

BOARD OF HEALTH

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John Tuckerman, Dr. Lorrie Tritt
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MEETING LOCATION

Chambers

Minutes: Wednesday, July 17, 2024

I. Call to Order

Present: BOH John Tuckerman, BOH Vice Chair Dr. Lorrie Tritt, Commissioner Terry Collins, Aimrie Ream-Taylor, Lee Ann Minton

Also Present: Health Officer Monica Hunt, Environmental Health Director Kasee Johnson, Finance Director Jaime Greenwald, Nursing Director Natalie Johnson, Deputy Nursing Director Nicole Hanna, County Administrator Kim Murphy, Deputy Administrator Shannon Elliott, Marketing & Communications Coordinator Jennifer Ambrose, BOH Secretary Courtney LaCourse, Medical Director Dr. Chernin

The July 17, 2024, BOH meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM by BOH Chair John Tuckerman.

II. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Lee Ann Minton supported by Dr. Lorrie Tritt to amend the agenda to add a report from our Medical Director, Dr. Chernin.

Motion by Commissioner Collins supported by Dr. Lorrie Tritt to approve the July 17, 2024, BOH agenda as amended. Motion carried, 5-0.

III. Approval of Minutes

A. Approval of Minutes: June 20, 2024

Motion by Commissioner Collins supported by Aimrie Ream-Taylor to approve the June 20, 2024, BOH meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried, 5-0.

IV. Reports - Board of Health

A. Medical Director's Report

Medical Director Dr. Chernin discussed three areas of concern. The U.S. Surgeon General Dr. Vivek Murthy declared firearm violence a public health crisis. Dr. Chernin gave a brief overview of the most recent firearm statistics from 2022. More than 48,000 people died of firearms in 2022. Dr. Chernin discussed firearm risk reduction such as safe storage,

background checks, banning assault weapons, removal of firearms from violent offenders, safer public conditions, and more affordable and accessible mental health and substance abuse treatment.

Dr. Chernin gave a brief update on COVID. The rates of death are currently lower. However, 75,000 people die of COVID each year. Only 18% of immunocompromised people, 20% of elderly adults, and 30% of nursing homes have gotten the most updated COVID shot. Pfizer and Moderna are currently working on the new COVID vaccine. Dr. Chernin shared information about the antiviral medication Paxlovid that is used to treat the symptoms of COVID.

Dr. Chernin gave a brief update on H5N1, a type of Influenza A virus. This virus has spread very quickly into our poultry population and cow population. Over 99 million poultry, 157 cows, and 9,500 birds have been affected by H5N1 Flu. Currently, 48 states have had poultry infections and 13 states have had dairy cow infections. Currently, only 9 humans have been infected. Monitoring waste water is one surveillance measure taken to monitor this virus. Dr. Chernin discussed prevention measures that are currently being taken against this virus. Dr. Chernin addressed questions from BOH members.

B. Review of Accounts Payable Report

Accounts Payable (AP) Invoice Report [June 2024] - The monthly AP Invoice Report (full text on file) was reviewed. Motion by Lee Ann Minton supported by Dr. Lorrie Tritt to accept the June Accounts Payable Report as explained. Motion carried, 5-0.

C. Health Officer's Report

Health Officer Monica Hunt stated that our department will be undergoing construction beginning on Monday. Our department is partnering with local public schools again for the infection prevention initiative and will be shipping supplies such as Kleenex and Lysol wipes to schools in August. We have partnered with ProMedica Farms and Lenawee Public Transportation to provide the underserved with tokens for transportation and coupons for fresh fruits and vegetables. Any clients that visit our clinic who fill out the Social Determinants of Health survey can receive these resources. The Summer Cookbook has been published, and we anticipate publishing a Fall Cookbook as well. The Food Enforcement Policy Draft will be submitted to the Board next month for review and comment.

V. Existing Business

No discussion.

VI. New Business

No discussion.

VII. Program Reports - Board of Health

A. Personal Health

Director of Nursing Natalie Johnson stated that we are partnering with Adrian Pharmacy to get gift certificates for people who show the need for help with medications, supplies, or syringes. Adrian Pharmacy is also providing free items such as Tylenol, Motrin, or vitamins to those who present the coupon. Adrian Pharmacy is also going to serve the community by making free deliveries to those who do not have transportation for their pharmacy needs. Clinical staff are currently scheduling back-to-school immunization clinics and hearing and vision clinics. Family planning and STI clinics are doing pop-up clinics to reach different areas of the community with transportation barriers. The pop-up clinics will be held at the Ebeid center, Neighbors of Hope, and Share the Warmth through the months of July, August, and September.

B. Environmental Health

Environmental Health Director Kasee Johnson briefly reviewed the Well & Septic Permits/Applications for June 2024, (full text on file). Kasee reported that well & septic permits and applications have been steadily increasing. The Faster Horses event begins this Friday, July 19, and staff has been busy with the initial inspections. The majority of the food inspections will be conducted by the Environmental Health staff this Friday when the Faster Horses event starts. A Beach Advisory for Hayes State Park was issued on July 10th and advisory signs were posted. Additional samples were taken with lower numbers, and the advisory was lifted later that week. The Solid Waste Department is currently conducting a Materials Management Survey within the community.

C. Emergency Preparedness

Health Officer Monica Hunt stated applications are currently under review for the Emergency Preparedness Coordinator position.

D. Finance

Finance Director Jaime Greenwald stated that budget preparations are currently underway for the county budget which will be submitted at the beginning of next month. There is currently a vacancy for the Account Clerk IV position. Jaime provided an updated fee schedule on the immunization prices for this quarter.

VIII. Public Comment

No public comment.

IX. Adjournment

The Lenawee County BOH meeting was adjourned at 4:44 PM by BOH Chair John Tuckerman.

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