Rush County Health Board Meeting
Tuesday July 21, 2020, 7:00 PM

Attendees

Carol Yager-Board Chairperson
Beth West, NP
Dr. Russell Daugherty- Health Officer-via zoom
Kendra Steible-Vice Chairperson-via zoom
Julia Apple-Administrator/EHS-via zoom
Sherry McKinney-Clerical

Vicky Lindsay, RN
Chuck Kemker-Preparedness
Dr. Jonathan LeSar, DPM- via zoom
Emily Ellis, PharmD-via zoom
Dixie Meyer, RN-via zoom
Sharon Brown-Vital Records

Last Meeting Follow-up

Emily moved to accept the June Minutes. Kendra seconded. All members voted to accept. Motion carried.

Carol asked Dixie about the two Hep-C cases. She said that IUPU had been working on them, but these two popped up so Dixiel is in the process of working on them, that they were old cases.

Carol asked Dixie about the Senior Screening and vaccinations. She told her that she wasn’t going to start the Senior Screening until the Senior Center opened and she didn’t think it was reopening until the Governor opened up to level five. She told her we did have vaccinations in July and we were setting up appointments for August and was planning on continuing to just do the vaccinations by appointment only. Emily moved to accept the Nursing and Administrators/Environmental reports. Vicky seconded. All members voted to accept. Motion carried.

Old Business

Julia said she is still not signing off on the Geise septic until he fixes the tank and she told the board that she found out he has been driving over his septic with farm equipment.

She is going to send him a letter letting him know that she knows that he is driving over his system with his farm equipment.

Julia told the board that she has forty septic applications as of July, including the nineteen that was carried over from 2019. Four have been installed, two are commercial and currently have thirty five in various stages. She informed the board that she and Dixie have
stayed in contact with Matt Vance to supply them guidance as they prepare for the opening of school, and we have turned in the 2021 budget.

We receive calls daily regarding restaurants and various businesses not complying with the Governor’s Executive order. Julia told them she calls the business and speaks with the owner and/or the manager to educate them as to what the order is. There have been a few repeat offenders.

**In Progress**

Julia told the board that we were going to partner with Rush Memorial Hospital to do COVID testing with a $100,000.00 grant, from ISDH, but they were wanting to have after hours and weekend availability. That is when they got in contact with the hospital to team up with. They need to get a contract written up with the Hospital so they would know how they were going to spend the funds. They already have things set up to do the testing. It is supposed to start on September 1, 2020 and end June of 2021.

Julia and Dixie are going to St Mary’s and a preschool to do a walk through to see there plans on opening up the school.

Last month we had mentioned raising the cost of the Birth Certificates by one dollar to cover the cost of postage, but Sherry told them that it wasn’t that bad now that the office had reopened. She thought it was happening when the office was closed down due to COVID.

She also told the board about Sharon retiring and that she is here tonight to read her letter that she wrote.

Chuck told the board that he was at a meeting about the concert series where they had decided to cancel them, but Brian Shehan had told Chuck that they had purchased billboards to advertise the concerts that they were not going to use now and offered them to the Health Department, he wasn’t sure how many billboards they were going to get. He had some samples that he showed to the board to find out which ones they liked. Chuck told them they were good with PPE, and he has ordered more masks.

**New Business**

Julia showed the board the COVID 19 Event Plan Outline that was put together for anyone having an event with the attendance to exceed 250 individuals. Everyone thought it was a good idea, but wanted our attorney to look it over to make sure.

**Preparedness**

Chuck discussed the Mid term After-Action Report that he handed out in June.
He also told the board that he still is waiting to hear about the Preparedness Grant.  
He now has copies of the deliverables, most of them are the same as the ones as last year.  
Sharon read her retirement letter to the board.

Vicky made a motion to adjourn. Beth seconded. All members voted to adjourn, meeting adjourned at 7:05 PM.

**Next Meeting**

August 18, 2020, 6:00 PM