

03.14.2018 BOH meeting minutes

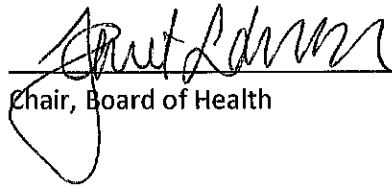
6:00 PM Courthouse

<b>Board Members Present:</b> Jan Ivers, George Jamison, Sara Huddleston, Mark Peck, John Thornton
<b>Absent:</b> Nancy Haugen, Maggie Anderson
<b>LCHD Staff:</b> Jennifer McCully, Riley Black, Bryan Alkire, Brad Black, Jinnifer Mariman (by phone)
<b>Public:</b> John Blodgett (The Western News)

Agenda:	Discussion:	Action Item:
1. Call to order	Called to order at 6:00 PM by Jan Ivers	
2. Approval of Minutes	<b>02/14/2017 minutes approval:</b> Mark Peck made a motion to approve the February Board of Health Minutes. George Jamison seconded. Motion passed unanimously.	
3. New Business	<b>New Member Introduction:</b> John Thornton, RN is the new representative for the City of Libby. He introduced himself.	
4. Program Reports:		
Annual Report	Jennifer McCully introduced and presented the first Health Department Annual Report to the Board.	
Public Health Update	<p><b>General Update:</b> McCully updated the Board on Public Health with the snapshot. PH is still promoting influenza vaccine. Lincoln County has seen 91 cases of flu this year, last year at this time had 40 confirmed cases.</p> <p><b>Mental Health Update:</b> Public Health has been approved to shift Amy Fantozzi's hours to focus primarily on mental health. She will act as the behavioral health liaison. She will be the liaison between Cabinet Peaks Medical Center and local mental health providers when a patient presents to the ER in crisis.</p> <p><b>Community Coalition Invitation:</b> The Board is invited to the first quarterly Healthy Community Coalition on Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup> 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM.</p> <p><b>Vaccination Policy Statement:</b> Riley Black presented the Health Department's draft Vaccine Policy Statement to the Board. The statement is the position of the Health Department on vaccines. She requested any comments or questions before the next meeting.</p>	Comments to Riley Black on the Vaccine Policy Statement before the next meeting.

<p>5. Focus Area Liaisons</p>	<p><b>Superfund Site, Asbestos:</b> IC Steering Committee – Presentation and adoption for Report of Recommendations: Jamison gave a brief overview of the Committee’s Report of Recommendations for institutional controls.</p> <p>Public Health Emergency Letter addition: Jamison updated the Board on the letters about the Public Health Emergency status.</p> <p>Libby Asbestos Advisory Team update: The team met March 8<sup>th</sup> and discussed the report of recommendations and the liaison position.</p> <p>Public presentation of Report of Recommendations: Offer a public presentation of the report of recommendations at the end of April then accept written public comments for a couple weeks.</p>	<p>Jamison is going to find a date that works for the steering committee for the public presentation of the report of recommendations.</p>
<p>6. Health Officer Report</p>	<p>Dr. Black explained a new law from 2016, the Toxic Substance Control Act. He is concerned about the new scoping and definitions. It does not deal with existing asbestos and only addresses newly developed asbestos containing materials. Secondly, Libby Amphibole Asbestos is not included.</p> <p>Jamison motioned to authorize Ivers, as chair, to work with Dr. Black to prepare a letter of support to the letter that the CARD Clinic wrote, dated March 13<sup>th</sup>, regarding EPA scope of risk evaluation for asbestos. Sara Huddleston seconded, motion passed unanimously.</p>	<p>Dr. Black will draft a letter from the Board of Health</p>
<p>7. Old Business</p>	<p><b>Follow up on funding requests:</b> Ivers updated the Board on the funding requests to the commissioners for the Board of Health Attorney and Trihydro support. Both were approved by the Commissioners.</p>	
<p>8. Public Comment</p>	<p>No public comment</p>	
<p>9. Adjournment</p>	<p>Next meeting April 11, 2018 at 6:00 PM</p> <p>Meeting adjourned at 7:17 PM</p>	

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Chair, Board of Health                      Date      11 April 2018

  
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