

MINUTES OF BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
January 5, 2011

Meeting was called to order by Chair Kraft at 6:00 p.m.

Board of Health Members Present: Chair Kraft, Supervisor Peer, Supervisor Bostwick, Supervisor Thompson, Dr. Winter, Dr. Peterson, Ms. Wade, and Dr. Best.

Board of Health Members Absent: Mr. Rooney.

Staff Members Present: Karen Cain – Health Officer; Janet Zoellner – Nursing Director; Tim Banwell – Environmental Health Director; Sancee Siebold – Nursing Supervisor South Office; Deborah Erickson – Nursing Supervisor North Office; Carol McComb – Public Health Support Specialist; and Peter Zakarias – Environmental Health Technician/Sanitarian I.

Others Present: none.

Adopt Agenda

Dr. Peterson made a motion to approve the agenda. Dr. Winter seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED.

Approval of Minutes 12/1/10

Supervisor Peer made a motion to approve the minutes of the 12/1/10 Board of Health meeting. Ms. Wade seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED.

Citizen Participation

None at this time.

Unfinished Business

None at this time.

New Business

Administrative Division

Approval of Bills/Transfer of Funds

Dr. Peterson asked what the invoice was for under #64900 in the amount of \$715.98 to Veolia. Mr. Banwell stated that Veolia was the company that transported the prescription drug round-up drugs for disposal and “witness burn”. The drugs went from Rock County to Jefferson County and then on to St. Louis to be burned. The money paid for transport, paperwork and disposal of the drugs collected at the round-up.

Dr. Winter made a motion to approve the bills for the month of December 2010 in the amount of \$29,398.03 and bills for the 2011 Health Department budget in the amount of \$24,195.00. Ms. Wade seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED.

Transfer of Funds: Due to clerical staff vacancies, the Health Department has been using a Manpower temporary person to assist with data entry and front desk work. \$800.00 of this transfer request would be from #64000 Medical Supplies to #62119 Other Contracted Services. The Health Department has used interpreters frequently in 2010, creating the need for this transfer to allow sufficient funds for the remainder of 2010. \$1,200.00 of this transfer request would be from #64000 Medical Supplies to #62503 Interpreter Fees. After testing the additional water samples that the Health Department received in conjunction with the State Flood Grant, the department needed to replenish needed laboratory supplies; this transfer of funds will cover these costs. \$1,500.00 of this transfer request would be from #64000 Medical Supplies to #64010 Laboratory Supplies. Supervisor Peer made a motion to approve the transfer of funds. Dr. Peterson seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED.

Health Department Report

2011 Rx Program Grant: Received notification from the Department of Agriculture that the Health Department was awarded a \$6,225.00 Rx Program Grant.

WALDHAB: The Health Department would be receiving another \$10,000.00-\$20,000.00 in preparedness money around February/March 2011 and more would be coming around July 31, 2011. This year \$190,000.00 was leftover for the consortia and is to be disbursed throughout the consortia.

Books for Babies: The Health Department was awarded the Books for Babies Grant in December 2010 from Alliant Energy in the amount of \$2,000.00. Since it was received in 2010 we can apply for it again in 2011.

PNCC: Ms. Cain received a memo from Phil Boutwell, Director of Human Services, that Human Services had been overpaid \$150,000.00 for PNCC by the State. The State would not take the money back but deduct it from future payments. Mr. Boutwell, Ms. Klyve, Mr. Smith and Ms. Cain will meet to try to figure out where the error was made. Ms. Cain will keep the Board of Health updated on the matter.

Rx Drug Collection: Janesville Police Department has decided that would like to have a 24/7 Drug Drop-Off Program. They are moving forward with plans to develop a program. The City of Evansville did not allocate any money in their budget for an Rx Drug Drop-Off Program. They have asked their residents for donations towards such a program in addition to the \$400.00 the Health Department would give them out of the American Transmission Company payment. Chair Kraft, Tim Banwell and Ramona Flanagan will be meeting on developing a plan for the City of Edgerton to have an Rx Drug Collection site.

Juvenile Justice System Collaboration: The Health Department in collaboration with the Human Services Department Juvenile Justice System is working to design a program that works with young adolescent women who have a history of sexually transmitted disease; are pregnant or are already young parents. This program would provide them with education and family therapy. Many of these young women are mandated to accept these programs or face going to juvenile detention.

Health Impact Assessment Program Grant: In October 2010, the Health Department applied for the Health Impact Assessment Program Grant. The Health Department was awarded the grant of \$10,000. This grant will be used to study the health impact of a new development, Rock Prairie Dairy, located in the Town of Bradford,

on Rock County. Registered Sanitarians, Matt Wesson and Adam Elmer, went to training on the Health Impact Assessment process. The assessment will be done in March 2011. Tim Banwell, Matt Wesson and Adam Elmer attended the public hearing in Bradford Township to gather information about the Rock Prairie Dairy Project.

Well Abandonment: Rock County Land Conservation referred to the Health Department a well located in Avon Township that has not been properly abandoned. The Health Department has a Memorandum of Understanding with Land Conservation allowing the Health Department to enforce the well abandonment. If the owners collaborate with Land Conservation, there are funds available to help citizens abandon wells properly. Once the Health Department becomes involved, the funds are no longer available. Mr. Banwell has sent a letter to the well owner but has not received a response as of yet.

Recognizing the African American Infant Mortality Coalition President Marilyn Kilgore and Project Manager Angela Moore

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled on this _____ day of _____, 2011, does hereby announce its support of the work of the African American Infant Mortality Coalition and recognize Marilyn Kilgore and Angela Moore for their dedication and service to the children of our community.

Supervisor Bostwick made a motion to approve the Resolution Recognizing the African American Infant Mortality Coalition President Marilyn Kilgore and Project Manager Angela Moore. Ms. Wade seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED.

Accepting Health Impact Assessment Grant and Amending the 2011 Rock County Health Department Budget

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled on this _____ day of _____, 2011, does hereby authorize the Rock Health Department to accept the Health Impact Assessment Grant in the amount of \$10,000, and amend the 2011 Rock County Health Department budget as follows:

<u>Account/Description</u>	<u>Budget 1/1/11</u>	<u>Increase (Decrease)</u>	<u>Amended Budget</u>
<u>Source of Funds</u>			
31-3015-0000-42100			
Federal Aid	-0-	\$10,000	\$10,000
<u>Use of Funds</u>			
31-3105-0000-63110			
Administrative Expense	-0-	\$10,000	\$10,000

Supervisor Peer made a motion to approve the Resolution Accepting Health Impact Assessment Grant and Amending the 2011 Rock County Health Department Budget. Dr. Best seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED.

Attendance at Conventions/Conferences: Ms. Cain attended the NACCHO convention in Memphis, Tennessee on July 13-16, 2010. The total expense for registration, airfare, and hotel/meals was \$1,487.83.

Public Health Nursing

The Flu in Wisconsin: How Do We Know It Is Here?

Ms. Zoellner discussed how the Health Department monitored the flu and why. Influenza surveillance is conducted to determine when the virus is circulating, where the virus is circulating and how much influenza activity is circulating. Identification of different types of flu and strains are also monitored.

Different Types of Surveillance:

*Laboratory Based:

*Reporting from WI State Lab of Hygiene

*Voluntary reporting from clinicians and labs

-Provides weekly summary reports on numbers of specimens and positives for which virus

-Provides information if virus is responsive to medications

-Provides information on the types of strains circulating, in which communities, if unusual circumstances occurring, if causing death

*Syndromic Surveillance:

-Influenza Branch of CDC directs sentinel clinicians to report number of patients with influenza-like illness (ILI) (fever, cough/sore throat, no other reason for illness)

-Schools, Long-term care facilities and other congregate settings report ILI outbreaks

Reports: Not all cases get reported, only the cases hospitalized. Confirmed cases are tracked to determine when we first start to see influenza activity each year and to determine what strains are circulating.

It is recommended to everyone to get a flu shot every year. Some CDC/State surveillance reports are Wisconsin Weekly Surveillance Report, CDC National Reports and you can Google "Flu Trends".

Environmental Health

Recent Reports on Chromium in the Water

Mr. Banwell discussed chromium in drinking water. A recent survey conducted by an environmental activist group identified hexavalent chromium in numerous municipal drinking water supplies. In general, chromium exists in two forms; trivalent and hexavalent. While trivalent chromium is necessary in our diet, hexavalent chromium is a carcinogen. The current drinking water standard for chromium is 100 ppb (parts per billion), but the state of California is considering a proposal of 0.06 ppb hexavalent chromium. The EPA is also evaluating the current standard. The cities of Milwaukee and Madison's public water supply are at 0.18 ppb hexavalent chromium. In 2008, the total chromium in the Beloit public water supply was 6.0 ppb and Janesville's was 5.0 ppb. The levels of trivalent and hexavalent chromium were not differentiated. In 1989, the Rock County Health Department tested wells in the Mole Sadler subdivision, located by Riverside Park, for organic compounds from leaking underground storage tanks. The tests discovered hexavalent chromium in several wells due to contamination from an electroplating factory.

There are several common sources of chromium exposure:

Diet: meats, shellfish, vegetables, unrefined sugars

Air: dust from contaminated sites, tobacco

Water: natural, contaminant from industrial sources

Occupational: welders, stainless steel manufacturing, electroplating, pigment industry, leather tanning

Some of the health risks of chromium can be:

Lung and stomach cancer, asthma and reproductive concerns

Communications and Announcements

Dr. Peterson inquired about the status of Kountry Kourts. Mr. Banwell stated that there are 4-5 trailers still there. He was scheduled to meet with Larry Harding, Town Chair, to discuss the next step, but it was cancelled due to an illness.

Dr. Winter stated she received a letter in the mail from SHOW (Survey of the Health of Wisconsin). The Survey of the Health of Wisconsin is an ongoing statewide public health research project, designed to measure the health of Wisconsin residents. Dr. Winter stated that Fulton Township was scheduled to be surveyed in January, 2011. Ms. Cain stated that 3 townships are to be surveyed this year. People will be contacted to participate.

Adjournment

Supervisor Bostwick made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Wade seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED. Meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol McComb, Recorder

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