SHIAWASSEE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

November 6, 2014

Present: Patricia Cords, Mary Buginsky, Robert McLaren, Gene Paez, Jim Capitan, John Pajtas and John Horvath

Absent:

Staff: Courtney Herrick, Larry Johnson, Tonie Brovont and George Pichette

Teleconference:

Public:

I. Call to order

Gene Paez called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

II. Additions to the agenda

John Pajtas made a motion to approve the agenda, support by Robert McLaren. Motion carried.

III. Approval of minutes of past meeting

Jim Capitan made a motion to approve the October 2, 2014 minutes, support by Robert McLaren. Motion carried. Mary Buginsky made a motion to approve the September 4, 2014 revised minutes, support by Jim Capitan. Motion carried.

IV. Report of Chairman

No report.

V. Finance Committee

1. Approve Bills:

Robert McLaren made a motion to approve the bills from October 9th in the amount of $4,828.40 and authorize the Health Department to pay the same. Jim Capitan supported. Motion carried. All yeas.

Robert McLaren made a motion to approve the bills from November 6th in the amount of $37,785.84 and authorize the Health Department to pay the same. Jim Capitan supported. Motion carried. All yeas.

2. Write off Accounts Receivable:

Robert McLaren made a motion to write off September accounts receivable in the amount of $63. John Pajtas supported. Motion carried. All yeas.

VI. Director's Report

Financial Statements

The new fiscal year began October 1 and we were under budget for the last fiscal year. George discussed Medicaid full cost reimbursement and Tonie explained how accruals work in a budget.

Personal Health

We have administered 400 doses of the flu vaccine and have about 40 remaining.

Our new Public Health Nurse, Nicole Greenway, starts on Monday. She has a Master's degree in Public Health and will be working in our MIHP program.

Courtney attended the Insight Conference in California. It was valuable training for one of our largest software systems. Insight hopes to eventually develop an environmental health component. Our biller, Deb Bebow, also attended the conference.

Courtney discussed the Premier Public Health Conference and attended many interesting sessions.

Emergency Preparedness

CDC continues to send out updates related to the Ebola Virus. Health Department staff have attended numerous meetings and conference calls regarding the rapidly changing situation. In Michigan, 10 individuals are being monitored for 21 days per CDC guidelines.

Enterovirus D68 respiratory virus activity has subsided.

Environmental Health

Larry discussed a presentation on the Velsicol chemical disaster from 1973 where flame retardant was inadvertently mixed with animal feed. It caused a massive contamination of the food and milk supply in Michigan and led to the slaughter of thousands of cattle, pigs and chickens. After 40 years and a 4 billion dollar cleanup effort, contamination still exists at the former plant site in St. Louis, MI.

The annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection held on Saturday Oct. 18 was a great success in spite of adverse weather. We processed 267 cars and received 15,750 lbs. of hazardous waste. This brings our 12 year total of hazardous waste to almost 160,000 lbs. or 80 tons of hazardous waste.

There is an upcoming training for new Point of Sale inspectors. This is an intensive two day training for individuals seeking to become certified well and septic inspectors for real estate transactions in Shiawassee County.

Administration

The new accounting system will be activated on December 1. The financial reporting capabilities will be activated January 1, 2015.

Contracts

Request authorization to sign an extension of the contract between the Shiawassee County Health Department and Medical Director, Dr. Dennis Chernin for 2015 in the amount of $35,124. Mary Buginsky made a motion to forward the contract to the Board of Commissioners, support by Jim Capitan. Motion carried. All yeas.

Request authorization to sign an extension of the contract between the DEQ and the Shiawassee County Health Department for fiscal year 2014 in the amount of $37,188. Jim Capitan made a motion to forward the contract to the Board of Commissioners, support by Patricia Cords. Motion carried. All yeas.

Request authorization to sign an extension of the BCCCP contract between the Shiawassee County Health Department and Planned Parenthood for the period of 10/1/14 through 12/31/14. Jim Capitan made a motion to forward the contract to the Board of Commissioners, support by Robert McLaren. Motion carried. All yeas.

Request authorization to sign the grant agreement between the Michigan Primary Care Association and the Shiawassee County Health Department for the Durand School Wellness Program for a period of 10/1/14 through 9/30/15 in the amount of $150,000. John Pajtas made a motion to forward the contract to the Board of Commissioners, support by Robert McLaren. Motion carried. All yeas.

Equipment

Vacant Position

Travel

VII. Members Comments

Gene discussed the Premier Public Health Conference and the latest issues that MALPH has been involved with. One of the latest issues is designer synthetic drugs (Cloud 9) that people chemically alter which avoids them being listed as a controlled substance. They are very dangerous. Heroin use by women is increasing. MDCH continues to discuss regionalization of Health Departments. MALPH is watching this very carefully.

Board members recognized George for his 22 years of service as the Director of the Shiawassee County Health Department and wished him well upon his retirement.

VIII. Other Business

IX. Public Comment

X. Adjourn - Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on Thursday, December 4, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. John Pajtas made a motion to adjourn, support by Robert McLaren. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Johnson

11/10/14

Amended 12/5/14