

## **BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES**

April 12, 2016

The Vernon County Board of Health met Tuesday, April 12, 2016 in the Second Floor Conference Room, Erlandson Office Building. Members present: JoAnn Nickelatti, Glenda Sullivan, Frank Easterday, Sherrie Seidel, David Banner, Rhonda Peterson, RN, BSN, and Shawn Redington.

Others present: Elizabeth A. Johnson, RN, BSN, Director/Health Officer

Excused: Brian Turben

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 10, 2016 BOH meeting were presented and reviewed. Shawn Redington moved to accept 3/10/16 minutes as presented. Seconded by Frank Easterday. Motion carried.

### **AUDIENCE TO VISITORS**

No visitors present today.

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

Bills for March 2016 were presented and reviewed. Frank Easterday moved to allow payment of bills for March 2016. Seconded by Rhonda Peterson. Motion carried.

### **PUBLIC HEALTH PREPAREDNESS**

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

- Ebola Exercise for Region 4 will be June 29, 2016 in LaCrosse.
- Fatality Management Tabletop Exercise is scheduled for May 5, 2016 in LaCrosse.

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

- The WIC participant count for March 2016 was distributed to the Board of Health. Because of the decrease in participants, the WIC budget was reduced by \$7188. The caseload is now at 513 and the program has to maintain at least 97% in order to stay at current funding.

### **Public Health**

- **Update and possible vote on Environmental Health Activities and Programs**
  - Follow-up on a complaint in Town of Wheatland has resulted in an Order of Abatement being issued to the party. The Sheriff's Office served the Order of Abatement as the registered letter was returned. To date, the Department has not received any response from the party involved. Mr. Moris will continue to work on this case.
  - Mr. Moris was involved in the assessment and issuance of Abatement Orders for a home in Viola that was involved in methamphetamine. The work has been completed and he is meeting with the property owners on 4/13/16 to close the case.
  - Mr. Moris is involved in a meth house clean-up in LaFarge. The Sheriff's Office served the letter to the landlord as there have been issues getting in touch with him. Mr. Moris is to meet with the landlord and others on 4/13/16 to inspect the house.
  - Zika Virus – Continuing to receive information from CDC and the WI State Division of Public Health and to date, there have been no cases of Zika reported in WI.
- **Budget Reports March 2016 and final 2015.** Budget reports for March 2016 and final 2015 presented and reviewed. David Banner moved to approve the budgets as presented. Seconded by Rhonda Peterson. Motion carried.
- **Public Health Report.** Miss Johnson distributed the report for March 2016. Communicable Disease, Immunization and Referral Reports reviewed by BOH.
- **County Health Rankings.** Distributed a snapshot of the 2016 County Health Rankings. According to the current rankings, Vernon County is 28 in Health Outcomes and 54 in Health Factors. It is difficult to compare years as different data has been used and they have added new areas. BOH encouraged to look at the website and review it for more detail.
- **Medication Round-up.** The Prescription Drug Take-Back Program will be held 4/30/16 at six different locations in Vernon County. It is sponsored by the Department of Justice, DEA and Vernon County Sheriff's Office.

- **Limited Agent – Agent Status.** Miss Johnson read part of the letter from the Department of Agriculture and Department Health Services that indicates those agencies who have Limited Agent Status now must make an effort to move to full Agent Status by 2017 or have the contracts cancelled therefore not allowing the Health Department to do further inspections. Discussion followed. David Banner moved to have the Health Department proceed with Full Agent Status and work with other counties if possible. Seconded by Shawn Redington. Motion carried.

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

**- Next Meeting**

- The May 2016 meeting is scheduled for May 10, 2016 @ 1:00 PM
- The June 2016 meeting is scheduled for June 13, 2016 @ 1:00 PM
  
- **Consider motion for entry into closed session, pursuant to WI Statutes, Section 19.85 (1) (c): “considering performance evaluation data of any public employee.**
- **Entry into closed session.** Motion by David Banner to enter into closed session. Seconded by Frank Easterday. Motion carried.
- **Reconvene into open session in approximately 20 minutes.** Motion by Frank Easterday to reconvene back into open session. Seconded by Shawn Redington. Motion carried.

**ADJOURN**

David Banner moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Shawn Redington. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Glenda Sullivan, Secretary

