



LENAWEE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

MINUTES
Board of Health
January 20, 2021

**** Meeting held via Zoom ****

Present: John Tuckerman, John Frye, Terry Collins, Lee Ann Minton, Dr. Lorrie Tritt

Also Present: Martha Hall, Monica Hunt, Kasee Johnson, Natalie Johnson, Susie Dice, Angie Carlton, Marty Marshall, Dr. Dennis Chernin

CALL TO ORDER

The January 20, 2021 Board of Health (BOH) meeting was called to order at 4:05 pm by BOH Chair John Tuckerman.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Motion by Lee Ann Minton supported by Dr. Lorrie Tritt, to keep BOH officers the same as previous year to serve at current capacities. Motion carried, 5-0.

Chair – John Tuckerman

Vice-Chair – John Frye

Secretary – Angie Carlton (per Lenawee County job description)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Dr. Lorrie Tritt supported by Lee Ann Minton, to approve the January 20, 2021 BOH agenda as presented. Motion carried, 5-0.

At this time, BOH Chair John Tuckerman introduced Commissioner Terry Collins to BOH members and BOH staff.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

There was a typo discovered in the Environmental Health Monthly Well & Septic report. "Things have been busy will well and septic" will be corrected to say "Things have been busy **with** well and septic".

Motion by Dr. Lorrie Tritt supported by Lee Ann Minton, to approve the December 16, 2020 BOH meeting minutes as corrected. Motion carried, 5-0.

At this time, Dr. Dennis Chernin, Medical Director, joined the meeting.

REVIEW OF MONTHLY VOUCHER LIST

Accounts Payable (AP) Invoice Report [December 2020] – the monthly AP Invoice Report (full text on file), was reviewed. Clarification was requested on the following:

- *Vendor 12362 - First Bank Card: paid by EFT #24598 for \$169.95 – Space Heater/Electric Heater*
- *Vendor 14390 - Helix Diagnostics: paid by check #393730 for \$171,500.00 – COVID Testing Supplies*

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- *Vendor 10105 - Hoyden Creative Group LLC: paid by EFT #24614 for \$10,737.60 – Social Media/Website Management*

Motion by Lee Ann Minton supported by Dr. Lorrie Tritt to approve the December 2020 A/P Report. Motion carried, 5-0.

HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT

COVID-19 Vaccine Update – There is a high demand for the vaccine, but supply is very limited. Lenawee County has approximately 30,000 individuals eligible to receive the vaccine, weekly vaccine allocation is averaging between 500-600 doses. Martha explained that the CDC allocates vaccine to the State of Michigan based on population, the state then decides how to divide the vaccine amongst counties and healthcare systems. Lenawee County's first vaccine allocation was received on 12/22/2020. Currently, individuals wishing to receive the vaccine can register with an email address or phone number. The health department is experiencing an extremely high volume of phone calls on a daily basis from individuals inquiring about vaccine distribution and registration. There was discussion regarding the current vaccine distribution process.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR

Dr. Chernin provided an opportunity for BOH members and staff to ask vaccine related questions. Dr. Chernin explained that both the Moderna and Pfizer vaccine provide 95% efficacy. Additionally, there are three more pharmaceutical companies that are developing a COVID vaccine, but have yet to be authorized for use.

OLD BUSINESS

Medina/Hudson Township – The property was auctioned in October 2020; the individuals who are trying to finalize the purchase of the home are working to get the funding put into escrow to cover the cost of the sewage disposal system so they can get it transferred into their name. The BOH will be kept apprised.

PROGRAM REPORTS

Personal Health – *Monthly Clinic Statistics* (full text on file) for December 2020 were included in the BOH agenda packet. Natalie reported over 2000 COVID cases have been investigated in the last month. Regular immunization and family planning clinics remain operational on a limited basis. Natalie and personal health staff have been busy preparing and setting up for vaccine clinics.

Environmental Health - *Monthly Well/Septic Reports* – Kasee reviewed the December 2020, (full text on file) well and septic applications/permits.

Monthly Restaurant Inspection Reports – Kasee reviewed the December 2020, (full text on file) monthly restaurant inspections. The hope is that indoor dining will resume on 02/01/2021, details regarding the restrictions that will be in place for the re-opening of establishments have yet to be announced.

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January is Radon Action Month; a press release was issued announcing there are free radon test kits available through the health department for the month of January. Additionally, Kasee did a radio interview with Doug Spade.

Emergency Preparedness – No Emergency Preparedness report submitted. Susie has been assisting with the vaccination clinics, managing volunteers, and coordinating efforts with the Lenawee County Department on Aging.

Financial – Monica reported the health department received additional funding for COVID immunizations; and extensions were announced for three different grants. Monica has been assisting with COVID response activities as well.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

ADJOURNMENT - The Lenawee County BOH meeting was adjourned at 5:11 PM by BOH Chair John Tuckerman.

Respectfully submitted,

Lenawee County Board of Health
John Tuckerman BOH Chair
Angie Carlton, BOH Secretary

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