
Rush County Health Board Meeting

Tuesday, June 16, 2020 7:00 PM

Attendees

Carol Yager-Chairperson

Elizabeth West, RN

Emily Ellis, PharmD

Kendra Steible-Vice-Chairperson-via zoom

Geoff Wesling- Attorney

Dixie Meyer, RN-via zoom

Vicky Lindsay, ANP

Rachel Clark, EMS

Dr. Jonathan LeSar, DPM-via zoom

Julia Apple-Administrator/EHS

Chuck Kemker- Preparedness/EMA

Sherry McKinney- Clerical

Carol called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM

Last Meeting Follow-up

The board approved the May Minutes. Dr. LeSar moved to approve the May Minutes. Beth seconded. All members voted to accept. Motion carried.

Carol asked if there was any questions on the Nursing Report. She asked Dixie if she had anything to add. Dixie told her there wasn't anything new to report on COVID-19, but did mention that Alicia was still taking care of the Home Health patients and hasn't had any problems with them. She said the State Department of Health is doing all the contact information. She also told them that we still haven't done any vaccinations and haven't done Senior Screening.

Carol asked if the lead case on her report was a normal or abnormal case. She told her it was only a level five, she doesn't contact the parents unless it is a level 10, at which time she would keep in contact with them and make sure they did retesting, but this one wasn't that high. Kendra moved to accept the Nursing report. Vicky seconded. All members voted to accept. Motion carried.

Carol asked Julia about her report. Julia told the board that there are 34 septic tanks in various stages. There are 20 leftover from 2019 and 17 from 2020 and three have been installed. She is sending a letter to Mr. Geise to let him know he has to put in a new tank. His current tank is too small.

She hasn't done any food inspections due to COVID-19. She has been going to places based on calls received. Most calls have been about restaurants not wearing masks. There are no fines to enforce this, but she does call management and discuss it with them. On 6/12/2020 she had a plan review meeting with FishMoon Brew, and she is planning to do the summer lunch program inspections. She has two complaints that is ongoing.

She is going to meet with the schools on Wednesday and discuss their plans on opening up the school. Emily moved to accept Julia's report. Beth seconded. All members voted to accept. Motion carried.

New Business

Julia discussed with the board about raising the cost on Birth Certificates to cover the cost of postage for the ones who call in and use their credit card. Sherry told her she has had several since the office has been closed. If they mail the form in then they send a self addressed stamped envelope for the return, but when they pay by charge card we send everything to them and put the postage on it and we usually put two stamps on it.

In Progress

Dixie gave a brief COVID19 update in her Nursing Report.

Julia gave the board copies of the 2021 budget to look over.

The Astra Zenica Grant was tabled at this time and Julia told them the Annual report is almost done. We are waiting to see if Dr. Daugherty has anything he wants to add to it.

Old Business

Stevens/Geise update- Julia went over this earlier. Mr. Geise is refusing to replace his tank at his property. His current tank is too small and he has known this since last fall. Julia is going to send him a letter stating it needs to be done or he will have to pay fines.

Administrators Report

Julia told the board that the Courthouse is sponsoring a Health Fair and the Health Department is going to have a booth outside our door. We are going to pass out hand sanitizer, booklets, ink pens, Radon test kits for the home and Chuck had ordered some stress balls with "Rush County Health/Preparedness" printed on them. Julia, Dixie, Chuck and Dr, Daugherty are going to meet with the school superintendent to discuss the plans of

of opening the schools, and we are also going to have a vaccination clinic on July. We are doing it by appointments only. There will be no walk-ins. Julia also talked about changing the meeting time to 6:00 PM. There was some discussion and the board members present didn't have a problem with changing the time, she said she would talk to Dr. Daugherty and see what his thoughts were.

Preparedness/EMS

Chuck spoke of the AAR questionnaire that he passed out to the board members and to the task force committee. He told them he needed those for the Preparedness grant in order to meet the deliverables they let a lot of it slide because of COVID, but they didn't tell them what missionaries they wanted them to address. There are five different ones and thirty-two different core capabilities and they didn't let them know which ones to choose.

He has a meeting next week and plans on sitting down and discussing it with the District 6 liaison and IDHS planning and try and put something together.

Chuck gave them an update on what PPE equipment he had left, and what he was getting low on. He did turn in his budget for 2021, he had to resubmit it twice, but hasn't heard anything about it yet.

Rachel did give Chuck praise on how prepared he was when this all begin. He had all the supplies needed and helped out several counties that was not prepared.

Emily moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 PM. Vicky seconded. All members voted to accept. Motion carried.

Next Meeting

July 21, 2020 at 6:00 PM