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MINUTES

BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

June 25, 2020

Nez Perce County Office via ZOOM due to COVID-19

Board Members Present:

Mark Frei
Greg Johnson
Connie Osborn
Dr. Jefferson
Doug Zenner
Dave McGraw

Staff Present:

Carol Moehrle
Mike Larson
Rachaell JeanBlanc
Perri Larson
Ed Marugg

Excused:

Rick Winkel

Guests

The June 25, 2020 Board of Health meeting was called to order at 9:18 a.m. by Chairman McGraw.

Chairman McGraw asked for approval of the May 28, 2020 Board of Health Meeting and Budget Hearing minutes as mailed.

MOTION: Doug Zenner moved and Greg Johnson seconded the motion to approve May Board of Health meeting minutes. Carried unanimously.

MOTION: Connie Osborn moved and Doug seconded the motion to approve May Budget Hearing meeting minutes. Carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT

May FY 2020 Financial Report

Ms. JeanBlanc presented the May financial reports:

As of the May report, we are 92.31% of the way through this fiscal year. May revenue total \$360,059 with Year to Date revenue at \$5,128,738. This is 94.03% Actual incoming revenue of the budget for the FY. May Personnel expenses totaled \$367,607 with Year to Date Personnel at \$3,054,815 this is 80.02% of the budgeted amount for the FY. Operating Expenses for May are at \$30,750 with Year to Date at \$596,303 this is 50.83% of the budgeted amount.

MOTION: Connie Osborn moved and Doug Zenner seconded the motion to approve the May Financials as presented. Carried unanimously.

Write-Off Report

Ms. JeanBlanc presented the May write-off report of \$188. Discussion held.

MOTION: Dr. Jefferson moved and Greg Johnson seconded the motion to approve the April write-off reports as presented. Carried unanimously

Director's Report

COVID-19 Updates

Ms. Moehrle provided a situational COVID-19 update. Ms. Sprenger and Mr. Deniston presented our DRAFT District 2 COVID-19 data dashboard via our new data platform, Power BI data visualization tool, to be added to our website. Discussion held.

Several large events are being announced via media, unfortunately most have not contacted Public Health for guidance. Hotels are at capacity with these large events and the hospitals are choosing to shut doors to visitors. Discussion held.

Ms. Moehrle discussed Board of Health authority pertaining to Isolation and Quarantine. This decision is not taken lightly, this will be a Board decision, but does not require a unanimous vote. Ms. Moehrle is drafting regional response criteria for Board review. Discussion held
Health Districts are struggling to keep staff due to the stress of COVID-19; we have been very fortunate to date. We continue to provide staff resources and information in an effort to reduce stress and maintain a healthy working environment.

Board Member Reports

Trustee Update

Ms. Moehrle reported on the 2020 IAB held via ZOOM Thursday, June 11, 2020. The meeting lasted 23 minutes, the meeting was well attended. The Budget was approved after the removal of the BSU contract and no new resolutions we presented.

Board & Administrator Article Review

Mr. Zenner reported on the "Identify essential tasks for board, administrator", we all need to be very mindful of those tasks and what roles we play in those tasks. By defining responsibilities, we can prevent intrusion into one another's jobs.

Board Member Updates

Connie Osborn, Latah County Representative, reported that they are still in Incident Command monitoring numbers and trying to secure on-site testing. Gritman is testing more now than ever; their new testing machine will identify 21 different viruses. Moscow Family Medicine's lab can run about 22 tests at a time for COVID-19. Working with the U of I to do a mass testing, hoping for 1,000 at a time.

Commissioner Frei reported concern in Idaho County over Border Days Celebration. General observation is that the public is done with this virus and the unreasonable restrictions from the government.

Commissioner Zenner reported that Nez Perce County is working with the court system to satisfy the rights of citizens to a speedy trial.

Dr. Jefferson reported that the WWAMI program will be back in classes July 1st. They will also start going into rural practices in the next few weeks.

Commissioner McGraw reported concern over Latah County employees and stresses involved with COVID-19. Also reporting concern over future events.

Environmental Health Update

Mr. Marugg reported that the Rainbow Gathering is now moving to the Riggins area. We anticipate a smaller event than normal, but numbers may still be in the thousands. This is unfortunate for the environment and the locals. The Forest Service is the lead agency that oversees the gathering. Environmental Health staff are busy providing guidance to event organizers on top of increased sewer inspections/permits. Mr. Marugg reported an uptick in dog bites causing an increase in rabies investigations. Preparedness staff continue to work with healthcare facilities to ensure that they have PPE.

Family & Community Health Division Administrator

Mr. Larson reported that contact tracing and investigations continue. We are trying to expand our staff for future COVID-19 needs. It is important to look at the overall number of cases, but also where the cases are coming from. This virus is shown to be devastating to certain populations.

We are back to providing immunizations by appointment out of the Nez Perce County and Latah County offices.

Office Services

Ms. Larson reported that staff are doing well. We continue to have all staff meetings via teleconference twice a week.

HR/PIO

Ms. Macke reported that Human Resources is quite busy in preparation for hiring and onboarding vacant positions. Public Information requests continue daily.

Executive Session per IC 74-206 (b,d,f)

MOTION: At 10:39 a.m. Doug Zenner moved and Dr. Jefferson seconded the motion to enter Executive Session per IC 74-206 (b,d,f). Roll call Mark Frei, Greg Johnson, Connie Osborn, Dave McGraw and Doug Zenner. Carried unanimously.

Executive Session adjourned at 10:44 a.m.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, July 23, 2020 the Board of Health meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. at the Public Health office in Nez Perce County via ZOOM due to COVID-19.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 10:47 a.m.



Dave McGraw
Board Chairman

Attest: 

Carol Moehrle, Director
Secretary to the Board

Board Minutes approved on July 23, 2020.