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The regularly scheduled Hancock County Board of Health meeting was held on June 9, 2020 at 4:00PM via conference call amidst the COVID-19 pandemic. Chair Plesa proceeded with roll call. Anthony Pavalis, Nicole Glass, Sam DeCapio and Sandy Haspel were all present on the call. Dr. Rhody, Jackie Huff, Carolyne Baker and Chelsea Everly were staff in attendance.

The Chair stated that if there were any public comments it would be limited to 10 minutes total. Individually, two minutes will be the limit. Speaker will need to announce themselves and topic they wish to talk about.

Minutes were reviewed and discussed. Chair asked for question or objections, hearing no objections the Chair moved to accept the minutes.

Financials were reviewed and Chair hearing no objection motion to approve the financials.

Public Comments: None

Old Business: None

New Business: The program plan and budget were provided to the board for review and or approval. The board. The board had no questions on the budget and the Chair moved to approve. All members were in favor of the motion. The budget was approved. Dr. Rhody and Chair Plesa will sign the documents for submittal to the state.

Community Testing per the Governor's office and the office of Minority Affairs and the National guard will be held at the Weirton Event Center. The Health department will take the lead on this event and partners in the community will assist. The Weirton Transit will provide bus transportation to anyone that needs testing. Brooke County Health Department will assist as well as volunteer nurses. LabCorp will be the lab that runs the test. The date and time are June 12th and 13th from 10-4. Chair asked, what is the number of guard and role they will be playing. Jackie stated that there will be 4-6 testers and 10 other guard to assist with different roles. There are 1000 test kits ordered and the Guard will have some with them if needed. The testing is open to anyone that would like to be tested no limits or borders. Weirton city was going to do a press release and limit who could be tested. Jackie told them not to do that because the purpose of the testing was to get anyone wanting tested, tested. The Weirton Police and Brooke ambulance service will also be near if needed.

Program reports from the staff:

Administrative: Plans are underway for the reopening of the health department lobby. On June 15th the doors will be unlocked and will require mask to enter. Temps will be taken and questions on if they are well will be asked. Social distancing will be done and only 2 persons will be permitted in the waiting room at one time. Sanitizing will be done upon the exiting of the persons.

Clinical reports were included. Family Planning clinic will resume on June 10, 2020 it will still be by appointment and one person will be in the department a one time. So that sanitizing can take place before the next patient enters.

Environmental Reports are somewhat behind but the sanitarians will be conducting inspections starting on June 15, 2020. They have been doing septic, parks, campgrounds, and manufactured homes to date. The state has extended the requirement for due date beyond the June 30th date. Applications and invoices have been mailed to the mailed. The applications have been coming into the office and permitting is taking place. The food handler logs must be included to be permitted. The Certified Food Protection Manager requirement has been extended to December 31, 2020.

Chair Plesa asked if follow up inspection had been done since Mountaineers opening. Jackie responded, we will do inspections as due, but the amount of people on opening day was not worth putting employees at risk. The Lottery commission was set the guidance for reopening and would ensure that it opened accordingly.

Outreach: Harm reduction continues at the office. The van is not running presently for off site clinics. Sheriff office is purchasing Narcan we have provided the training so we will need the Medical Officers to sign off on enabling them to purchase. Dr Rhody agreed to do so.

Threat Preparedness: Is underway since the Pandemic. Invoices and grants have been submitted and current.

Chair ask if any further discussions. Hearing none the next scheduled meeting will be August 4, 2020 at 4:00PM at present if will be an in-person meeting.

With no further business to discuss the chair moved to adjourn and all in favor the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted for Dr. Rhody