
Rush County Health Board Meeting

Tuesday, February 19, 2019, 7PM

Attendees

Russell Daugherty- Health Officer
Tai Morrell- Chairperson
Kendra Steible- Vice Chairperson
Carol Yager
Julia Apple- Office Manager/EHS
Marge Amos, RN- Nurse Supervisor

Emily Ellis, RPh
Dr. Jonathan LeSar
Vickie Lindsay, NP
Geoff Wesling- Attorney
Sharon Brown- VRP
Sherry McKinney- Bookkeeper

Guests:

Joel Geise

Desmond Stevens- refused to sign
Jerry Stevens- refused to sign

Tai called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

Tai asked Mr. Stevens if he has anything he wanted to bring before the board this evening. He said he was here to get an update on the Geise Septic situation. Julia stated that she had drawings, the next thing for her to do is to get with Casey and visit the site. Julia stated she was waiting to see if they could tie into a tile which is under litigation between the county drainage and the Stevens family. If Mr. Geise is unable to tie into the tile, they can daylight the groundwater onto Geise's property. Going into a tile is what the homeowner and Installer prefer. After a discussion between the board and the Stevens', it was explained to everyone in order to be in compliance with the agreement between the board and the Geise's the Geise's septic system will be replaced.

Dr. Daugherty stated a policy should be written requiring any visitors attending the health board meetings should sign the sign in sheet if they wanted to speak. . Julia said she would have it put on our website, and Sherry will put it at the top of the sign it sheet.

Review of Minutes

Tai asked the members if any corrections were needed in the January minutes. No changes were needed. Carol moved to accept the January minutes; Kendra seconded. All members voted to accept. Motion carried.

The board then looked at the Nursing and Preparedness reports. Kendra moved to accept the departmental reports. Carol seconded. All members voted to accept. Motion carried.

Old Business

Tai shared a copy of the newspaper article regarding Rush County Health Department Home Health care.

Tai told the board that they are done fulfilling the board vacancies. The last spot to be filled by Emily Ellis. Carol made a motion to have Emily join the board. Kendra seconded. All members voted to accept. Motion carried.

Dr Daugherty has agreed to be the Health Officer for a year a year. Emily moved to have Dr. Daugherty's salary to be \$20,000.00. Dr. LaSar seconded. All members voted to accept. Motion carried.

Carol moved to have \$2970.00 transferred from the Health Officer's account to the Environmentalist account to pay Julia \$39000.00 per year. Kendra seconded. All members voted to accept. Motion carried.

New Business

Tai and Julia talked about creating a position for a social worker and what their responsibilities would be as well as what goals they needed to set for the future of the board and Health Department. They need to think about goals for one year, five years and even ten years. This is something that has to be reported for PHAB.

Tai is also wanting to get the Health Department's website updated so the Health Department could be the main communicator between all the different organizations.

Tai spoke about the Spring and Fall Leadership Symposium that is offered from the State. It is an informative meeting where you can meet other Health Officers, Nurse's, and Doctors and get ideas on how other departments are ran. This year's Spring Symposium is March 13th in Carmel followed by a fall symposium in October.

Tai also spoke about House Bill 1063, which refers to having all schools equipped with bleeding control kits. Marge told her that Dist 6 is distributing trauma kits to be placed in schools and factories.

Officer Manager/EHS Report

Julia told the board that there have been no new permits issued at this time, but that will change as the weather changes. She stated that she has received her IOWPA and Presby certifications. Her next certification will be for swimming pools.

Julia stated an air quality test was done in the courthouse and it passed all the tests. They said it was dusty, but as for mold or anything else it tested fine. Julia announced there will be an installer workshop on March 7, 2019. There is also going to be a representative ATL.

If the installers stay for the presentation, they will automatically be certified to install the ATL system.

Julia will be attending the March LCC meeting. We have applied for a grant to have a Vape away day. She will have more information in the future.

Dr. LaSar asked if there was a calendar on our web page so we could post what was happening and when. He also suggested putting links to other organizations on the web page would be good. Julia also talked about doing the employee evaluations and goals.

Financial Report

Sherry said finances were good at this time.

Dr. LaSar moved to adjourn the meeting. Vickie seconded. All members voted to accept. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned 8:20 PM

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March 19, 2019, 7PM