

**BOARD OF HEALTH COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
November 16, 2021**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairperson Tom Kelly, Vice Chair Steven Schreier, Billy Fried, Mike Roach, Robert Thome

COMMITTEE MEMBERS EXCUSED: Marcy Davies, Dr. Amy Slette, Ryan Zietlow

STAFF PRESENT: Linda Conlon, Marta McMillion, Todd Troskey, Mike Fugle and Joneil Tess

OTHERS PRESENT: Sandy Preach, Dorothy Skye

Call to order: Chairman Kelly called the meeting to order at 9:00am on the first floor of the Health & ADRC Building, 100 W. Keenan Street, Rhinelander, WI. The meeting was posted in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law and the facility is handicap accessible. Kelly appointed county board member, Robert Thome, on the Board of Health to create a quorum.

Minutes of October 12, 2021: Motion by Schreier/Fried to approve the October 12, 2021, Board of Health Committee minutes. All ayes; motion carried.

Approval of agenda: Motion by Schreier/Fried to approve today's agenda with the order of items at the Chair's discretion with changes identified. All ayes; motion carried.

Public Comment/Communications: None

Closed Session: Motion made by Fried/Schreier at 9:08am to enter into closed session pursuant to WI Stats Sec. §19.85(1) (g) Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved. (Topic: FO Posting a home in Nokomis as inhabitable and seeking injunction relief.) Roll call vote: All ayes

Return to Open Session: Motion made by Schreier/Roach to return to open session at 9:44am. Chairman Kelly announced a motion discussion relating a home in Nokomis as inhabitable and seeking injunction relief no action was taken.

WI WINS presentation: Otterholt provided an update on the Wisconsin WINS program.

Tourist Rooming House (TRH) Update: Fried stated a task force is being formed to help identify the challenges of what needs to be in place. Once the challenges are identified, a timeline will be created to make sure staffing and training are available.

Monthly Updates:

Communicable Diseases (10/1/21-10/31/21):

Conlon reviewed and discussion followed.

Disease	Closed	Closed and Confirmed/Probable
Anaplasmosis, A. phagocytophilum	4	2
Blastomycosis	1	1
Chlamydia Trachomatis Infection	2	2
Coronavirus, Novel 2019 (COVID-19)	3,073	519
Coronavirus, Novel 2019 (COVID-19) Reinfection Investigation	4	1
Giardiasis	5	5
Gonorrhea	1	0
Hepatitis C	3	3
Hepatitis C, Chronic	5	1
Influenza Associated Hospitalization	1	0
Lyme Disease (B.Burgdorferi)	6	5
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	2	0
Streptococcal Disease, Invasive Group B	1	0
Syphilis Reactor	1	0
Syphilis, Secondary	1	1
Yersiniosis	1	1

Flu: Conlon stated there is not a huge increase of flu activity.

Coronavirus (COVID-19) – Data / Vaccine: McMillion reviewed COVID-19 data dashboard and discussion followed.

Coronavirus (COVID-19) - Schools: Conlon stated the Rhinelander School District asked the health department to come back and do booster doses of Moderna. Conlon also mentioned the Three Lakes School District is now providing COVID-19 testing to students, staff and families of students.

COVID-19 Testing: Conlon stated the National Guard continues to test until December 11, 2021, but will not be testing the week of Thanksgiving.

COVID-19 Funding: Conlon stated the health department received and signed contracts for COVID-19 funding.

Outreach/Communication Report (10/9/21-11/12/21):

McMillion shared the outreach report and discussion followed.

Facebook	98
Press Release	1
Presentation	2
Board of Health	
Interview	3
Health Fair	1
School	3
Lobby Slides	
Mailings	
Phone Outreach	
Newsletter	
Letter to the Editor	
Total	108

Facebook Reporting (10/9/21-11/12/21):

McMillion shared Facebook report and discussion followed.

Posts	98
Total Reach	165,819
Average Reach per Post	1,692
Total Engagement (Likes, shares, comments)	7,059
Average Engagement per post	72
Boosts during timeframe	
Post with largest reach	Parent's Choice Rice Baby Cereal, sold at Wal-Mart stores, is being recalled for high inorganic arsenic levels.; reach 13,518
Post with most engagement	Parent's Choice Rice Baby Cereal, sold at Wal-Mart stores, is being recalled for high inorganic arsenic levels.; engagement 643
New Page Likes	2
Total Page Likes	3,975
New Page Followers	33
Total Page Followers	5,062

Vouchers, purchase orders and line item transfers: Conlon discussed the purchase orders, vouchers and line item transfers in detail. Motion by Fried/Schreier to accept the purchase orders, vouchers and line item transfers as presented. All ayes; motion carried.

Agenda items for next meeting: December 14th at 9am; follow-up on closed session, tourist rooming house update, use of ARPA dollars for Grace Foursquare Church, SARS in deer

Public comment/communications: None

Joneil Tess

Committee Chairman or Designee

Committee Secretary

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