

Winnebago County Health Department Board of Health Minutes ONLY



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Date: May 1, 2020

Time: 7:30-9:30am

Location: County Administration Building, Room 120 and ZOOM

Join Zoom Meeting

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Dial: 1-312-626-6799

Meeting ID: 925 5803 4167

Password: 335237

Minutes taken and submitted by: Julia Salomon

Attendees:				
Ann Marshall	Thomas Egan	Rachel Youngquist	Thomas Ellis	Niki Euhardy
Julia Salomon	Kim Goffard	Paula McNeil	Barb Sheldon	Qiauna Ross
Anne Boyce	Shiloh Ramos	Mike Norton	Doug Gieryn	Alana Erickson
David Zerbe	Ashley Mukasa			
Not in attendance:				
Serah Muinde				

Topic and Time	Who	High level overview; Important discussion points; decisions.	Any action needed? If yes, by whom?
1. Call to Order	Secretary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting called to order at 7:30 am by Shiloh Ramos 	
2. Roll Call	Secretary	Do we have a quorum: x Yes No BOH voting members present (SR, MN, RY, TE, TE, AM, PM, DZ))	
3. Approval of Minutes	Secretary	Minutes shared on screen <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mike Norton made a motion to approve minutes as approved; second by Thomas Egan 	
4. Public Comment	Public	Any public comment? x Yes No <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Steven Lenz: improvement of communication with City of Neenah re: isolation site <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Doug presented at City Council meeting however did not disclose the site name or location as requested by facility and at that time did not have a contract Did contact Mayor of Neenah after the County Board meeting Doug did receive request for information from Neenah re: VT Industries and is responding Steven Lenz: Reporting of cases: some discrepancy between state and WCHD? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> WCHD does not include portions of City of Menasha or City of Appleton that fall within Winnebago County while the state includes the whole county in their numbers Cases are investigated by public health jurisdiction; City of Menasha Public Health investigates cases in Menasha and City of Appleton investigates cases in Appleton 	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion about surge and preparedness. Sunny view Expo could become an important site but at this time we don't know the impact of a potential surge; it may be a possible site for mass vaccination efforts in the future. 	
5. Business	Various	<p>A. COVID-19 Response Overview Doug reviewed power point slides presented at County Board meeting (4/28/2020) with BOH members at this meeting. Please note a slight uptick in positive cases; also keep in mind that numbers reported as negative still represent a tremendous amount of work by the WCHD CD staff in terms of investigation. Pending represents individuals awaiting results that will eventually be marked as positive or negative.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mike Norton: Are you giving guidance to all county departments about COVID-19? (jail, etc.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Doug: County Department Heads meeting every week. Connecting with specific departments as well. Situation reports specific for various industries (long term care, first responders, general public, etc.) Mark Harris: Temperature checks are done at Park View and every department has implemented their own processes based on CDC guidelines. <p>B and C: review of Isolation site and contract with OASD: voted by County Board on Tuesday April 28, 2020. D: Director and Staff Activity Reports Doug:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emergency Preparedness position: applications are in; will review for future interviews Two supervisor openings are vacant: CHP and Administrative Supervisor. At this time due to COVID-19, we do not have the capacity to address these. EH position: staff relocated to MN; hiring on hold due to lack of training capacity at the moment <p>Kim (CD):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff are busy and this week with an increase of cases it has been extremely busy. Disease investigation and contact tracing take time. 	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training new staff for contact tracing and Wisconsin Electronic Disease Surveillance System (WEDSS) has to be done effectively. Once we have a pool of candidates (like the OASD school nurses) we can train a whole group). • Temporary nurses already hired are not just doing COVID-19 but they are also working on other communicable disease surveillance and investigation. Other diseases don't stop. • Everyone has been superb in terms of helping each other out during this COVID -19 response. Whatever needs to be done staff has stepped up to help. Very proud to be working with such wonderful co-workers. <p>Anne Boyce (EH):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EAA has been cancelled • Licenses 3 restaurants (Cooligan's, Sabre, Pizza at 44), 2 tourist rooming houses and 1 grooming salon • Licensing will be starting and we will be following state recommendations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ License fees will be due December 31 rather than June 30 ○ No late fee will be charged • Additional EH assistance will probably be needed with COVID-19 and post COVID-19 response • Complaints - COVID, mass gatherings, businesses, etc. • Dog Groomers were deemed non-essential <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Many complaints were received about this particular dog grooming salon who was not complying with the Safer at Home order; WCHD called them and spoke with them several times; OPD went to talk with owner several times; owner still would not comply so she was arrested. Her grooming salon license was suspended after the arrest given her blatant disregard of the order and it was creating an unfair competitive edge over other grooming salons who were abiding with the order. Shortly after that, a revised state order specifying dog groomers were allowed to operate starting April 29th was announced. Her license was reinstated the day the new order came into effect. Charges were brought to the DA. They might be dropped. • Julia: Strategic Planning quick update given to BOH members • Niki: working on COVID-19 response - helping with research, policy updates, media updates, communications support 	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Barb (WIC): WIC is still in operation via teleservice, phone, texting, etc. Alana: in person visits have stopped. We have arranged for services virtually. All nurses have been working on COVID-19. Ashley: working on COVID-19 communications. If you do not receive situation updates let Ashley know. Qiauna: thanks everyone who have been very supportive. In training with Penny, Ginger, Susie and Judy E. Budget 2020: in progress <p>Question from Mike Norton regarding Hazard Pay of Public Health Staff: Doug has asked the county about this. There are other areas of the county that also need that support. Nursing homes, sheriff department and others who are in more direct harm's way. Immediate need is more for those staff who are in direct contact and the hazards of their work. Our staff no doubt have worked tremendous number of hours and continue to do so.</p>	
6. Next Meeting	Director	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Next tentative meeting will be Friday, June 5, 2020 at 7:30 am in room 120 of the County Administration Building and by zoom. Details will be emailed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">
7. Board of Health Members' Report		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ann Marshall and Paula McNeil expressed praise for our staff. UW-O use of nursing staff David Zerbe has been hired as a temporary staff by WCHD, will abstain from voting on items but will continue to serve on the Board per Corp Counsel. Echoes the praise from others toward WCHD. Dr. Ramos thanks all the WCHD staff and to Doug for presenting at the County Board and his leadership through this COVID -19 response. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Doug will connect with Paula McNeil
8. Adjourn	Board Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Call for a motion to adjourn meeting by Dr. Ramos at 9:13 am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Moved to adjourn by: Mike Norton; Seconded by: Thomas Ellis Discussion? Yes xNo; Motion passed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">

Upon request and 24 hours prior notice to the Office of the County Clerk, provisions will be made for people with disabilities. Phone Number: 232-3430

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Vision: Healthy people building thriving communities.