



Calhoun County Board of Health Meeting Minutes

July 21, 2020

Board of Health

Mary Jo Byrne, Chairperson
Mark Crawford, Vice-Chair
Sonja Elder
Steve Frisbie

Health Department

Eric Pessell, Health Officer
Kevin Green
Brigette Reichenbaugh
Kyler Watson

County

Kelli Scott, County Administrator
Megan Banning, Deputy Controller
Lucy Blair, Communications Manager

Absent

Rebecca Fleury

Meeting called to order

Byrne called the meeting to order at 3:04pm.

Agenda

Byrne moved for agenda approval. All supported. All in favor, motion passed.

Consent Agenda

Byrne moved for approval of the consent agenda. All supported. All in favor, motion passed.

Public Comment

No public comment

Finance Update

Banning presented the June 2020 Month-End Update. The update included:

- Decrease in revenue and savings in expenditure due to COVID-19 response.
- Second budget committee meeting will be scheduled in August.

Board of Health Vacancies

Two Board of Health vacancies will be posted on the Calhoun County website and Facebook.

COVID-19 Response Update

Pessell presented a COVID-19 update. The update included:

- Calhoun County is seeing an uptick in positive cases. The Calhoun County Public Health Department (CCPHD) is currently tracking 59 positive cases and 248 contacts. Contacts have recently increased per case.

- Environmental Public Health is responding to food establishment capacity and mask complaints. Most restaurants and bars have been cooperative.
- Calhoun County has seen an improvement in mask wearing since the last executive order.
- CCPHD is working directly with the Calhoun Intermediate School District, superintendents in public schools, and private school staff on reopening plans. Calhoun County is currently in Phase 4 of the reopening plan, which means social distancing in school is recommended and masks will be required for grades 6-12. If Calhoun County falls between phase 1-3, there will be no in-person learning.

Staffing Update

Reichenbaugh presented a staffing update. The update included:

- Many CCPHD staff are returning from furlough beginning Monday, August 3rd. Services will be increased by appointment only. A staffing plan is currently being created.
- State WIC has extended in person appointments through September 30th. Staff will continue to work remotely and in office.
- Childhood hearing and vision is significantly impacted by COVID-19.
- Nurse-Family Partnership received five new referrals in the last two weeks.
- Accreditation calls are scheduled as many programs need to be completed.

Meeting adjourned at 3:46pm.

For a copy of the presentation or the Health Officer report, please contact Amanda Smith at 269-969-6477 or via email at asmith@calhouncountymi.gov