

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF
THE BOARD OF HEALTH
FOR
THE COUNTY OF LEE, STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

December 10, 2014

The regular meeting of the Board of Health for the County of Lee, State of North Carolina, convened at 7:00 p.m. in the County Commissioners Meeting Room, 106 Hillcrest Drive, Sanford, North Carolina. Members present were: Mrs. Charity Dodson, Mrs. Mary Hawley-Oates, Pastor Alice Hooker, Dr. Andre Knecht (arrived at 7:05pm), Mr. John Riley, Jr, Dr. Diane Schaller, Mrs. Nilla Sloop, Mrs. Martha Underwood and Dr. Lauren Williams. Mr. Terrell Jones, Health Director, was present as Board Secretary.

Two members were absent: Dr. William Hall, Dr. Teresa Wooddell

Dr. Schaller, Chairperson presided and the following business was transacted:

Approval of the Agenda:

Mrs. Hawley-Oates moved to accept the agenda as written. Mr. Riley seconded the motion and upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Dodson, Hawley-Oates, Hooker, Riley, Schaller, Sloop, Underwood and Williams

Nay: None

The chairperson ruled the motion was adopted unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes:

There were no corrections made to the November 12, 2014 board minutes. Mr. Riley moved to approve the minutes as written. Pastor Hooker seconded the motion and upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Dodson, Hawley-Oates, Hooker, Riley, Schaller, Sloop, Underwood and Williams

Nay: None

The chairperson ruled the motion was adopted unanimously.

Public Comments: None

The board considered **Action Items – Mr. Terrell Jones, Health Director -**

- **New Monies – Family Planning TANF Funds - \$7,867** – these are funds we get every year and is passed on to the Coalition for Families to be used for education and choice making programs including our Barbers and Beautician Programs. One thousand dollars (\$1,000) of these funds stay in the health department to be used in our Family Planning Program for contraceptives and other educational needs. Discussion followed on getting a six month update from the coalition on how the funds are being spent. Dr. Williams moved to accept the TANF Funds in the amount of \$7,867 as presented. Pastor Hooker seconded the motion and upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Dodson, Hawley-Oates, Hooker, Knecht, Riley, Schaller, Sloop, Underwood and Williams

Nay: None

The chairperson ruled the motion was adopted unanimously.

The board heard **Update Information – Mr. Terrell Jones, Health Director –**

- **Oral Health Discussion** – reference was made to the many dental health issues we have here in Lee County. We only have one volunteer dentist which is not enough to assure access to care for needy kids and adults. There is a mobile dental unit sponsored by St. Joseph of the Pines that comes here and provide basic dental care. Mr. Jones would like to propose asking the Board of County Commissioners to budget \$4,000 to \$6,000 in the next fiscal year budget for vouchers for the clients needing oral health care. These vouchers will be given to the Helping Hands Clinic as this is how the clients are signed up to receive the services through the mobile dental unit. Discussion followed. Recommendation from the board was for Mr. Jones to talk to Dr. Wooddell to get her feel on this as he has already talked to Dr. Fisher. Mr. Jones stated he would put together a proposal and bring it back to board for review.
- **Ebola Update** – a handout was given to the board from CDC dated December 6, 2014. This handout shows total cases of Ebola so far - 17, 834; laboratory confirmed cases - 11,214 and total deaths – 6,346. Only three countries in West Africa now has the disease: Guinea, Sierra Leone and Liberia. Nursing staff has completed their training for “contract tracing” and their kits are ready, if there is a need for them to go out.
- **Rabies Control Discussion** – Mr. Jones and Mr. Iceman attended an Animal Rabies Control Association Conference in Wilmington this fall. During this conference Mr. Jones asked about controlling the pit bull dog population in Lee County. It was mentioned that some counties charge a tax on the number of animals owned by a resident. Mr. Iceman did a survey calling different counties and found out that other counties are charging a fee for animals owned in their county. The fee is based on if the animal is altered (spayed or neutered) - a lower fee is charged. A higher fee is charged if the animal has all of its reproductive organs. Lee County requires no registration on the number of dogs and cats one resident can have. Discussion followed. At the conference it was recommended that feral cat colonies should carry liability insurance just in case one of their cats goes out and bites someone. Mr. Jones mentioned that paying a tax here in Lee County for the number of animals you own was something for the board to consider.
- **Lee County Health Department Activity and Management Summaries** – the board reviewed the LCPH Activities Summary for November. Discussion followed on a complaint call received regarding animal control. Mr. Iceman mentioned as there is rabies in the county, a rabid skunk showed up on Plank Road. The LCPH Monthly Management Summary was reviewed and showed through November 2014 - 42% was expected. We collected 40% of our revenue and expended 34% of our budget.

Executive Session:

- **Personnel Issue – G.S. 143-318.11(6)** – Mrs. Hawley-Oates moved to go into executive session to discuss a personnel issue. Mrs. Sloop seconded the motion and upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Dodson, Hawley-Oates, Hooker, Knecht, Riley, Schaller, Sloop, Underwood and Williams

Nay: None

The chairperson ruled the motion was adopted unanimously.

Mrs. Hawley-Oates moved to come out of executive session. Mrs. Sloop seconded the motion and upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Dodson, Hawley-Oates, Hooker, Knecht, Riley, Schaller, Sloop, Underwood and Williams

Nay: None

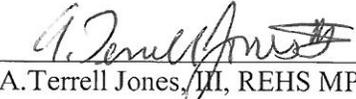
The chairperson ruled the motion was adopted unanimously.

With no further business, Dr. Schaller moved the meeting adjourned at approximately 8:45 p.m.



Dr. Diane Schaller, Chairperson

ATTEST



A. Terrell Jones, III, REHS MPH, Health Director