

SHIAWASSEE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

December 4, 2014

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

Absent:

Staff: Courtney Herrick, Larry Johnson, Tonie Brovont and Jodi DeFrenn

Teleconference: Mary Buginsky

Public: Mary Nordbeck

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Paez at 3:58 p.m.

II. Additions to the agenda

Motion made by Jim Capitan to accept agenda as written, supported by John Pajtas. Motion carried.

III. Approval of minutes of past meeting

Motion made by Jim Capitan, supported by John Horvath to approve the November 6, 2014 minutes as corrected. Motion carried.

IV. Report of Chairman

No report.

V. Finance Committee

1. Approve Bills:

Motion made by Robert McLaren to approve bills from November 13th in the amount of \$11,289.92 and authorize the Health Department to pay the same, supported by John Pajtas. Motion carried. All yeas.

Motion made by Robert McLaren to approve bills from December 5th in the amount of \$27,207.37 and authorize the Health Department to pay the same, supported by John Horvath. Motion carried. All yeas.

2. Write off Accounts Receivable:

No write-offs to report.

VI. Director's Report

Gene attended the interview process of the Ad-hoc committee and commended Larry and Courtney for their outstanding job.

Financial Statements

We are two months into the fiscal year, November is not closed yet, October Financial Statement distributed, discussion occurred.

Discussion occurred on the implementation of the Abila system.

Personal Health

CDC reported that this year's flu vaccine is less effective due to the virus strain, approximately half of the viruses studied showed a different strain than what's covered in this year's vaccine. Courtney reemphasized the need to still get vaccinated and that the vaccine the health department administers does protect against four different strains. The Health Department will continue to promote flu vaccine. During the 2012-2013 flu season 12,337 people were hospitalized with flu related illness, 149 children died, 90% of those children were unvaccinated.

Planned Parenthood in Shiawassee County will be closing on December 19th, this will cause gaps in services provided to Shiawassee County residents. To aide in filling these gaps meetings have been scheduled with Memorial Healthcare and Health Delivery Inc. to see what partnerships can be formed to continue to offer these services to residents.

Emergency Preparedness

Flu Season: CDC is stressing the use of antivirals as a secondary defense.

Ebola: Currently Michigan is actively monitoring 11 low risk travelers, bringing the total number monitored to 42 from 15 counties. Discussion occurred on active and direct monitoring.

Enterovirus: Michigan activity is decreasing, there have been 92 out of 142 lab-confirmed cases. Of those cases four had neurological illness and two deaths have been reported.

Volunteer Management: Shiawassee County continues to be at the forefront in working with local, regional and state partners to move efforts forward with Volunteer Management and Volunteer Reception Center planning. Previous disasters in Michigan have shown a great need for improved volunteer management during disasters.

Larry recognized Jodi as being selected for Emergency Preparedness Coordinator of the year.

Environmental Health

Katie Plashek received her recertification for standardized inspections and Brad Zulewski is working on completing his standardized training

January is Radon Action Month, Radon kits will be provided at the next meeting.

Senate has voted the mobile home park inspection bill out of committee and the bill will now move to the full senate. Mobile home park lobbyist could create issues with key elements within the bill.

Larry showed a short video on the Shiawassee River Cleanup. Video was put together by Friends of the Shiawassee River.

Administration

Larry recognized Commissioner McLaren for his service to this board.

Contracts

Request authorization to sign the grant agreement between Shiawassee County Health Department and Memorial Healthcare for Breast and/or Cervical Cancer Control Services for the period of October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015. Motion made by Robert McLaren to forward the contract to the Board of Commissioners, supported by Jim Capitan. Motion carried. All yeas.

Request authorization to sign the Independent Contract Agreement between Shiawassee Regional Education Service District and the Shiawassee County Health Department for Hearing and Vision Screening for the period of October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015 in the amount of \$10,000. Motion made by John Pajtas to forward contract to the Board of Commissioners, supported by Jim Capitan. Motion carried. All yeas.

Request authorization to sign the Agreement between the Shiawassee County Health Department and the Shiawassee Regional Education Service District for Enrollment and Outcome Activities Related to the Health Department MIHP Program for the period of October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015 in the amount of \$5,000.00. Motion made by Jim Capitan to forward agreement to Board of Commissioners, supported by Robert McLaren. Motion carried. All yeas.

Equipment

None.

Vacant Position

Request authorization to fill vacancy of Secretary II position previously approved by Board of Commissioners. Motion made by Robert McLaren, supported by Jim Capitan. Discussion occurred, this motion may be unnecessary and clarification is needed. Motion failed. Robert McLaren withdrew motion.

Motion made by John Pajtas to table until next meeting, supported by Mary Buginsky.
Motion carried.

Travel

None.

VII. Members Comments

MALPH Report:

Gene discussed the total coliform rule, relative to TYPE II program that MALPH has been involved with. The federal government wants to change the rules which could make it costly for local health departments to enforce this program. This has been delayed until after January.

Synthetic (designer) drugs continues to be a problem as sources change the chemical composition of these synthetic drugs in ways that avoid the law. Legislators are working diligently to change wording to be able to better regulate these drugs and allow enforcement actions to be taken.

Questions have been raised regarding utilization of Michigan Disease Surveillance System (MDSS) to share information across county lines and if this allowable under HIPAA rules.

Ongoing discussions of regionalization and establishing prosperity regions, MDCH is pushing to establish 10 regional areas.

VIII. Other Business

Motion by made John Pajtas to re-nominate current officers; Gene Paez as Chair and Patricia Cords as Vice-chair. Supported by Mary Buginsky. Motion carried.

IX. Public Comment

None.

X. Adjourn - Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on Thursday, January 8, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. Motion made by Jim Capitan to adjourn, supported by Robert McLaren. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:06 p.m.

Recorded by: J.D.

Date: 12-4-14