

Story County Board of Health  
Draft Minutes

**DATE:** June 7, 2011

Paul Toot, Chairman 2013

\*John Kluge 2011

**CALL TO ORDER:** 4:39 PM

John Paschen, Vice-Chair 2011

\*Mark Speck 2012

**LOCATION:** Administration Building  
900 Sixth Street, Nevada

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**ADJOURNMENT:** 5:35pm

**\*Absent**

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**OTHER PEOPLE PRESENT:** Eileen Mullan, Director of HOMEWARD, Story County Public Health; Terri Olinger, HOMEWARD Public Health Nurse; Margaret Jaynes, Environmental Health Director; Matt Cory, Environmental Specialist II; Kelly Leichter, HOMEWARD Administrative Secretary

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

**Paschen/Twedt (MCU)**

**PUBLIC FORUM: Opened:** 4:40 pm **Closed:** 4:40 pm  
None

**ADDITIONAL ITEMS**

**1. Vote to hold a public hearing to adopt, by reference, Iowa Administrative Code 641-Chapter 68, "Control of Lead-Based Paint Hazards" - Margaret Jaynes**

- The CLPPP grant requires local agency grant recipients to adopt a local lead ordinance. IAC 641-Chapter 68 would require an inspection of the home of an elevated blood lead level (EBL) child. If the occupant of that house moves out, the house cannot be re-occupied until the lead hazard has been removed.
- Further discussion was held as to the requirement that the child has to be identified as being lead poisoned not simply just because a home has lead in it. Only a lead poisoning case will cause the need for a home inspection.
- Lead based paint must be removed or encapsulated from areas where the paint is chipping and from access or impact points. No funding is available to assist in rehabilitation.
- Margaret Jaynes will take the responsibility to publish notice of the hearing with a motion made to hold the public hearing at the next BOH meeting  
**Paschen/Twedt (MCU)**

**2. Consider signing Iowa DNR contract number 11-UNIT-50 for inspections of commercial septic tank cleaner's equipment and land disposal sites - Margaret Jaynes**

- This is the first time IDNR has offered these contracts to local BOHs. This contract includes two pumpers in Story County, inspections of land application sites within Story

County for a pumper located in Boone County, and a pumper in Marshall County that does not do any land application. Ms. Jaynes indicated that it is important for the county to take on this contract, as IDNR has limited funds and staff to properly manage this program. Inspections of sites with sewage sludge land application are important to prevent water pollution. Paul Toot emphasized that any enforcement issue would be the responsibility of the IDNR, not the county.

**Paschen/Twedt (MCU)**

#### **QUARTERLY REPORTS & DISCUSSIONS / ACTIONS:**

##### **1. HOMEWARD Regular Report – Eileen Mullan and Terri Olinger**

Refer to report by Eileen Mullan (attachment # 1)

Additional comments regarding Ms. Mullan's report:

- Ms. Mullan reported on the Local Public Health Services Accountability Outcomes for 2010. The Modernization Act is supporting Accreditation by Iowa counties with a grant goal by 2015 of 65%. This accreditation will likely make more grant dollars available to those counties.
- Mr. Toot asked if we were in line or falling short in this area. Ms. Mullan advised the guidelines have not yet been made clear, but HOMEWARD will start to develop policies within the next year as they are established.
- Story County Community Needs Assessment Update was given by Ms. Mullan. CHNA-HIP has been turned in, but final report from our SCCNA has just been completed with the raw data now including the weighted data. The areas identified remain significant for Story County. The outcomes will be presented again at Mary Greeley Medical Center on June 28<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm to community leaders and at that time a website address will be provided to access the outcomes for use in grant writing, etc.
- Access and Functional Needs Shelter Update – The committee is continuing to meet with the Red Cross and other interested leaders to ensure Story County has a plan for all Red Cross shelters and is able to meet the public's needs. When completed, the plan will be incorporated into the Story County Public Health Emergency Response Plan which is currently being updated. The Red Cross shelters are currently being assessed to see areas of improvement or other needs and requirements.

IMMUNIZATION CLINICS - Refer to report by Terri Olinger (attachment # 2)

Additional comments regarding Ms. Olinger's report:

- Criteria are very strict with new guidelines being set by the COCOSA system and work is needed on some of the noticeable shortcomings of the program.
- Dr. Paschen questioned if Story County Public Health is keeping within criteria. Ms. Olinger advised that they are within the top percentiles in these areas.
- HOMEWARD Public Health has set a price increase from \$10.00 to \$15.00 for the adult TB skin test beginning the 2012 fiscal year.

## **2. Mid-Iowa community Action Report – Janelle Durlin**

- Ms. Durlin was unable to attend; report to be scheduled for September, 2011 quarterly meeting

## **3. New Environmental Health computer program, Parcel Information & Permitting (PIP) – Matt Cory**

Additional comments regarding Mr. Cory's reporting:

- Mr. Cory gave a brief demonstration of the new program that he has developed to track environmental applications, permits and reports resulting in a more efficient and manageable electronic system. The department has begun implementation of the program and will continue to update as information is made available. All information was previously manually entered multiple times.

## **4. Story County Environmental Health Department Regular Report – Margaret Jaynes**

Refer to report by Margaret Jaynes (attachment # 3)

Additional comments regarding Ms. Jaynes' report:

- The Environmental Office has been cross-training with the Planning and Zoning Department to make both departments more efficient in covering complaint investigations.
- Ms. Jaynes recently attended a radon reduction workshop. The EPA has identified all construction in Iowa as having potentially high radon levels. EPA is promoting a radon reduction systems for new construction, as it is a more economical and efficient approach to radon remediation.
- The department met with an Ames Inspector to develop guidelines concerning the floor drain discharge from large auxiliary buildings.
- Ms. Jaynes attended the public hearing on geothermal well regulations in Des Moines. Story County would like to see more relaxed setback requirements for geothermal wells to encourage a greener way of heating buildings.
- Right of Entry: if a department inspector needs to access a property for enforcement purposes and is refused entry, the inspector is provided with the authority to seek a court order to conduct an inspection. Ms. Jaynes indicated that the Assistant County Attorney told the department that the attorney's office is very busy and probably would not support any request for legal action for environmental health issues.
- One well in the county was found to be improperly plugged and therefore was ordered to be dug up and done correctly.
- The Environmental Health Department reviewed the Master Matrix scoring for the Couser Cattle Company. After several changes to the proposal, Couser Cattle Company had obtained enough points to pass.

## **STAFF COMMENTS**

- none

**BOARD COMMENTS**

- Mr. Toot would like to see the Planning and Zoning Dept work more closely with the Environmental Health Department concerning the manure management plans and master matrix reviews. The Environmental Health Department will now be the main department responsible for manure management plans and master matrix review. Planning and Zoning are in agreement with this change.
  
- Mr. Toot also commented on Item #4 on the consent agenda. The Iowa Department of Public Health has now advised the state contract responsibilities will be moved from the Board of Supervisors and assigned to the local Board of Health. This change will take effect July 1, 2012.

**ADJOURNMENT: 5:35pm**

**Paschen / Twedt (MCU)**

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Approval of minutes

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Title and Date

**ATTACHMENTS**