

DATE: May 20, 2019

3:00 p.m. - Convened/Board of Health.

Present: Dr. Brad Bowen, Chris Skidmore, Chelsea Cannard and Madysen McLain.

DIVISION UPDATES:

Minutes:

1. Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve the Board of Health minutes of January 22, 2019.

Health Officer:

2. Dr. Bowen indicated he is watching the measles outbreaks closely and attended a Department of Health meeting on the subject. Will probably be doing more outreach with local health providers and reminding the hospitals that their staff must be immunized or they could be ordered home for 3 weeks.

2A. Dr. Bowen is also in talks about the problems associated with fire season smoke.

Environmental Health:

3. Chris Skidmore reported it appears funding for counties to take on Group B water systems will not be approved by the state. This amounted to \$20,000 for Whitman County. Due to the liability, Mr. Skidmore was not in favor of taking on Group B systems; the state has trained staff already in place.

3A. Tabled to July 15th.

3B. Staff is dealing with many solid waste issues.

- on-site work is ramping up;
 - will be proposing changes to the county's septic system policy;
- food division is extremely busy;
 - one food truck was shut down, changes were made and the food truck reopened;
- working with business owners who sustained flood damages;
- will be inspecting pools this summer;
- continue to contract with Garfield County for Environmental Health

4. Personal Health:

Changes are being made in the Pullman office to accommodate WIC changes;

4A. Tabled to July 15th.

Administrative:

5. Public Health revenue to date is at 45% and expenditures are at 35%.

5A. Staffing update provided by Mr. Skidmore.

HIPAA:

6. Tabled to July 15th.

6A. the Chairman instructed Mr. Skidmore to contact Information Technology regarding archiving pages on the Public Health website.

Next Meeting/Future Meetings:

7. The next Board of Health meeting is July 15, 2019.

Future Meetings:
September 16, 2019
November 18, 2019
January 20, 2020
March 16, 2020

May 18, 2020
July 20, 2020
September 21, 2020
November 16, 2020

Adjournment:

7A. The Board adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

