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The regular meeting of the Hancock County Board of Health was held on Tuesday, April 10, 2017 at 4 pm at the Hancock County Commission Office. Vice Chair Phil Rujak proceeded with roll call. Board Members in attendance were: Rick Smith, Phil Rujak, Kyle MacPherson and Lisa Conti. Staff members attending were: Administrator Jackie Huff, Chelsey Everly, Carolyne Baker and Health Officer Dr. Anna Suray, MD. County Commissioner Joe Barnabei was present.

Board Members reviewed the minutes from the Tuesday February 6, 2018 meeting. Rick Smith motioned to approve those minutes. Lisa Conti seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Board Members were asked to review the Financials for February and March 2018. Questions were asked about the state funding and if has been affected by the state budget. The budget to date has remained constant and the third quarter funding was received in today's mail. Expenses are still being monitored very closely. Travel expenses have decreased. Lisa Conti motioned to accept the Financials as presented, Rick Smith seconded. The Financials will be filed for the auditor.

Old Business: Dr. Suray had prepared a letter for the BOE regarding school start times and the health effects. She is requesting private conversation on the letter to make sure all topics as requested by the board were covered. Discussion tabled until later in meeting, Lisa Conti agreed with stating that they are committed to getting the letter out today after clarification. Executive session will be conducted with Dr. Suray, employee as far as what was requested was addressed. Lisa Conti agreed.

New Business: Jackie Huff reported that program plan and budget are in the works and will probably need approved by June 1, 2018.

Communications: Jackie Huff shared with the board a recent letter from the Office of Emergency Management director, Jeremy Ober. The letter was asking for continued support with their agency in lieu of the possible closure of the First Energy nuclear power plant. Jackie stated she had spoken with Jeremy and expressed support with his office would continue. The coordination in Hancock County has always been strong and that more responses other than the power plant will still be needed. Lisa Conti asked if this would affect our funding. We did not receive any funding from 1st Energy directly, so no immediate funding decline should be noted.

Program Reports from Staff

Administrative- Jackie reported program plan and budget in process.

Clinical-Jackie reported Clinical reports for February 2018 and March 2018 are in Board packets. Family Planning Clinics are scheduled once a month. Flu reporting is ongoing. Adult vaccine, Twinrix (which is a Hep A and B combined) is available for a discounted fee. Children's vaccine will continue at doctors offices and the Health Department. Dialogue on mandatory Flu shots in facilities for their workers was discussed. No Hancock County Health Department directive requires a flu shot(it is elective). Facilities could develop their own policies regarding the mandate of the flu shots.

Environmental- Jackie stated Environmental reports are in packets for February 2018 and March 2018. Chelsea Everly stated inspections are on schedule. The focus for now will be parks, pools, fairs and festivals. She stated

that there are approximately 5-6 new campgrounds being opened. Application for permitted facilities will go out in mail Monday, April 16, 2018. Carolyn Baker also commented about West Nile season approaching. Mosquito testing might be available.

Outreach-Harm Reduction program is ongoing, and we have had several participate. A vehicle is being purchased with the grant awarded (Brooke and Hancock) and will aid the departments in the communities and hopefully reach more people that need the Program. Narcan trainings and distribution continue. Present stock of Narcan will expire in June.

Threat Preparedness-Jackie reported she has been invoicing the grant monthly and receiving our funding with no delays. FEMA drills/exercises are in process with the Office of Emergency services and the Health Department will incorporate staff scheduling during the drill as well as KI distribution. Regional training will also be conducted with the Northern Panhandle Health Departments.

Public Comments

Commissioner Barnabei thanked Rick Smith for his years of service on the Board of Health. He then introduced Sam Decapio whom the commission appointed to fill the vacancy of Ricks position. Mr. Decapio term will start on June 1, 2018 after he is sworn in by the county clerk.

The Board asked Mr. Decapio if he wished to comment? He said no he was just listening and learning.

Board member, Rick Smith, thanked all the staff for their hard work and dedication to their jobs. He felt that the staffs' dedication and hard work made his position on the board better. He offered to Mr. Decapio that he had a great group of individuals at the health department to work with.

The staff and other Board members presented Mr. Smith with a thank you gift for his dedication in serving on the board.

The next regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Health will be on June 5, 2018 at 4:00PM at the Commissioner's office.

Rick Smith requested to go into private discussion on the letter for the BOE. Kyle Macpherson second the motion. Motion passed.

After discussion, Lisa Conti moved to submit the letter to the BOE and Rick Smith seconded. Motion passed. The Board instructed Jackie Huff to submit the letter to the BOE.

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted for Health Officer Anna Suray, MD by Jackie Huff