

MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
Monday, February 24, 2020
Madison County Health Department, Wampsville, NY

BOARD OF HEALTH MEMBERS PRESENT

Alex Stepanski, Board of Supervisors Representative
John Endres, DVM – President
Jennifer Meyers, MD
Sam Barr, DMD
Gerry Edwards, MD
Rachel Elder, MD
Marla Velky-Reger, LCSW-R

OTHERS PRESENT

Eric Faisst, Public Health Director
Katie Mungari, Director of Community Health
Dr. R. Seelan Newton, Medical Consultant
Aaron Lazzara, Director of Environmental Health
Rosanne Lewis, Director of Children with Special Health Care Needs
Deanna Matt, Confidential Secretary to the Director of Public Health
Shawn Prievo, Director of Administrative Services

Dr. Elder called the meeting to order at 6:30pm noting that a quorum had been reached.

The Board reviewed the January 2020 minutes noting no changes. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Supervisor Stepanski, seconded by Dr. Barr, and approved by all.

Audit of Claims

The record of claims were distributed for review and discussion.

- Division expenses were back down in their normal range now that most 2019 expenses have been paid. We expect the Preschool transportation costs to go up moving forward as another bus route was added today.

Motion to approve was made by Dr. Barr, seconded by Supervisor Stepanski, and approved by all.

Strategic Items

- Healthy Workplace
 - In the process of setting up a meeting with Oneida Healthcare and Medent regarding occupational health data.
- Dental Health
 - The 3 workgroups (increase dental visits, Increase fluoride varnish applications, and Increase the fluoride in our water) are now working on their plans

- Billing for fluoridation and varnishing has now been successfully worked out with Dr. Meyer's office. Will continue to work with additional providers.
- Dental surveys have been returned. The results were as anticipated, the results show that people know about what they are supposed to do regarding dental health, but are just not doing them. Feedback has been received that some dental providers are recommending kids not to be seen until 4 years of age.
- Individual Water Systems
 - Cleaning up data from previous testing. Currently taking a break from testing to catch up, but when it starts back up in the near future, the focus will be on smaller townships.
- Community Health Assessment (CHA)/Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP)
 - The final CHA and CHIP report was handed out to Board members.

Reports

- County – Nothing to Report
- Director's Report
 - Coronavirus COVID-19 and strategic planning have been at the forefront of the department's efforts.
 - Strategic Planning – Eric reviewed health outcomes for strategic planning topics and how the department will decide what to work on. Once the list is narrowed down more, the topics will be brought to the board to help decide what health topics the department should focus on in its strategic plan.
 - The department is updating its emergency preparedness plans and protocols in wake of Covid-19.
 - School based health clinic – We have received notice that Bassett Healthcare is not going to be moving forward with staffing a school based health clinic in Oneida High school. Oneida High School would still like to move forward with this and is asking for assistance in finding a provider to partner with them to make it happen.
 - The County suicide profile was distributed to board members.
- City of Oneida – No Report
- Medical Director's Report
 - The DSRC continues to meet weekly. There have been 487 documented flu cases in Madison County with the majority being type B, but with a recent increase in type A. Flu is currently trending downward.
 - There are currently 14 COVID-19 cases in the US with another 21 cases that have been repatriated from a cruise ship.
 - The next QA meeting will be held on April 23, 2020.

- President's Report
 - Nothing to report

Old Business

- NA

New Business

- Eric Faisst provided a PowerPoint presentation to the Board of Health detailing the background and current status of Coronavirus COVID-19, its current statistics and outlined the Board of Health's role, responsibility and authority relating to isolation and quarantine.
- Discussion occurred regarding an incident involving an otter biting a patron at a facility in the county in which the individual had to undergo post exposure rabies protocol. The department is working with the County Attorneys office on how to proceed with this facility if this situation were to happen again.

Motion to adjourn made by Dr. Edwards, seconded by Dr. Elder, All in Favor – 8:00pm

Next Meeting Monday, March 23, 2020 @ 6:30 pm
Madison County Department of Health – Large Conference Room

Respectfully submitted by Deanna Matt