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MINUTES

BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

October 25, 2018

Nez Perce County Office

Board Members Present:

Dave McGraw, Chair
Greg Johnson
Connie Osborn
Rick Winkel
Doug Zenner
Mark Frei

Staff Present:

Carol Moehrle
Mike Larson
Rachael JeanBlanc
Tara Macke
Ed Marugg

Excused:

Dr. Jefferson
Perri Larson

The October 25, 2018 Board of Health meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Chairman Dave McGraw. Chairman McGraw asked for approval of the September 20, 2018 Board of Health Meeting minutes as mailed.

MOTION: Rick Winkel moved and Connie Osborn seconded the motion to approve the September Board of Health Meeting minutes as mailed. Carried unanimously.

Additional Agenda Items

NA

Public Comment

NA

FINANCIAL REPORT

September FY 2019 Financial Report

Ms. JeanBlanc presented the September financial reports:

As of the September report, we are 25% of the way through this fiscal year. September revenue totaled \$206,959 with Year to Date revenue at \$1,403,451. This is 28.31% Actual incoming revenue of the budget for the FY. September Personnel expenses totaled \$266,508, with Year to Date Personnel at \$800,504 this is 21.97% of the budgeted amount for the FY. Operating Expenses for September are at \$78,991 with Year to Date at \$262,185 this is 26.38% of the budgeted amount.

MOTION: Greg Johnson moved and Rick Winkel seconded the motion to approve the September Financials as presented. Carried unanimously.

Write-Off Report

Ms. JeanBlanc presented the September write-off report of \$263. Discussion held.

MOTION: Rick Winkel moved and Doug Zenner seconded the motion to approve the September write-off report as presented. Carried unanimously.

Cash Balance Update

Ms. JeanBlanc provided and reviewed the Cash Balance Report. This report shows a comparison of all seven Health Districts at end of FY18. Discussion held.

Committed Funds Amendment:

Ms. Moehrle provided a detailed explanation of the proposed amendment to lower the amount of Building/Facility Remolding committed funds with the paid completion of the Lewiston remodel.

MOTION: **Mark Frei moved and Connie Osborn seconded the motion to approve the recommended Building/Facility Remolding committed funds from \$1,000,000 to \$300,000 as presented. Carried unanimously.**

BOARD UPDATES

Board & Administrator Article Review

Commissioner Zenner addressed the process for organizing a successful conference thanking staff for their hard work. Discussion held.

Trustee Updates

Commissioner Zenner reported that D4 would like the membership for the Idaho District Boards of Health Association to be moved from mandatory to voluntary. D4 would also like to remove themselves from the IAC contract. Commission Zenner reported on the Food Fee discussion and the preference of each District per Trustee Meeting minutes. District 1 is following recommendations as presented by the environmental health work group. District 2 will be do the same. District 3 is developing methodology to determine true cost of service, based on findings they look to business to pay 70% rather than 30% and not charge 100%. District 4 is status quo for now. District 5 will study their fees and have not changed at this time. District 6 will hold and revisit in 6 to 9 months. District 7 will be looking at a new late fee and looking at an option preopening inspection and charge. Discussion held.

Medicaid Expansion

This was a follow up discussion from last month since we did not have full board participation in the Medicaid expansion discussion at last board meeting. Commissioner McGraw gave a re-cap of the board discussion and vote during the 9-20-18 meeting. Commissioner Frei shared the opinions of the Idaho County Commissioners and would like the record to reflect that he is not in support of Medicaid Expansion.

Board Member Updates

Commissioner McGraw reported that Syringa Trailer Park still has 3 residents, each of which has another place to relocate. Moving forward Latah County will be abiding to strict regulations regarding trailer park sewers/lagoons. Commissioner McGraw will also be participating in a HBO documentary series addressing Proposition 2.

Commissioner Johnson reported on the Solid Waste meeting held in Boise with DEQ. We feel like we have made progress on getting DEQ to reconsider the guidance on furniture and carpeting, but not grass clippings. The next meeting will be held December 19, 2018 at 12 pm via teleconference.

Commissioner Zenner reported that Nez Perce County has budgeted to hire another Civil Deputy to accommodate the inundation of mental health commitments and planning and zoning violations.

Commissioner Rick Winkel complimented Jake Davis, Environmental Health Specialist, for being professional in his duties. Commissioner Winkel was also able to talk with Russ Fulcher about weighted blankets.

Connie Osborn reported that mental health conversations continue between hospitals.

Commissioner Frei reported that they revised Idaho County medical insurance saving \$100,000. Idaho County also has advisory vote on the ballot addressing Idaho County Wilderness and Wild and Scenic River

designation.

Director's Report

Rural Crisis Response Update

Ms. Moehrle reported that Joyce Lyons, Ph.D, has been hired as the Rural Crisis Response Project Manager. Ms. Moehrle and Ms. Lyons met with the hospital administrators Monday to discuss their needs and how this grant might help our hospitals better prepare for behavioral health crisis response issues. The next meeting will November 12th to share more ideas. Discussion held.

Office of Drug Policy

The Office of Drug Policy received a 5 year federal grant for Adolescent substance abuse prevention. The program aims to reduce underage drinking, marijuana use, and meth use. The program funds will come to Public Health and we will be responsible for hiring a project coordinator who will coordinate the community efforts with the Regional Behavioral Health Board as well.

Legislative Meeting, Date & Time

The Board of Health meeting will be held December 13th at 10 am; the Legislative Luncheon will begin at 11:30 am; and the Region II Behavioral Health Board/Legislative meeting will be held at 1:30 pm in our Lewiston office. Board members may attend the behavioral health board meeting if they choose.

New Emergent Issues

Commissioner Frei asked for thoughts and opinions on the health hazards of Glyphosate. This product is receiving much attention as it relates to health impacts. Commissioner Frei will share his research with staff members to do some further analysis of the issue and potential effects.

Division Updates

Environmental Health Update

Mr. Marugg provided an update on non-municipal solid waste landfill guidance. The workgroup has made progress getting DEQ to reconsider the guidance on furniture and carpeting, but not grass clippings. Public Health is willing to work with the counties and facilities on doing a primitive compost operation on any grass clippings that come in. Discussion held.

Family and Community Health Update

Mr. Larson reported that There is currently and increase in cases of AFM reported in the United States. Acute Flaccid Myelitis (AFM) is a Polio like illness that is usually associated with children under the age of 18. Although it is unknown what organism is responsible for this illness, the common theory is that it is a known but unassociated virus. It is thought that the responsible virus may infect many people but cause this illness only in a select few. Multiple viruses have been investigated as a cause of this illness in the past, but no one virus has been associated with all of the known cases. There have been cases identified since 2014 with the largest spikes in cases being in 2014 and 2016. Early numbers of 2018 appear to indicate that 2018 may be another year with large numbers of cases. Symptoms include a sudden onset of weakness and loss of muscle tone and reflexes in the arms and legs. The most severe cases have symptoms of respiratory failure and can lead to death. Cases have been reported in at least 22 States so far in 2018.

The 2017-2018 influenza season started on October 1 and we are providing immunizations to children, county employees, senior living facilities, the public, and staff/family members. Illness rates for influenza in Idaho remain at "Minimal" numbers along with most other States. There is no data yet to indicate which strains of influenza are predominant or if the vaccine is a good match this year.

The health district has collaborated with a Medical Student from the WWAMI program (Aubrey Montebello) to provide limited immunizations to two populations in the Lewiston area. The medical students will offer a vaccine clinic for Hepatitis A & B, and Tetanus, Diphtheria, and attenuated Pertussis (Tdap) for both the valley homeless via a clinic at "The ROC" as well as the clients being served at Snake River Community Clinic.

Vaccine for this project was provided by the Idaho Immunization Program at "no cost" for this "Special Project". Public Health is assisting Aubrey in the vaccine handling and delivery logistics associated with this project. The logistics issues included arranging delivery of the vaccine, securing materials for administration, as well as documentation of the process and consent for treatment. Clinics are planned for November.

HR/PIO


New Save the Date cards have been sent to each District for the 2019 IAB Conference for June 19th & 20th at our Lewiston Office. Ms. Macke will continue to research meeting details.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, December 13, 2018 the Board meeting will begin at 10 am at the Public Health office in Nez Perce County, Legislative Luncheon to follow.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 3:47 p.m.



Dave McGraw
Board Chairman

Attest: 
Carol Moehrle, Director
Secretary to the Board

Board Minutes approved on December 13, 2018.