Rush County Health Board Meeting

Tuesday November 19, 2019, 7PM.

Attendees
Dr. Russell Daugherty- Health Officer
Tai Morrell, FNP- Chairperson
Emily Ellis
Carol Yager
Geoff Wesling-Attorney
Julia Apple- Administrator/Environmentalist

Dr. Jonathan LeSar
Vicky Lindsay
Rachel Clark
Chuck Kemker
Sherry McKinney- Clerical

Guest
Kevin Geise

Tai called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM

Tai informed the board that she was tendering her resignation effective December 1, 2019. They talked about Kendra stepping up from Vice Chairperson and becoming the Chairperson, but she wasn’t at the meeting so that was tabled until the January meeting.

She asked Kevin Geise if he had anything he wanted to say, and he did. He asked the board if they would give him more time to get his septic tanks done. Dr. Daugherty explained to him that the board has given him ample time to get them done. After some discussion Kevin asked Dr. Daugherty if he made the attempt to pump and haul in December, could the fines be lifted. Emily suggested that we table the decision on the fines until the January meeting and if Mr. Geise brings in his receipts showing that he did pump and haul, then they would discuss the fine situation. Julia told him he would have to cap the system and then pump and haul, and if that didn't get done then the state requirement is to immediately move forward with unfit dwelling procedures, and they would have five to fifteen days to evacuate.

Geoff Wesling told the board that they needed to vote on whether to accept his appeal for more time. Rachel made the motion to deny the appeal. Carol seconded.

All but one member voted to accept. There was one opposed. Motion was carried.
Emily moved to postpone the vote on fines and cap and haul until the January meeting, pending action taken by the Geise. Dr. LeSar seconded. All members voted to accept.

Approval of Minutes and Nursing Report

The Board went over the October minutes. Emily moved to accept the October minutes. Dr. LeSar seconded. All members voted to accept. Motion carried.
They went over the Nursing & Administrator/Environmentalist. Dr. LeSar moved to accept the Nursing and Administrator report. Vicky seconded. All members voted to accept. Motion carried.

Old Business

The Geise/Steven situation is still ongoing.

New Business

Vicky’s term with the board is through December 31, 2019, and she was asked if she wanted to renew her term, and she said yes. Carol moved to accept Vicky on the board. Emily seconded. All members voted to accept. Motion carried.

Since Tai is resigning, the board needs to select a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson. Since Kendra was absent from the meeting they decided to table it until the January meeting, to see if Kendra would be interested in the Chairperson position.

Emily moved to make Kendra the interim Chairperson until the new Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson is elected. Dr. LeSar seconded. All members voted to accept. Motion carried.

Julia discussed the Community Assessment and how it is going.

Chuck spoke and told the board things that he has been doing and planning to do in the future with Preparedness. He told them in the New Year there would be a Hazard Vulnerability assessment. He also told them that he would like for all County employees to be trained in CPR and stop bleeding. He is working with the hospital on that.

In February or March he would like to have a POD training exercise. He will let the board know when all this will take place and keep them informed of all the trainings and exercises.

Dr. LeSar moved to adjourn the meeting. Vicky seconded. All members voted to accept. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM
Next Meeting

January 21, 2020 at 7:00 PM