

Trempealeau County

Health Department

Date: February 19, 2013

Members Present:

Sally Miller	George Brandt
Dr. Wm Baxa	Jay Low
Pamela Nelson	
Dr. J. Selkurt	

Others Present: Sherry Rhoda Carol Bawek

1. Call to Order

The Trempealeau County Board of Health meeting was called to order by Chairperson George Brandt. Time: 6:04 p.m.

2. Certification of Open Meeting Law Requirements

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

3. Adoption of Agenda

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

4. Approval of Minutes

A motion made by Mr. Low, seconded by Dr. Baxa to approve the December minutes. Motion carried.

5. CHIPP Review

Ms. Malone reviewed the CHIPP process with the board of health members. What priorities can we address with the funding the department has? Requirements of the Department of Health were discussed. Any agency that works with the public should figure out what the community needs are. A good plan is a necessity when grant money becomes available. Referred to as shovel ready. 17% of children in Trempealeau County live in poverty. *A motion was made by Dr. Baxa 2nd by Ms. Miller to establish a work priority for the Health Department. Motion carried.* Discussion was held regarding the education of the county board to encourage employee health and rewarding employees with the decrease in Health insurance premiums. See Appendix B 2.

6. Nitrate Update

Ms. Rhoda stated a meeting was held with the property owners involved, UW Extension and Gold'n Plump, Health Department and Division of Land Management. Ms. Malone presented material addressing the ground water, fertilizer application, and irrigation. An additional meeting with the agencies and DATCP was held for making plans for further water testing for surrounding home (fee exempt) owners; high capacity wells will also be tested. Approximately 2300 letters will be sent

notifying homeowners of the high nitrate levels. Dairyland Lab is a certified lab and will also be assisting with the testing.

7. Positions Update

PHN position Hard to attract people with the salaries when they don't live here. W.I.C. Dietician position was advertised the 2nd time. Will be interviewing again. Ms. Rhoda reviewed the status of the program. The contracted dieticians stated they would contract for more hours. Ms. Rhoda stated depending on the results of the 2nd interviews there will be more discussion next month.

8. Frac Sand Dust

Dr. Crispin Pierce from UW of WI Eau Claire. The industry is discrediting him because of the short time span for the testing. Not enough studies performed to date. Lack of information, great concern and great activity. See Appendix B 3.

9. Health Department Employee Annual Tb Testing

Ms. Rhoda stated CDC has changed their guidelines addressing the TB testing for employees. Currently we do testing for TB on an annual basis. CDC is now encouraging taking test once every three years. *A motion was made by Mr. Low, 2nd by Dr. Baxa to follow the recommendations of the CDC. Motion carried.*

10. Agency Budget-Update

The Board of Health reviewed the 2012 budget as well as the 2013 budget.

11. Approval of Vouchers

A motion was made by Ms. Miller, seconded by Mr. Low to approve the vouchers in the amount of:

	<u>For 2013</u>	
Public	-	897.47
Bioterrorism	-	811.49
W.I.C.	-	5,710.90
Home Care	-	16.00
Lead	-	328.00
W.I.C BF	-	<u>3.56</u>
	\$	\$7,859.31

Motion carried. See Appendix B 4.

12. Director's Report

- Nursing Student UW Eau Claire - Shadowed the Health Dept nurses.
- Policies and Procedure Review Dr. Selkurt is our medical advisor.

13. Discussion of next meeting date/time/Adjournment

The next Board of Health Meeting will be March 19, 2013. *A motion was made by Ms. Miller seconded by Mr. Brandt to adjourn the January Board of Health Meeting. Motion carried.*

Time: 7:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ms. Pamela Nelson
Secretary