

**PAGE COUNTY
BOARD OF HEALTH
MINUTES
May 17, 2021**

The Page County Board of Health (BOH) meeting was held via Zoom. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

Members in attendance: Chuck Nordyke, Jona Hutson, Lori Gibson and Heather Babe. Also in attendance: Darin Sunderman, Alan Armstrong, Austin McNorton, Chris Gregory.

Nordyke called the meeting to order. Motion to approve the agenda made by Babe, seconded by Hutson, motion carried. Motion to approve meeting minutes from March 15, 2021 made by Babe, seconded by Hutson.

PROGRAM REPORTS:

Karla Hynes, Matura WIC

Hynes updated on the CDC mask guidance in correlation to WIC clinics being offered in person. At this point she is unsure as to when they will be offering in person clinics. They can see more people virtually than if they were doing face to face meetings. Farmer's Market starts June 1st. Those on WIC, if eligible, will receive vouchers to spend at the Farmer's Market. The value is increasing to \$140 per participant for the season.

Darin Sunderman, Environmental Health Report

Sunderman went over activities for March and April. Tanning facility inspections are being done, as well as starting swimming pool inspections. Sunderman has helped a lot with COVID clinics as outdoor work was very limited due to the weather. Sunderman is working with the City of College Springs and on future planning for rate setting for septic system upgrades. Sunderman informed the Board that he is driving the work truck home again since construction work is picking up. He has worked this out with the Auditor's office. He often works early mornings and then has late day inspections, as well as occasionally working on weekends.

Darin Sunderman- given for Jessica Erdman, Public Health Report

Sunderman updated the Board on activities done in March and April, see Administrator's reports. He reported that PCPH had administered 3,727 COVID vaccines and 2 Hep-B vaccines. BP clinics are still on hold. 12 Homemaker clients, with 4 on a waiting list. PCPH is currently full on Homemaker clients. Sunderman updated the board on the trainings that have been attended by staff, as well as the events that were attended to promote PCPH's services that are offered. Two new staff have been hired. Rhonda Grebert is the new Tobacco Prevention Coordinator and Amy Beal is the new financial/office assistant and MCAH Outreach Coordinator. Sunderman also welcomed new Board member Lori Gibson. Hutson would like to see more education done on myths surrounding COVID vaccines.

OLD BUSINESS:

Appoint Chair and Co-chair

Hutson nominated Nordyke as Chair. Nordyke nominated Hutson as vice-chair. Motion to approve Nordyke as BOH Chair and Hutson as BOH Co-Chair made by Babe, seconded by Gibson, motion carried.

Public Health By-Laws

Board members reviewed changes made to Page County Board of Health By-Laws. See Board of Health By-Laws. Motion to approve By-Laws with changes made by Nordyke, seconded by Babe, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Policies with Revisions: Grants to Counties. Motion to approve policies with revisions made by Babe, seconded by Hutson, motion carried.

Policies without revisions: Tobacco Use Prevention and Control Program, Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Response, Tuberculosis Control, Tuberculosis Screening, Wellness/Health Education, Dog and Domesticated Animal Bite Policy, Septic License Policy, Time and Transfer, Well Construction Policy, Well Plugging Policy. Motion to approve policies with no revisions made by Babe, seconded by Hutson, motion carried.

New Policies: **None.**

Policies Placed on Hold/Merged: **None.**

Tobacco Grant Submission

PCPH has reapplied for the Tobacco Grant. The application included Page, Montgomery, Taylor, Adams, Fremont, and Cass Counties. Grant award letter will be sent out on May 27th. No action taken.

COVID Update

Sunderman updated BOH on Covid vaccine efforts that have been taking place in the County. Sunderman reported that Erdman and a Board of Supervisor had discussed the possibility to issuing an incentive for those who are fully vaccinated and who are Page County residents. Nordyke reported that CRHC is offering a type of reward for employees receiving the COVID vaccine. Board felt a lottery type project would be a good idea, but questioned liability. Erdman is to report known liability issues to BOH.

Public Comment

Chuck Nordyke- CRHC has not been asked to reapply for the Test Iowa site, so when that contract expires, the site may go away.

Babe moved to adjourn the meeting. Gibson seconded. The meeting adjourned at 6:27 PM.

The next scheduled BOH meeting will be held on Monday, July 19th, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the Page West building in Shenandoah.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Erdman
Agency Administrator



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