

# Trempealeau County

## Health Department

Date: February 21, 2012

Members Present:

Rodney Severson	Mike Nelson
Pamela Nelson	George Brandt
Dr. J. Selkurt	Dr. Baxa

Others Present:

Sherry Rhoda	Carol Bawek
Jamie Kabus	

**1. Call to Order**

The Trempealeau County Board of Health meeting was called to order by Chairperson Rodney Severson. Time: 6:01 p.m.

**2. Certification of Open Meeting Law Requirements**

Posting and notification accomplished the requirements of the Open Meeting Law.

**3. Adoption of Agenda**

*A motion made by Mr. Brandt seconded by Dr. Baxa to accept the agenda as mailed. Motion carried. See Appendix A 1.*

**4. Approval of Minutes**

*Motion made by Mr. Nelson, seconded by Dr. Baxa to approve the minutes as mailed. Motion carried.*

**5. Closed Session per WI Stat 19.85 (1) (c) to consider**

*A motion was made by Mr. Brandt, seconded by Ms. Nelson proceed into closed session. Motion carried. Time: 6:04 p.m.*

**6. Reconvene into Open session**

*A motion was made by Mr. Nelson, seconded by Mr. Brandt to reconvene into open session. Motion carried. Time: 6:14 p.m.*

**7. National Network of Public Health Institutes**

Ms. Rhoda has submitted a grant application to the National Network of P.H. Institutes for the sum of \$5,000. Ms. Rhoda stated it was good experience and a challenge to enter the National level.

**8. Environmental Program Update**

Ms. Higginbotham is assisting with the inspections. Ms. Hunger is caught up with inspections. Mr. Severson stated he heard a compliment regarding Ms Hunger on how polite and thorough she was when inspecting.

**9. Home Care Case Review**

Ms. Barczak has been involved in an extensive case with daily home visits. We can see patients on self-pay, V.A. basis.

**10. CHA (Community Health Assessment)/CHIP (Community Health Improvement Plan) Results**

Ms. Malone will be available at the next board of health meeting and the staff meeting to review and discuss the final assessment. See Appendix A 2.

**11. Employee Assistance Program**

Ms. Kabus received 25 responses from the employee survey as to whether or not employees would participate in the program. Ms. Kabus, stated with some surveys, it was clear there was lack of understanding of the program. The committees are looking at how the county could fund this project.

**12. Safe Sleep Program**

With the participation in the Child Death Review Team, some of the children's deaths could have been prevented by stopping co sleeping. Ms. Barczak has been awarded grants for purchasing pack and plays and car seats. The American Legion donated money for the purchase of additional pack and plays. When a client receives their item the Public Health Nurse educates all safety measures to use.

**13. Vector borne Disease Control in Trempealeau County**

Ms. Rhoda reviewed the surveillance report from the La Crosse County Health Department. Approximately 838 sites were monitored, 345 sites set with traps, 48 sites with tires. Abating was done to the tire areas. Abating means chemical sprays were applied killing the breeding area.

**14. Agency Budget – Update**

The Board of Health Committee reviewed the 2011 agency report. Appendix A 3.

**15. Approval of Vouchers**

*A motion was made Mr. Brandt, seconded by Mr. Severson to approve the vouchers in the amount of:*

<i>Public Health</i>	-	\$	502.65
<i>PHEP</i>	-		45.77
<i>School Based Sealant</i>			828.34
<i>W.I.C.</i>	-		1,340.99
<i>Radon</i>	-		399.75
<i>T.N.C.</i>	-		6.58
<i>W.I.C. Breafeeding</i>	-		3.76
<i>Total</i>	-	\$	5,098.24

*Motion carried.* See Appendix A 4.

**16. Director’s Report**

- Back-up generator for vaccine – It has been reported the generated has never been tested. If we lose power we lose our vaccine. Discussion was to investigate use of a power pack.
- TB Education to Local HCP’s (Health Care Providers) Ms. Rhoda presented.
- Preparedness objective Hazard Vulnerability Assessment  
Worked with Emergency Management, Midelfort Oak Ridge Tri-County Memorial Hospital looking at catastrophes. March 7<sup>th</sup> is when we are having our exercise.
- Annual Contracts Report Completed - Completed and sent to regional office.
- Antenna not hooked up for TV – Not hooked up. Federal dollars was spent.
- Nursing Students (4) this Spring; 2 UW Eau Claire; 1 UW-Green Bay; 1 Viterbo. April 2-8<sup>th</sup> is Public Health Week. Student nurses are assisting in preparation.
- Pertussis Update – Trempealeau County has not had a pertussis outbreak. The counties surrounding us all had cases. The State of Wisconsin was recently awarded for having the most children vaccinated.

**17. Discussion of next meeting date/time/Adjournment**

The next Board of Health Meeting will be March 20, 2012

*A motion was made by Mr. Brandt, seconded by Mr. Nelson to adjourn the November Board of Health Meeting. Motion carried.* Next meeting – March 20, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. Time: 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Michael Nelson  
Secretary