

MINUTES OF BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
May 5, 2010

Meeting was called to order by Chair Brill at 6:03 p.m.

Board of Health Members Present: Chair Brill, Supervisor Bostwick (left at 7:00 p.m.), Supervisor Peer, Dr. Peterson, Dr. Best, Dr. Winter, and Ms. Wade.

Board of Health Members Absent: Mr. Rooney.

Staff Members Present: Karen Cain – Health Officer; Janet Zoellner – Nursing Director; Tim Banwell – Environmental Health Director; Debbie Erickson – Nursing Supervisor North Office; Sancee Siebold – Nursing Supervisor South Office; and Geri Waugh – Account Clerk.

Others Present: None at this time.

Adopt Agenda

Supervisor Bostwick made a motion to adopt the agenda. Dr. Winter seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED.

Approval of Minutes 4/7/10

Supervisor Peer made a motion to approve the minutes of the 4/7/10 Board of Health meeting. Ms. Wade seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED.

Citizen Participation

None at this time.

Unfinished Business

None at this time.

New Business

Administrative Division

Approval of Bills/Transfer of Funds

Supervisor Bostwick asked what we purchased at Menards under the Healthy Homes Grant. Ms. Waugh stated the health department purchased home safety items such as safety gates, cabinet locks, outlet plugs, etc. for clients who cannot afford to purchase those items for their children themselves.

Dr. Best made a motion to approve the bills for the month of April in the amount of \$2,934.39; bills for the Consortium Funds in the amount of \$1,231.76; bills for the PHER Emergency Response Grant in the amount of \$120.20; and bills for the Healthy Homes Grant in the amount of \$374.79. Ms. Wade seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED.

There are no transfers of funds this month.

Health Department Report

Display boards and bulletin boards: The bulletin board and display boards in the conference room had been done by the department's health educator. Ms. Cain stated Ms. Fadrowski, our health educator, has done very well thus far with promoting public health around the county, including attendance at several recent health fairs.

County-wide Committee on Rx Collections: Ms. Cain stated she has invited local organizations to attend an upcoming meeting to discuss the continuation of Rx collections. In planning for the most recent collection on 4/17/10, many citizens and organizations contacted the health department, expressing a need to have regular drug collection events. Discussion within the Health Department on how this could be accomplished made it clear that regular drug collections will take collaboration and commitment from a wide variety of organizations. Ms. Cain invited the Board members to attend the meeting, if possible. The meeting will be held:

Tuesday, May 18, 2010

8:30 a.m.

Rock County Job Center, Room K

Dr. Peterson commented that we still need to remember that protection of our ground water should continue to be one of the reasons for the collection of old, unwanted drugs and that they should not be disposed of by flushing them down the toilet.

Nicotine products: Ms. Cain stated that Supervisor Kraft had expressed her concern at the 4/7/10 Board of Health meeting on the safety of a new product called Spitless Tobacco. This product looks similar to Tic Tacs candy and releases nicotine once it is put in your mouth. If these are taken improperly by children it could prove to be fatal. They are candy flavored and contain 3 to 20 times of the amount of nicotine as in cigarettes. Ms. Cain stated these new tobacco products are being tested in Ohio and Oregon, and aren't available in Wisconsin as yet. These products are supposed to be sold only to persons age 18 and over and in childproof containers, but it has been found that adults are transferring them to non-childproof containers. In Wisconsin, a nicotine strip called Snus releases nicotine when it is placed on a person's tongue. It is not completely dissolvable like the new products.

Poverty simulation event: Ms. Cain reported that Rock County Board Chair Podzilni has invited Rock County Health Department and the Rock County Board of Health to participate in a poverty simulation event being held on Friday, May 21st from 8:15 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Rock County Job Center. Each participant is given an identity to use during the event, and they need to go from station to station during this event to try to access services. Individual stations at the event are able to make access to services as difficult as they wish in order to give the participants a true feel for what people living in poverty experience on a daily basis.

County Board meeting: Ms. Cain reported she attended the most recent Rock County Board of Supervisors meeting. She spoke about Rock County's health rankings and the 2009 Rock County Health Department Annual Report.

Department Head meetings: Ms. Cain stated the county administrator will be having quarterly department head meetings. At each meeting, one department's services will be discussed. Ms. Cain will report on the services of the Rock County Health Department at the 5/12/10 department head meeting.

Rock County Airfest Tent: Ms. Cain stated that Dr. David Murdy contacted her recently. Dean Health System will be having a tent at the Rock County Airfest, and they have asked Ms. Cain to attend the presentation they will be having on the Friday night of the airfest. Discussion will be held on health concerns, including diabetes.

Resolution – Authorizing Acceptance of State Flood Grant to Assist Well Owners Impacted by the 2008 Flood and Amending the 2010 Rock County Health Department Budget

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled on this _____ day of _____, 2010, does hereby authorize the Rock County Health Department to accept the Flood Grant from the State of Wisconsin in the amount of \$40,800 to sample and test wells impacted by the 2008 flood, and amend the 2010 Rock County Health Department Budget as follows:

<u>Account/Description</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>4/23/10</u>	<u>Increase</u> <u>(Decrease)</u>	<u>Amended</u> <u>Budget</u>
<u>Source of Funds</u>			
31-3160-0000-42200/ State Flood Grant	-0-	\$40,800	\$40,800
<u>Use of Funds</u>			
31-3160-0000-63110/ State Flood Grant Admin.Expense	-0-	\$40,800	\$40,800

Supervisor Peer made a motion to approve the resolution. Dr. Winter seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED.

Environmental Health

Flood Sampling Program

Mr. Banwell stated many well owners were impacted by the 2008 flood. Gauging stations at Lake Koshkonong, Indianford, and Afton measured the highest flood waters ever recorded for the Rock River at those locations. Approximately 700 private wells were sampled and tested for coliform bacteria, of which 29% were found to be unsafe, compared to the normal county average of 15% unsafe. Now that the health department has been awarded this Flood Grant from the State of Wisconsin, the health department can assist well owners impacted by the 2008 flood by sampling and testing these wells.

The grant will be used to sample and test drinking water wells to determine the continued safe drinking water quality of wells impacted by the 2008 flood. The health department will assist unsafe well owners with obtaining a safe drinking water supply through education and, if needed, a stipend for chlorination and minor repairs of their wells.

The funds from this grant will enable the Rock County Health Department to do the following:

- Provide well water test kits to owners of wells impacted by the 2008 flood
- Test water samples in the Rock County Health Department laboratory (400 wells)
- Provide follow-up for unsafe wells (75 wells)
- Provide onsite consultation for owners of unsafe wells (50 consultations)
- Provide a stipend to owners for chlorination and minor repairs for resolving problems of unsafe wells (50 wells)
- Submit report of completed project to the State of Wisconsin

Report on the Rx Roundup

Mr. Banwell reported the Rx Roundup event on 4/17/10 was another success. The Rx Roundup Committee has sponsored collection events since 2008. Since this is a collaborative effort among multiple units of local government – Rock County, City of Janesville and City of Beloit, we are able to offer this program that would be difficult to accomplish individually. The City of Edgerton participated for their second year this time, and the City of Milton also joined in the collection for the first time.

Much of the success of the Rx Roundup is due to the local police departments of Beloit, Edgerton, Janesville, and Milton, who oversee the separation of controlled substances and transport them to a secured site at the end of the event. Also, local pharmacists and pharmacist technicians volunteer their time to sort through the medications and identify controlled substances. Individual citizens and service organizations also volunteered their services, and the success of the event would not be possible without their help.

The Rx Roundup keeps unwanted medications from entering our community drinking water and surface water supplies. More importantly, this collection offers a solution for a safe disposal of harmful medications in the home that are left over from prior prescriptions. Abuse and misuse of leftover unwanted prescriptions in household medicine cabinets have received increased attention in our community.

On 4/17/10, a total of 829 vehicles delivered 1,038 pounds of unwanted medications. This amount is more than we collected in 2008 (970 pounds) and 65% of what was collected in all of 2009 (1,600 pounds). We are well on the way of collecting our goal of 2,000 pounds for 2010.

Rx Roundup Results – April 17, 2010

<u>City</u>	<u>Number of Vehicles</u>	<u>Pounds Controlled</u>	<u>Pounds Non-Controlled</u>	<u>Pounds Aerosols</u>	<u>Pounds Other</u>	<u>Total Pounds</u>
Beloit	162	18	219	4	1	242
Edgerton	101	13	108	2	1	124
Janesville	477	54	484	14	12	564
Milton	89	7	99	2	0	108
Totals	829	92	910	22	14	1,038

September 11, 2010 is the date of the next Rx Roundup. There also will be collections for old, unwanted prescription drugs done at the senior fairs this fall, as follows:

Beloit Senior Fair	10/5/10
Janesville Senior Fair	10/29/10

Public Health Nursing

Early Head Start/Nursing Collaboration

Ms. Zoellner stated that Head Start is a preschool program that begins at age 3 for income qualified families. Early Head Start begins with a pregnant woman whose child is then followed up to age 3.

Rock/Walworth Head Start applied for stimulus funding to be able to expand Head Start services. They were awarded \$750,000 to provide services to an additional 60 families in Rock and Walworth counties.

Rock County Health Department provides school nursing services to Head Start in Rock County. Rock County Health Department then proposed to Early Head Start to provide the health department's services at a joint home visit for Early Head Start clients. Rock/Walworth Early Head Start was receptive to this proposal. The target population includes pregnant women and children age birth to 3 years residing in Rock County and enrolled in Early Head Start.

Goals of the program:

1. Provide service that is collaborative and comprehensive to a population that both agencies seek to serve.
2. Assist with health expertise where needed to newly formed Doula Program.

Rock County Public Health Nursing Visits Provide These Services:

- Bachelor's prepared Public Health Nurse (registered nurse)
- Monthly visits
- Nursing/Health focus
- Program continuity with Environmental Health
- Coordination with clinical providers

Early Head Start Home Visitation Program Provides These Services:

- Bachelor's prepared Family Advocate/Doula (Education/Child development focus)
- Weekly home visits
- Education focus
- Program continuity to Head Start enrollment (3 years old)
- Socialization groups (twice/month)

Both Agencies Would Provide These Services:

- Developmental testing
- Community resource and referral
- Healthy parenting advice
- Assessment of family strengths
- Anticipatory guidance

Both agencies will collaborate to prevent duplication of services.

Early Head Start staff are presently enrolled in a new doula training program that will conclude at the end of June, 2010. They are presently seeing clients as they train for the doula role.

Communications and Announcements

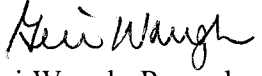
Ms. Cain stated the week of May 3-7, 2010 is Nurses' Week.

Dr. Peterson asked for a round of applause for Chair Brill in recognition of his service on the Rock County Board of Health. Chair Brill has been reassigned to the County Board Staff Committee.

Adjournment

Dr. Best made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Winter seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Geri Waugh".

Geri Waugh, Recorder

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