



CALHOUN COUNTY  
**Public Health Department**

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**Calhoun County Board of Health  
Meeting Minutes**

**June 27, 2022**

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**Board of Health**

Mary Jo Byrne, Chairperson  
Mark Crawford, Vice-Chair  
Vivian Davis  
Sonja Elder  
Jeannie Goodrich  
Derek King

**Health Department**

Eric Pessell, Health Officer  
Hailey Black  
Kevin Green  
Stephanie Hanchett  
Victor Jovanovich  
Laura Korten  
Ruth Reese  
Brigette Reichenbaugh  
Shanay Settles  
Heather Schumacher

**County**

Kelli Scott, County Administrator  
Megan Banning, Deputy Controller

**Absent**

Rebecca Fleury

**Meeting called to order**

Byrne called the meeting to order at 9:00am.

**Agenda**

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

**Consent Agenda**

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

**Public Comment**

No public comment.

**Finance Update**

Banning presented a FY22 financial update. The update included a FY22 revenue and expenditure update.

**Health Officer 360 Evaluation**

A Health Officer 360 evaluation will be sent by Human Resources within the upcoming week, including to all Board of Health members. Results will go directly to Human Resources.

## **Tuberculosis Update**

Korten, Communicable Disease Public Health Nurse, presented on Tuberculosis. The update included:

- Infection
- Current case
- Testing at shelters
  - Identified one latent case
- Funding
- Challenges
- Treatment

## **Food Safety Handling**

Settles, Environmental Public Health Sanitarian, presented on food safety. The presentation included:

- Risk-based inspections
- Infographic

## **Accreditation Update**

Pessell presented an accreditation update. The update included:

- Cycle seven, began for CCPHD in 2020, was incomplete due to the COVID-19 shutdown, however, the state closed cycle seven and has moved into cycle 8
- Cycle 8 begins in January 2023; Calhoun County is included in the third year of each three-year cycle, therefore, CCPHD will begin accreditation in approximately March 2025
- State accreditation focuses on mandated public health programs (i.e., contract compliance for the State mandated programs)
- Pessell explained the difference in PHAB (national accreditation) and state accreditation

## **COVID-19 Response Update**

Pessell presented a COVID-19 update.

- Explained the CDC formula includes hospitals outside of Calhoun County which results in fluctuating COVID-19 county levels (low, med, high) and the yo-yo affect
- Closely watch COVID-19 rates as Fall approaches due to past trends

## **CCPHD Update**

Reichenbaugh, Black, and Green presented the CCPHD update. The update included:

- Nursing shortage and working with County Administration to promote recruitment
- Project Access (Syringe Service Program) continues growing
- Approximately 145 WIC clients attended Project Fresh in Battle Creek last week; next event scheduled for Albion on July 11
- Nurse-Family Partnership increasing outreach efforts
- Family Planning infrastructure grant submitted
- Received EPA final report regarding the mercury contaminated house

## **Meeting adjourned at 10:02am.**

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)