

**May 15, 2019 Eau Claire City-County Board of Health Meeting
County Courthouse, Room G-302**

The Board of Health convened in open session at 5:16 pm
The meeting was called to order by Merey Price

Board Members Present
Quorum is reached
Merey Price
Blair Johnson
Kari Stroede
Donald Bodeau
Emily Berge
Martha Nieman
Liz Spencer

Staff Members Present:
Lieske Giese
Matt Steinbach
Audrey Boerner
Marisa Stanley
Janice Vinopal
Gina Holt (recorder)

Additional Staff Members:
Beth Draeger
Joseph Kalscheur

Public:
Greg Leonard- Land
Conservation Manager

Order of Agenda Request to pull items from Consent Agenda

- None made

Public Comment:

- None made

Consent Agenda

- Approval of minutes from April 24, 2019 meeting
- Approve Farmers Market grant
- Approve WIC Breastfeeding Peer Counselor Grant
- Approve Fit Families Grant
- Approve WIC Budget Adjustment
- Approve Stipends

Motion to approve Consent Agenda: Martha Nieman

2nd Motion: Kari Stroede

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote)

Business Item

- Monthly Financial
 - The license and permit process have become more automated and will help time expenditure during the process.
 - Allowance for Doubtful Accounts are Clinic accounts that are billed to clients

Motion to receive the Monthly Financial Review: Jennifer Eddy

2nd Motion: Emily Berge

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote)

- Approval of 2019-2020 influenza vaccination fee
 - The Health Department typically bills Medicare and Medicaid.
 - There has been no mention of concern for supply for the 2019-2020 flu season.

Motion to Approve 2019-2020 influenza vaccination fee as presented by Health Department

Staff: Donald Bodeau

2nd Motion: Martha Nieman

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote)

- c. Support for County Board approval of County Ag Ordinance- Gregg Leonard, Matt Steinbach, and Audrey Boerner
- Question and answer from Board of Health members
 - What Changes from the ordinance have been made since the last meeting? There were some definitions that were removed and references to statute that was removed. The introduction and some of the findings were also removed.
 - How much precipitation is the 25-year 24-hour storm event referring to? 5.3 inches from the National Weather Services and is updated annually. Large rainstorms usually take place in July and manure pits are less than 2/3 full at that time meaning that the pit wouldn't overflow. A 25-year storm event has a 4% chance of occurring. Board of Health has discussion on pit size as part of the ordinance and public health risk.
 - Board member suggests that the methodology could change in the future to accommodate for multiple day rains. State statutes have a provision that scientific facts need to be proven in order to exceeded state standards to go above state statute.
 - What is the penalty? Penalty is \$200 per day each day that the pit would be overflowing, and any other damages would be in addition to the \$200 per day fee.
 - How do you know if manure is overflowing? Citizen reporting and self-reporting.
 - Board member expressed appreciation for the group that came together.
 - The County Board will bring this up at their reading next week.

Motion to Support for County Board approval of County Ag Ordinance from a County Health Perspective as presented by Health Department Staff: Kari Stroede

2nd Motion: Liz Spencer

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote)

- d. Approve Resolution 19-02 WI Medicaid Expansion
- This is a statewide ask from WPHA/WAHL DAB or Counties to create resolutions to use as important policy discussion for support of Medicaid Expansion.
 - Increased Federal Medicaid funds can provide many more preventative and public health services, including mental health initiatives for children.

Motion to approval of Resolution 19-02 WI Medicaid Expansion Resolution as presented by Health Department Staff: Martha Nieman

2nd Motion: Emily Berge

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote)

Other policy and informational items from staff for the Board

- a. Director/Health Officer Report
- ALICE training was available for all County Employees focused on workplace shooting incidents.
 - Discussion on Mock car crashes and whether they are evidence based.
 - Discussion on Family Planning clinic and possible gaps with the NP leaving.
 - Discussion on challenges and gaps section of the quarterly report to Eau Claire Administration. Board members were emailed the Challenges/Gaps slide.
- b. Correspondence/Media

- No discussion
- c. Strategic Plan Update
 - As a department we continue to discuss and work on the Strategic Plan as part of our daily workflow. Strategic plan is moving forward as expected per dashboard presented.
 - Data management is one area that could potentially bring budget related items back to the board.
- d. Employee Handbook - discuss areas of interest/questions
 - The ask to the board of health is to provide input around handbook changes and budget thoughts as we start to build the budget.
 - The department is not coming forward with any handbook updates that would have a budget effect.
 - No specific recommendations provided by board of health members for handbook changes.
- e. Review and discuss 2020 budget development process
 - We receive very little state funding right now. We were looking at possible state funding to expand some services, but with Medicaid expansion potentially off the table that will not be an option.
 - Fee discussion-Board members discuss fees and how much of the cost of programs should be covered by fees.
 - No specific recommendation provided by board of health members at this point in budget process.

Board member informational items

- a. Water as a Public Health Issue
 - This is a follow up discussion after the discussion at the March board of health meeting
 - Board member input discussion and question and answer:
 - Policy and Regulations- one example would be today's decision to support the County Ag. Ordinance.
 - Zoning and inserting a public health lens with that. Having appropriate and safe zoning in subdivisions etc. and having discussions on safe water as part of that.
 - Capacity for baseline water sample testing and surveillance-
 - Board suggests that as a health department in Eau Claire County we have more impact on capacity for baseline water sample testing and surveillance. This would be an area that we could "Drive" and get some results.
 - Are there other organizations in Eau Claire County that we could partner with to tackle some of the data collection? The University and Planning and Development are great resources to collaborate with.
 - Potentially looking at more surveillance in specific geographic areas.
 - Research-
 - Ground Water Flow -Chippewa County has been working on this. Board members express that this is an area of focus. Ordinances on subdivision controls are important but it is only as good as the data we have. This requires a lot of work and research and requires funding. This connects quantity and quality of water as well. Groundwater data is limited regionally as well as nationally. Knowing how ground water flows connects with do we know that the quality of the water source.
 - Targeted projects to get data and impact results-significant Cost.
 - Assessing land use and management practices for water impact.
 - Next steps discussed by board of health-Short term and long-term thinking-what does a plan look like for tackling this? What are some rough fiscal estimates on some of these goals? What is a reasonable approach?

- Taking advantage of when opportunities for policy, zoning etc. making sure that the Health Department has a seat at the table.
 - There are some things that have been identified that could help start this process. Things like collecting geo-spatial coordinates on wells would be a good start.
 - How to look at offering free or reduced testing.
- b. BOH checklist for monthly financials-Board members are encouraged to use the checklist for June and July and then in August it will be revisited at the Board meeting.

Public Health Policy/Advocacy

- WPHA/WALHDAB Legislative grid
- State of WI budget update-The state budget is important for public health. There are opportunities for input. Each of the departments will have discussion at joint finance and the health department will be submitting input. <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/budget/index.htm>
- NALBOH annual meeting announcement – This is an annual meeting. There are some dollars in the budget to support board members attending. <https://nalboh.site-ym.com/events/EventDetails.aspx?id=1143826>
- The June Board of Health meeting will go into closed session for the director’s performance review
- Emily Berge will be sending out a Wintermission survey to board members

Requests from Board members for future agenda items to be given consideration

- a. None

Next scheduled BOH meeting is June 26, 2019 at 5:15 p.m.
Merey Price adjourned the meeting at 7:04 p.m.