



STORY COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

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February 7, 2012

Story County Administration Building
Auditor's Conference Room, 2nd Floor
900 6th Street, Nevada, Iowa 50201

CALL TO ORDER Meeting called to order by Paul Toot at 4:30 p.m.

The Story County Board of Health met on Tuesday February 7, 2012 at 4:30 in the Story County Administration Building. Board members present at the meeting were; Paul Toot-Chair, Dr. John Paschen-Vice-Chair, Dr. John Kluge, and Mark Speck. Others at the meeting included Margaret Jaynes, Cathy Bazylinski, Matt Cory, Ashley Harmon, Kristin Cook, Patsy Beese, and Terri Olinger.

CONSENT AGENDA (All items listed under the consent agenda will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a request is made prior to the time the Board votes on the motion.)

1. Approval of Agenda.
2. Minutes: December 6, 2011

The agenda for Tuesday February 7, 2012, and the minutes for December 6, 2011, approved, motion by Speck, second by Kluge. MCU

PUBLIC FORUM

This is the time for members of the public to offer comments concerning matters not scheduled to be heard before the Board of Health.

No comments were made by the public at this time.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

No additional items.

QUARTERLY REPORTS AND DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS

1. **HOMEWARD** Regular Report – Terri Olinger and Patsy Beese
Patsy Beese, financial analyst reported on the **HOMEWARD** expenses. The local public health services contract is covering skilled nursing and homemakers. Nursing and health promotions, and disease investigation are also funded by this, however if they cannot completely cover these, then Mary Greeley will have to fund them. They have noticed that in the lower poverty level customers their needs for service have been increasing, making it harder to provide funding for that. In customer satisfaction surveys this year so far they have had 100% satisfaction. They are also part of a national survey required by Medicare, in nearly every area they are meeting state and federal guidelines, and are exceeding in medication management. The challenge they face is how to continue providing an excellent level of service on a low budget.
Terri Olinger, Story County Public Health Nurse, reported child immunization clinics are full right now. **HOMEWARD** is still offering flu shots \$15, high dose \$40, and pneumonia \$65 during walk in clinic hours. There were no lead home visits this quarter, lead coalition meeting was held 11/22/11. There are two spinal TB/ Tb meningitis cases that are ongoing, one case of



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hepatitis B, one case of salmonella and one case of lime disease this quarter. Homeward, SCEMA, and MGMC held a meeting/exercise on January 10th at Ames city hall. Emergency Preparedness grant was finished on January 31, and posted on SharePoint. COOP (Community of Operations Plan) was revised; the new back-up location for is now Israel Family Hospice House.

Eileen Mullen is awaiting responses from CHNA HIP partners before the report is available for the board to review and approve. HOMEWARD will email the final CHNA - HIP report to the Board for their approval in order to meet the deadline, and then the official passage will be included in the consent agenda during the next regular meeting in April.

2. Story County Environmental Health Department Regular Report – Margaret Jaynes
Margaret Jaynes reported on the progress of the Story County Environmental Health Department. Please refer to the Powerpoint attachment. Margaret asked if the McFarland Clinic lead lab results letter to clients could contain more of an explanation of the results. Dr. Paschen indicated that it is too complicated an issue, and the client should call the doctor's office if further explanation is needed. There was an introduction at this time. Kristen Cook, P&D office administrator, was introduced as the new BOH administrator. She will be assuming Ashley Harmon's duties, as Ashley has taken another position. Numbers for permits and testing are low right now, it is the slow season. There were some complaints on the Zearing public water supply, A hot/cold water issue in an apartment in Ames with a car wash below it, and the house that burnt down has been razed. The septic pumper inspection program was discussed. Most of the septage from Story county is land applied; very little is taken to the Ames treatment plant because it is cost prohibitive. The department has completed the NIMS and EOC classes as requested by the county Emergency management. Margaret is chairing the Region 1 EM workgroup, working toward revision of EM written action plans, COOP, and Emergency Support Function capabilities.

In the lead poisoning prevention program, there was one case closed that has been ongoing since 1996. Currently, there are ten open cases. There was one visit in Story City in February for prevention (not an EBL case). There are now two open-loop geothermal systems in Story County; there was a question on whether or not this should be allowed because of the water use associated with it. There was a consensus by the board, if you own the property and you are paying for the water that should be O.K. There is a meeting with septic contractors on Friday February 10; Margaret is proposing that all contractors working in Story County be a CIOWTS (Certified Installer of Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems). There are other surrounding counties that have this as a requirement. The board asked for a little more information on this and it will be voted on during the next meeting on April 3, 2012. CIOWTS would cost ~\$100 for the test, \$200-\$300 for the course, and require 12 CEUs every two years. She proposed that this be phase in within three years. The decision to vote on this issue in April was moved by Dr. Paschen, seconded by Dr. Kluge. MCU

There were eight cases of Legionnaires' disease in Wisconsin traced back to decorative fountains; IDPH and SHL do not recommend fountain water testing in Iowa at this time. A 2006-08 statewide survey of 475 private water wells; half contained arsenic and about 8% of those were above EPA standard. High amounts of exposure may lead to cancer &, cardiovascular problems. There have been 17 arsenic tests done in Story County, of the 17 there have been 5 cases with some detection and 1 case that is above the EPA standard. Woodview Drive



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municipal sewer extension is planned for summer, 2012 and will affect 11 houses. There was a question on whether or not it should be mandatory for them to hook up to the new sewer and what that time frame would be.

3. Discuss filling Board of Health member vacancy
This issue was discussed; Dorothy Twedt had to step down from her position on the board for health reasons. The position has been posted on the Story County website, no one has shown interest. It was said that boards are asked to try to be gender balanced. The spot will remain open until a volunteer is found.

Addition to Quarterly Reports and Discussions/Actions

1. Discussion of Office Assistant possible change to position.
There is a change to the Environmental Health Office Assistant position. Ashley Harmon applied and accepted a full time position in Story County. Kristen Cook the Office Support Assistant, will be doing a trial run as being an office assistant for both Environmental Health and Planning and Development.
2. Meeting time change: It was asked that the meetings be changed from 4:30 pm to 2:00 pm. The consensus from the group was to accept the time change.

PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS:

STAFF COMMENTS

BOARD COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting to adjourn at 5:50 pm, the motion was made by Dr. Kluge, and seconded by Dr. Paschen.
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Title and Date