



## Calhoun County Board of Health Meeting Minutes

April 15, 2019

### **Board of Health**

Mary Jo Byrne, Chairperson  
Sonja Elder  
Steve Frisbie  
James McKernan  
Nancy Mullett

### **Health Department**

Eric Pessell, Health Officer  
Vanessa Jeffers  
Kristin McDermott  
Brigette Reichenbaugh  
Amanda Smith  
Michelle Thorne  
Kyler Watson

### **Absent**

Mark Crawford, Vice-Chair  
Rebecca Fleury

### **County Administration**

Kelli Scott, Controller  
Megan Banning, Deputy Controller

### **Meeting called to order**

Byrne called the meeting to order at 8:00am.

### **Agenda**

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

### **Consent Agenda**

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

### **Public Comment**

No public comment

### **Presentation**

McDermott, Health Educator, and Jeffers, Clinic Supervisor, presented an update on HIV Awareness. The updated included:

- April is national Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI) awareness month
- HIV/STI outreach event held last week at both the Battle Creek and Albion clinic
  - As a result of the event, 14 clients were seen for services in the Battle Creek clinic and nine in the Albion clinic
  - Social media advertising the event received approximately 500 interactions
- Calhoun County has seen an upward trend in HIV cases
- Case management and partner services are available to those affected by HIV
- Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) are offered to those who are at substantial risk of contracting HIV

- Planning to offer HIV/STI testing and several vaccinations to upcoming summer carnival event staff

### **Finance Update**

Banning presented the March Month-End Update.

- Calhoun County expected to receive \$130,000 in ELPHS funding
- WIC also expected to see an increase in funding

### **Health Officer's Report**

Pessell presented the Health Officer report. The report included:

- Michelle Thorne, Personal Health Manager, received her Nurse Practitioner license
- Pessell and management attended Day at the Capitol where they had the opportunity to talk with State Representatives
- Meeting with Battle Creek Community Foundation and W.K. Kellogg Foundation this week to discuss School Wellness Program (SWP) funding
- MDHHS may contribute \$50,000 toward SWP

**Meeting adjourned at 8:35am.**

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](mailto:asmith@calhouncountymi.gov)