthy a county is:
    - looks at length of life
    - quality of life
  - ◆ **Health Factors** represent what influences the health of the county:
    - ▶ **Health Behaviors**
      1. Tobacco Use
      2. Diet and exercise
      3. Alcohol and drug use
      4. Sexual activity
    - ▶ **Clinical Care**
      1. Access to care
      2. Quality of care
    - ▶ **Social & Economic Factors**
      1. Education
      2. Employment
      3. Income
      4. Family & Social Support
      5. Community Safety
    - ▶ **Physical Environment**
      1. Air & Water Quality
      2. Housing and Transit

This report is a joint effort between the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute. The report is done for most counties in all 50 states. It is a starting point for communities to work on certain factors affecting the population to see if they can improve the health of their communities.

- **Approve updated Public Health Policies/Procedures.** The following Public Health Policies/Procedures were reviewed by the BOH:
  - ▶ Immunization Policies
  - ▶ Environmental Health

Shawn Redington moved to approve the Immunization and Environmental Health Policies as presented and reviewed. Seconded by Brian Turben. Motion carried.

**GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NEXT MEETING DATE AND ANY OTHER BUSINESS/DISCUSSION NOT REQUIRING A VOTE**

- ▶ **Prescription Drug Take-Back Day is scheduled for 4/26/14 at 7 different locations throughout the County from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM.**

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**- Next Meeting**

- The May 2014 meeting is scheduled for May 9, 2014 @ 1:00 PM
- The June 2014 meeting is scheduled for June 12, 2014 @ 12:30 PM

**ADJOURN**

Frank Easterday moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Shawn Redington. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ruth McClurg, Secretary