

BOH02062018

The regular meeting of the Hancock County Board of Health was held on Tuesday, February 6, 2018 at 4:00 PM at the Hancock County Commission Office. Vice Chair Phil Rujak called the meeting to order and proceeded with roll call. Board Members in attendance were: Rick Smith, Kyle MacPherson D.C., Lisa Conti and Phil Rujak. Absent was Jim Pryor and Medical Director, Dr. Anna Suray. Staff members present were Jackie Huff and Carolyn Baker. Joe Barnabei, County Commissioner attended as well as Gabriella Fighiroae who wished to address the Board.

Vice Chair Rujak asked the board to review the minutes from the last meeting. Hearing no questions or discussion Lisa Conti made a motion to accept the minutes. Kyle MacPherson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Board members were then asked to review the financials for December 2017 and January 2018. After some discussion and clarification Rick Smith moved to accept the financials. Lisa Conti seconded the motion. The financials were passed unanimously and filed for audit.

Old Business:

Jackie Huff presented the board with information obtained from the Center of Local Health on the school start times. Most of that information had previously been submitted. The Bureau of Public Health was not aware of any time that they had suggested start times to the Board of Education throughout the State of WV. There was not any recommendation given to address the start times. Mr. and Mrs. Fighiroae were in attendance with new information and the Board had them speak now. Mrs. Fighiroae presented those in attendance with documents and correspondences. They had attended a BOE meeting in Moon Township, PA where two guest speakers(physicians) had presented medical information on the benefit of later start times in schools. The request to the BOH was to approach the BOE and ask those physicians to speak at the BOE meeting, and to provide education to the public of health benefits due to later school start times.

After some discussion, a motion was made by Rick Smith to provide a letter to the BOE that will address the **health** benefits of later start times. Possibly quoting some statistical data to support. He further requested that the Health Director compose the informational/educational letter. Kyle MacPherson second the motion. Kyle also stated he would be happy to help with the letter and sign off on too. The motion passed and Dr. Suray will be notified.

Information on the Certificates of Deposit was reviewed and further action will be taken when the CDs are due for renewal.

New Business:

Rick Smiths term will end on May 31, 2018 and he will not be seeking reappointment. The appointing authority was made aware and the County Manager.

The signature authority for the checking account will need changed with the bank and need to determine who that will be for the future.

Program Reports:

Jackie Huff reported that the required yearend reports were submitted to the state.

Clinical and Environmental Reports were provided to the board. The standards for the departments are timely.

Harm Reduction clinics are receiving some patients, engagement is slow, but have seen an increase in the social media inquiries for the program.

Threat Preparedness planning is ongoing with the Office of Emergency Services for a FEMA drill in the spring. The Health Department will be distributing KI as their role in the drill.

Communication:

The Steubenville Health Department has requested collaboration with the Hancock Health Department in the formation of the improvement plan for the community needs assessment findings. Staff of the Hancock County Health Department will be participating.

Weirton Water Department informed that a Boil Order was in place for 2-6-2018 starting at 10PM in Weirton. The staff of the Health Department phoned all establishments that were to be effected and provided the procedure for the boil order. While it was not determined specially it was anticipated that the order would be in effect for 24 hours. The Water department will notify when the boil order is lifted. The City Manager's office was notified that the Health Department would be contacting the effected businesses with the boil order instructions.

With no further business to discuss, Lisa Conti moved to adjourn and Rick Smith seconded.

Next meeting date April 10, 2018 at 4:00PM

Respectfully submitted on behalf of Anna Suray, MD