

**WILSON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
MINUTES**

Tuesday October 9, 2018

The Wilson County Board of Health held a regular meeting on Tuesday, October 9, 2018 in the Board Room at the Wilson County Health Department. Members present were:

Maria Glennon, D.V.M.
Bill Blackman
Catherine Melin
Linda Cooper-Suggs

Scott Dixon, D.D.S.
Shannon Drohan, M.D.
Ronald Stahl, M.D.

Others present:

Teresa Ellen, Valerie Bulluck, Angela Manning, Cinnamon Narron, DeEtt Taylor and Lynn Barnes.

Welcome

Dr. Maria Glennon, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:00pm and welcomed all in attendance.

Approval of Minutes of August 2018 Meeting

The minutes from the August 2018 meeting were accepted without corrections, additions or deletions.

Review and approval of the minutes shall be construed as review/discussion/approval/of all items distributed prior to the meeting for consideration and shall be so reflected in the minutes.

Administration

Ms. Cinnamon Narron reported on the July-August FY 18-19 summary report. She reported overall, everything looks really good. Home Health's revenue is actually more than what was budgeted. Ms. Narron explained that we are using Axxess for the Home Health billing and they have been very helpful in bringing in additional money for old and outstanding billing. We will still continue to have some operating cost in Home Health due to the lease cars which are all scheduled to go back in March 2019. Ms. Narron reported we have made these cars available to other agencies in the county to use and they reimburse us for the mileage which generates some revenue instead of the cars sitting until the lease is up. So far there have been a couple of request each week since "renting" the cars out to the other agencies. Environmental Health received 2 of the newer cars which have the longer lease and they will continue to pay until the lease ends.

Personal Health

Valerie Bulluck, RN, Nursing Director reported the health department staff started receiving their flu shots last week and this week has been opened up to the general public. Ms. Bulluck said this particular strain covers two types A and two types B. The CDC reported they expect the vaccine to be 60% effective and the high dose is 28% more effective than the regular vaccine.

Environmental Health

Ms. Angela Manning, Environmental Health Supervisor presented a slide presentation on Environmental Health's Response to Mosquitos. She began by talking about the life cycle of mosquitos and species of mosquitos found in North Carolina. Ms. Manning reported there are 3 common illnesses seen in NC that are La Crosse Encephalitis, West Nile Virus and Eastern Equine Encephalitis. She stated the disease is transmitted when the mosquito takes a blood meal from an infected bird, squirrel or other animal and then bites a human.

Ms. Manning went over the recent timeline of events starting with September 26th when the Governor announced a total of 4 million dollars would be given to the 27 disaster declared counties. On September 27th, NC DPH released the agreement addendum that Wilson County would receive \$141,298. October 1st is when Environmental Health started performing mosquito landing counts. Ms. Manning also provided the landing count totals with the Saratoga area having the highest.

On October 2nd WCHD put out for bid contracts for mosquito abatement. Four companies from Wilson were sent the RFP and two national companies. On October 3rd an outline was made of the best options for mosquito abatement for Wilson County. Wilson received two bids: Clarke and Vector Disease Control Incorporated (VCDI). On Monday, October 8, 2018, WCHD executed a contract for mosquito abatement with VCDI had traps set that night and the spraying began on October 13th. Also, on Saturday, October 13th 500 bags containing insect spray and dunks with education material will be given out from 9-1 via drive through at the Health Department and is free to any Wilson County resident.

Health Director's Report

Ms. Teresa Ellen, Health Director reported the Board of Health Operating Procedures need to be approved. Nothing has been changed from last year. Dr. Scott Dixon made the motion to approve and Dr. Shannon Drohan seconded. There was no opposition. Also the Board of Health Handbook was discussed and an update was given on the policies that have been updated since last year. Ms. Ellen reported all polices are reviewed on a yearly basis. Dr. Shannon Drohan made the motion to approve the BOH Handbook and Dr. Scott Dixon seconded. There was no opposition.

Ms. Ellen reported she would like to give accolades to our nurses for spending many hours in the shelters for 11 days and to Lisa Earle, RN, Preparedness Coordinator who worked closely with Emergency Management and spent a lot of time over at EOC. Dr. Glennon said she would like the record show that the Board appreciates all of the nurses and their extra efforts.

Ms. Ellen reported when Home Health moved out, Social Work moved into the offices on the back hall which has allowed Environmental Health to spread out. Some billing staff has been moved and Valerie Bulluck has moved her office.

An update was given on the Community Health Needs Assessment. The surveys have been completed. A summit was held on September 24th and the surveys and health statistics were presented. Obesity, substance abuse and mental health were the 3 focus areas selected by the group. Ms. Ellen reported the Healthcare Foundation, Health Department and Wilson Medical Center will each completed an action plan. Wilson 20/20 Health and Wellness Committee is in the process of putting together a new strategic plan which will address the 3 areas.

Ms. Ellen reported that a grant has been received by Susan G Komen to conduct a workshop for women with metastatic breast cancer. No date been set as yet but it will be held soon and hoping to bring some people from Duke to talk about the latest research. Ms. Ellen reported there is another grant that we have until December 5th to apply for and this will provide monies for transportation issues or other funding needs around treatment for practices like Dr. Lerro's and radiology.

The WASH at Beddingfield is in place with the equipment and staff. A deck will be built soon so it will probably be the beginning of the year before all is done.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Member Comments

Dr. Stahl requested a formal recognition as a Board be done to recognize the nurses for their work during Hurricane Florence. A discussion was held and Dr. Dixon said he thought it would be easier to write a letter to the editor recognizing each one. A list of names will be compiled to add to the letter.

Chairperson's Report

Dr. Glennon reported the next BOH meeting is scheduled for December 11th but due to Ms. Ellen being out of town due to a rescheduled meeting, the Board was asked if they would be available for December 4th. The Board discussed the date change and most reported they would be able to make the meeting on December 4th.

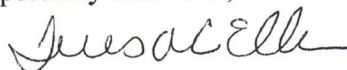
Also a nominating committee was formed to elect a Chair and Vice-Chair. Dr. Glennon appointed Dr. Drohan as the Chair of the nominating committee.

Public Comments

None

Adjournment- Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Teresa C. Ellen, Secretary
Wilson County Board of Health

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