



Calhoun County Board of Health Meeting Minutes

May 20, 2019

Board of Health

Mary Jo Byrne, Chairperson
Mark Crawford, Vice-Chair
Sonja Elder
James McKernan
Nancy Mullett

Health Department

Eric Pessell, Health Officer
Kevin Green
Brigette Reichenbaugh
Amanda Smith
Kyler Watson

Absent

Rebecca Fleury
Steve Frisbie

Meeting called to order

Byrne called the meeting to order at 8:01am.

Agenda

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

Consent Agenda

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

Public Comment

No public comment

Presentation

Green, Environmental Health Manager, presented an overview of the Vector-Borne Surveillance program. The overview included:

- The Vector-Borne Surveillance program officially begins May 30th and ends in September
- A grant was received from the Department of Health and Human Services to fund the program
- The surveillance includes monitoring of mosquitos carrying the Zika or West Nile virus, and black legged ticks that may carry Lyme disease
- Groups of 25 will be sent to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention for testing
- The Calhoun County Public Health Department (CCPHD) will promote awareness and education to the public

Finance Update

Watson presented the April Month-End Update.

- CCPHD expects an additional \$130,000 in ELPHS funding

Health Officer's Report

Pessell presented the Health Officer report. The report included:

- Expect communication regarding potential meeting dates for the June Board of Health budget committee meeting.
- Twenty-two individuals, all exposed to chicken pox, were recently transferred to the Calhoun County jail. Eleven of the 22 had already received the chicken pox vaccination, 12 were vaccinated by CCPHD, and one is a confirmed case of chicken pox.
- Green received his Master's in Public Health from Purdue University.

Meeting adjourned at 8:38am.

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