# Hardin County Board of Health Meeting Minutes

June 21, 2018

#### I. Call to order

Jeff Hoffman called to order the regular meeting of the Hardin County Board of Health at 6:02pm on June 21, 2018 at Hansen Family Hospital.

## II. Establish Quorum

Board Members in attendance were Renee McClellan, Mary Pisney, Dr. Curtis O'Loughlin, Diane Meier, Tim Broer, and Jeff Hoffman. Guests in attendance were Julie Towne, Rocky Reents, Jessica Sheridan, Sue Wulf, Dr. David VanGorp, Gary McVipper, and Heather Bombei.

#### III. Approval of agenda

Diane Meier moved to approve the agenda as prepared, Dr. O'Loughlin seconded. Motion Carried.

# IV. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Minutes from March 16<sup>th</sup> meeting have been tabled until next meeting.

#### V. Agenda Items

a) Discussion with Franklin County Board of Health Chair-Sue Wulf

Sue explained that within the next 90 days they will begin phasing out their patients that live in Hardin County to Greenbelt Home Care to be serviced. Their attorney has drafted a letter to doctors and clinics stating that they will no longer be accepting Hardin County Residents and to refer these patients to Greenbelt Home Care. If patient has payor of Medicare or VA they will service if Greenbelt is unable to but not if the patient has Medicaid or is private pay. Franklin County Board of Health feels it is their responsibility to spend their tax payer dollars on their own residents. From January-March 17 clients were served from Hardin County which equaled about \$10,000 from Franklin County funds. Sue explained if Greenbelt is unable to service these patients they would be willing to enter a contract with the Hardin County Supervisors to get reimbursement on these patients. Julie and Sue will be working on a transition plan to ensure a smooth transition and Julie assured all that Greenbelt has the man power to take on these additional clients. Discussion was had on why patients began getting referred to Franklin County

in the first place and providers present explained their concerns with Greenbelt Home Care and their lack of communication with providers as well as Greenbelt Home Care not servicing the patient if they are not safe at home. A forum will be created to open communication lines between home health agencies and providers so that all can learn different regulations and why different agencies have to do things differently.

#### b) Nomination for vacant Board of Health position with possible action

Hardin County Board of Supervisors to appoint member for available position at their next meeting on 06/27/2018. Joyce Kix is willing to serve on the board again. Discussion was had on possible alternating locations for Board of Health meetings to accommodate all members.

#### c) Discussion of change in 28E agreement with GBHC

Hardin County will be 75% owner and the City of Eldora will be 25% owner. City will have 1 rep, County will have 3 one of which must also be on the Board of Health, and 1 rep will be suggested by Greenbelt Home Care and must be agreed upon by both owners. The new 28E agreement must be submitted to Medicare by July 1, 2018. Dr. O'Loughlin moved to accept the new 28E agreement as presented, Tim Broer seconded. Motion Carried.

### d) Discussion of meeting with Grundy County Public Health

Julie met with GCPH staff and came to an agreement that we would assist them with their immunization grant this coming fiscal year. Julie and BJ Hoffman will be attending Grundy County Board of Health meeting on July 9<sup>th</sup> to finalize things and go over future plans.

#### e) Sanitarian Update

Jessica Sheridan provided sanitarian update. Approximately \$16,000 remains in the Grants to Counties grant. Jessica was unable to send out mass mailing about water testing as she took on some additional duties at the County but would be sending them out next fiscal year. She expects grant funds to decrease a little for lack of utilizing current funds. Funds do not roll over. Jessica requested permission to waive a permit fee due to mis information provided. Renee` moved to waive permit fee, Diane seconded. Motion carried.

#### Wells and Water Testing

• About 5 water tests per week

- High bacteria levels north of Iowa Falls-sent out letter
- \$4,825.43 reimbursement for Grants to Counties 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter
- \$16,248.58 remaining for fiscal year-Quarter 4 claim not yet submitted

# **Private Onsite Wastewater Disposal Systems**

- 12 systems have been installed
- Request to waive 1 permit fee
- CIOWTS class/exam held at Ellsworth Equine Center
- Still in process of writing ordinance

#### **Public Nuisances**

- Garden City property mostly cleaned up
- Require signed complaint form? (Franklin County example)

# Congrats to Jessica and her husband on the announcement of their pregnancy! Baby Sheridan due December 7<sup>th</sup>.

f) Public Health Update

Updates provided during agenda items.

# VI. Public Input

No public input.

# VII. Adjournment.

Renee McClellan motioned to adjourn the meeting, Dr. O'Loughlin seconded. Motion Carried.

Jeff Hoffman adjourned the meeting at 7:41pm.

Minutes submitted by: Rocky Reents