

BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
Friday, March 2, 2012
7:30 a.m.
Winnebago County Health Department
Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Shiloh Ramos.

ROLL CALL: Board members present were: Chairman Shiloh Ramos; Vice Chairman Joanne Sievert; Dr. Joseph Bachman; Tom Egan; Tom Ellis; Ken Neubauer.

EXCUSED: Jill Collier, Peggy Larson

Also present were Doug Gieryn, Health Department Director; Cindy Draws and Mary Jo Turner, Public Health Nurse Coordinators; Jeff Phillips, Sanitarian; Barb Sheldon, WIC Director, John Bodnar, Corporate Counsel for Winnebago County; Jamie Orr, BSN Completion Student Intern; Jeff Hall, Oshkosh City Counsel and County Board Supervisor.

INTRODUCTIONS WERE MADE AROUND THE TABLE.

APPROVE MINUTES: Motion to approve minutes from February 3, 2012, Seivert/Ellis. Motion carried 6-0, voice vote.

ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC: None

BUSINESS

A. Approval of Ordinance Changes Necessary for Consolidation - Vote

Doug provided a Draft of Ordinance changes developed for the Health Department Consolidation. John Bodnar was present to explain. More changes will be forthcoming in the near future.

1. Regarding County Board configuration:
 - State Statutes set the limit to 9 people
 - 3 of which may not be elected officials or employees of Winnebago County
 - 1 of which has to be either a Doctor or RN not elected or an employee.
 - 4 will be from the City of Oshkosh, 2 from the City of Neenah, and 3 to be from the service area of WCHD prior to consolidation. This distribution is based on population.
 - The new Board of Health will begin on July 1, 2012 with the first term to end April 30, 2014. Subsequent terms will be for 2 years.
2. Regarding Licensing:
 - Non-Profit Temporary Food Sales – such as Brat Fries will not require a permit (as was done in Oshkosh), but will be charged a small fee of \$15 to \$20 per year if they choose to hold less than 4 events per year. State Statue requires a permit from non-profits if there are 4 or more events per year. A regular temporary permit may cost approximately \$130.
 - Sanitarians are looking to educate non-profit groups and will do outreach.
 - The re-selling of packaged goods does not require a permit, nor do samples.
 - Licensing does not apply to private parties.
 - These ordinances will go into effect on July 1, 2012, and correspond with the Licensing fiscal year.

- Pet Stores/Kennels – will be licensed as done by Oshkosh City ordinances for approximately \$70.
 - Rabies Vaccines – all cats and dogs will be required to be licensed and vaccinated for rabies. Barn cats or feral cats do not need to be, however, if the animal is harbored, fed, taken care of by a household, it should be vaccinated. If an unvaccinated animal is involved in a bite, it will be euthanized. If it is vaccinated, it may be quarantined at home. The Sheriff’s Dept or Humane Society will do animal pick-up.
 - Coin-operated Moving Picture Houses – this ordinance was moved from the General Code to the Health Code. These establishments will be required to post STD posters/brochures and “hotline” numbers for medical information. The one existing establishment in Oshkosh will be grandfathered in.
3. The above changes have been developed by the attorneys from Oshkosh, Neenah and Winnebago. We expect to have more changes in the near future to ordinances, especially regarding lead, lead abatement and fee schedules. Lines 1 through 64 have been agreed to by Oshkosh and Neenah Councils. The remaining changes will be going to Oshkosh, Neenah City Councils and County Board for approval this month. We ask the Board of Health to approve these changes today. After consolidation occurs, it will be the County’s responsibility to change ordinances.

Moved and Seconded, Egan/Sievert to approve the proposed ordinance changes, including changing the date on line 63 from 2012 to 2014, and a change on lines 280 & 281 to read: “revaccinated 12 months after the initial vaccination within 30 days of the anniversary”. Motion carried 6-0, voice vote.

B. Director’s and Staff Activity Report

Mary Jo Turner

- Safe Sleep Education
 - Oshkosh Senior Center to make 2 doll size cribs to use for Safe Sleep education.
- UWO Students to help with Rethink’s “Parents Who Host” program in the schools.
- Cindy and Mary Jo have nominated a WCHD RN for the Annual Nightingale Award. TBA at the Nightingale Banquet.

Cindy Draws

- Communicable disease –
 - Flu incidence is up, vaccine is still available. It takes 2 weeks for immunity.
 - Pertussis is slowing down.
 - May have a case of Norovirus in an area Nursing Home.
 - Strong Bones Classes are underway with more planned.
 - Stepping-On class will begin at the Oshkosh Senior Center with Affinity.
 - Jamie Orr, Student Intern is helping on the STD Task Force, focusing on 15 to 24 year olds to reduce the incidence of STDs.

Jeff Phillips

- Some new establishments have developed including a winery in Rushford and portable BBQ units.
- On the State level, there is a proposal to eliminate licenses for cottage rentals if rented for longer than 1 week. In effect, cottages that are rented for months would go unlicensed.
- At the Federal level, we may see budget cuts regarding Radon and Lead prevention. This may affect our programs.

Doug Gieryn

- Stop Grant – \$50,000 aimed at reducing underage drinking, targets UWO Campus. This 4-5 year grant will help supplant our Drug Free Communities grant.
- Community Transformation Grant – we are waiting to hear if we have been awarded this \$100-150, 000 per year grant to help Rethink with its focus on nutrition, obesity, and /or smoking cessation (all CDC priorities).
- Accreditation Grant – expecting a \$20,000 grant to develop Quality Improvement at WCHD and become an accredited health department. One of our part-time nurses will devote time to allow for strategic planning. The timing is good for consolidation.
- Doug will meet with Mark Ziemer to discuss incorporation of Oshkosh staff, address differences and ownership as well as space needs.
- WWWP (Wisconsin Well Woman Program) staff started yesterday. Data transfer will take place next week.

C. Women Infants and Children (WIC) Program Overview – Barb Sheldon

Barb Sheldon, WIC Director, gave an overview of the WIC Program Hand outs were available.

- WIC Brochure including income guidelines. Eligibility is set at 180% of Poverty by the Federal Government. This program is not involved with Food Share.
- Food vouchers for healthy food choices, works with retail grocers.
- Offers car seat vouchers
- Promotion of breastfeeding, uses peer counseling, offers breast pumps.
- Farmer's Market vouchers offered in summer.
- 2 dietetic student interns from UWGB work with WIC each year as well as occasional AHEC interns.
- Barb provided an information sheet.
- Our grant is approximately \$500,000 per year.

D. Update on Public Health Consolidation – Doug Gieryn

- Oshkosh City Council has voted to consolidate 5-2
- Winnebago County has voted to consolidate, only 1 voted no.
- Neenah Council voted to consolidate 5-0, but they would like to see the final documents. Shiloh suggested checking with Mayor Scherck regarding the wording of the approval.
- A stipulation was found in the State Statutes that requires a 60 day waiting period after the consolidation date. Neenah's budget will be affected.
- A new Environmental Specialist has been hired. Jane Daum has 20 years experience and will begin April 2, 2012.
- Future considerations will involve school nursing and whether Menasha will eventually consolidate.

Everyone thanked Dr. Shiloh Ramos for his excellent presentation to the County Board.

The Board of Health has received an invitation to a Legislative Breakfast hosted by Rethink. This is an opportunity to find out more about Rethink's initiatives.

Next Meeting: April 13, 2012, 7:30 a.m. 112 Otter Ave, First Floor Conference Room.

Board members were asked for input on topics or requests for information. See Doug or Shiloh.

Motion to adjourn: Egan/Ellis, motion carried 6-0, voice vote. 9:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Baeten, Recording Secretary