

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

August 17, 2016

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: Dr. William Hall, Mrs. Mary Hawley-Oates, Pastor Alice Hooker, Dr. Andre Knecht, Dr. Alex Martin (arrived 7:10pm), Mr. John Riley Jr, Dr. Diane Schaller, Mrs. Nilla Sloop, Mrs. Martha Underwood and Dr. Teresa Wooddell.

Members absent were: Mrs. Charity Dodson

Mr. Heath Cain, Health Director, was present as Board Secretary

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

Approval of the Agenda:

Add Zika Update and Well Water Concerns in Colon under Update Information. Add Closed Session – Personnel Issue – G.S. 143-318.11(6) under Action Items. Mrs. Hawley-Oates moved to accept the agenda as amended. Mr. Riley seconded the motion and upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Hall, Hawley-Oates, Hooker, Knecht, Riley, Schaller, Sloop, Underwood and Wooddell
Nay: None

The chairperson ruled the motion was adopted unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes:

Mrs. Hawley-Oates moved to approve the July 20, 2016 Board minutes as written. Mrs. Sloop seconded the motion and upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Hall, Hawley-Oates, Hooker, Knecht, Riley, Schaller, Sloop, Underwood and Wooddell
Nay: None

The chairperson ruled the motion was adopted unanimously.

Public Comments: None

The Board heard the **Introduction of a New Employee - Mr. Heath Cain, Health Director**-Ms. Yerania Macias, part-time interpreter, hired August 1, 2016. Ms. Macias is helping us on Monday and Wednesday morning in our health clinics and with our Family Planning outreach project. We are happy to have her.

The Board considered **Action Items – Mr. Heath Cain, Health Director –**

- **Adoption of the 2016 NASPHV Rabies Compendium** - the 2016 Rabies Compendium by the National Association of State Public Health Veterinarians (NASPHV) provides science to support new rabies control measures. These measures would result in fewer dogs and cats being euthanized, shorter quarantine periods, and allow for home observations for lapsed animals with appropriate documentation. These changes represent a significant emotional and financial benefit to animal owners while maintaining the safety of public health in Lee County. The provisions of the compendium shall be the required control

measures pursuant to G.S. 130A-197. The Board of County Commissioners do not have to vote to approve this compendium, but it will be shared with them at their next meeting. Mrs. Sloop moved to adopt the 2016 NASPHV Rabies Compendium as presented. Dr. Hall seconded the motion and upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Hall, Hawley-Oates, Hooker, Knecht, Riley, Schaller, Sloop, Underwood and Wooddell

Nay: None

The chairperson ruled the motion was adopted unanimously.

- **Walmart Community Grant** – Ms. Ashley Graham, Health Ed. Supv. – Walmart supports the needs of the community by providing community grants that range from \$250-\$2,500. Walmart and the Walmart Foundation have identified four core areas of giving. One of these core areas is hunger relief and healthy eating. The 2014 CHA identified obesity as the county's top health priority. Health promotion staff would like to apply for the Walmart Community Grant funds to implement Faithful Families Eating Smart and Moving More program. The funds would be used to cover the costs and supplies associated with implementing the curriculum. Application deadline is December 31, 2016. Discussion followed. Dr. Knecht moved to approve the health department applying for this grant as presented. Pastor Hooker seconded the motion and upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Hall, Hawley-Oates, Hooker, Knecht, Martin, Riley, Schaller, Sloop, Underwood and Wooddell

Nay: None

The chairperson ruled the motion was adopted unanimously.

- **Apply for Title X Funds** – Mrs. Carol Thompson, Finance Officer – in the past, the state automatically sent the health department the Title X Family Planning funds. Now all health departments must apply for these funds for FY 17-18, 18-19 and 19-20 by completing the Request for Application (RAF). If we do not apply for these funds, it will have a negative impact on the Family Planning services that we provide. For the last couple of years we have received \$34,150 from Title X and Womens Health Service Fund (WHSF). The RAF is expected to be released by September 7, 2016 and applications will be accepted until October 7, 2016 with the funding announcement made by November 18, 2016. Dr. Hall moved to approve the health department applying for Title X funding as presented. Dr. Wooddell seconded the motion and upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Hall, Hawley-Oates, Hooker, Knecht, Martin, Riley, Schaller, Sloop, Underwood and Wooddell

Nay: None

The chairperson ruled the motion was adopted unanimously.

- **Approval of the North Carolina Alliance of Public Health Agencies Contract (NCAPHA)** – Mrs. Carol Thompson – this is a contract agency we use to hire professional staff at the health department. We hired our Infant Mortality Project Reduction Manager through this agency while the contract was in negotiation. Once approved by the Board of Health, it will be forwarded to the Board of County Commissioners for their approval at their September 19, 2016 meeting. Infant Mortality Reduction State Funds - \$39,836 (no county match). Discussion followed. Mrs. Hawley-Oates moved to accept the North Carolina Alliance of Public Health Agencies Contract as presented. Dr. Wooddell seconded the motion and upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Hall, Hawley-Oates, Hooker, Knecht, Martin, Riley, Schaller, Sloop, Underwood and Wooddell

Nay: None

The chairperson ruled the motion was adopted unanimously.

The Board heard Update Information – Mr. William Cain, Health Director

- **Behavioral Health Update** – this is a collaborative effort between the Health Department (HD), Sandhills Center and Department of Social Services (DSS) to provide behavioral health services at the health department. The first step was to have a conference call with Sandhills to understand the logistics concerning the services being provided. After the initial discussion, surveys were distributed to clients in both DSS and the HD to gauge their interest. A total of 113 responses were received. Fifty-eight (58) people were interested in the behavioral health services and 52 they were not interested. The survey results were from both English and Spanish speaking community members. After our August 10th meeting with the Sandhills Center, they are moving forward to hire a part-time clinician to provide the needed services through a referral process. On the survey, one-third of the responses were from the Hispanic population; therefore, Sandhills is putting in their budget to hire a part-time interpreter as well. Clients seen will be children and adults. Discussion followed.
- **Zika Update** – updates as they are received have been shared with the Board on a weekly basis. It was mentioned that Cumberland County has purchased and provided mosquito dunks for individuals who lived in the county with one being given to each resident. We have 613 Zika/Ebola funding (\$5,000) and we are looking to use some of this funding to purchase dunks, along with educational handouts in English and Spanish. These handouts include information on Zika, Dengue Fever and Chikungunya. We are waiting on approval from the county finance department to order 200 mosquito dunks to be given one per resident. Plans are to have the dunks available for pick up at the front desk of the health department and from the Environmental Health Office. Environmental Health and Health Education have been educating the community on a “tip and toss campaign” which is an alternative method. There are some who cannot tip and toss due to the weight. Social media, health department website, local radio station, local newspaper, etc., will be used to let the public know when the mosquito dunks will be available for pickup. The Board of County Commissioners has already received this information.
- **Well Water Concerns** – Dr. Schaller asked Mr. Cain to put together a timeline of events regarding the water quality on Colon Road. Mr. Cain presented a timeline of events that have transpired since the Board of Commissioners asked the Health Department to provide baseline sampling to all affected residences with private well water and/or a water surface feature on their property within a ½ mile of the Colon Road Coal Ash Storage Facility. Each member was given a copy of this timeline and was reviewed by Dr. Schaller. Dr. Megan Davies, DHHS Chief Epidemiologist resigned effective August 10, 2016 and Dr. Schaller read a small portion from her resignation letter. She stated she was contacted by the Chairperson of the Chatham County Board of Health to see if there could be collaboration between the two Boards in regards to the water quality issues; as they have the same issues we have in Lee County. An in-depth discussion followed. There are two filtration systems that can be purchased by the owner that has shown to reduce the levels of Hexavalent Chromium and Vanadium from the well water. The problem now is still-do they drink or not drink water. Following discussion, it was mentioned to encourage the affected community to get their well water tested if they have not done so. Six thousand one hundred (\$6100) has been donated to the county for Environmental Lee to use to purchase filtration systems for those who need them. An agreement was drawn up in March 2016 to be signed by this organization in order to get the money, but to date it has not been signed. The purpose of this update was to get everyone on the same page as to what has been done so far in case they had not read Dr. Davies’ email and the claim she made in her email. The Board encouraged those who have not done so, to get their well water tested and get one of the filtration systems if need.

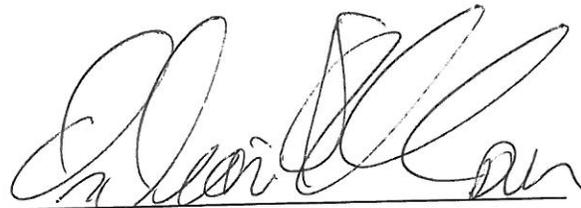
- **Monthly Report Oral Health Section from Mrs. Wendy Seymore – Dental Hygienist-** Mr. Cain referenced the July 2016 monthly accomplishments presented by Mrs. Seymore for Lee County. He also mentioned that Mrs. Seymore has been promoted to another position with the state and her last day will be later this month. Her start date is September 6, 2016. Someone from Moore County is to come and take her place.
- **Lee County Health Department Activity and Management Summaries** - the Board reviewed the LCPH Activities for July 2016 which begins a new fiscal year. The LCPH Management Summary showed July – 8.33% was expected. We collected 7% of our revenue and expended 11% of our budget. Mrs. Thompson explained the month expected rate of 8.33%. It was mentioned under Animal Control percentages for the Monthly Summary, the total percentage is 8% short from adding up to 100%. Mrs. Ridenhour, Nursing Supervisor explained the reason for the communicable disease activity number.

Closed Session - Personnel Issue – G.S. 143-318.11(6)

Mrs. Sloop made a motion to go into closed session to discuss a personnel issue. Dr. Hall seconded seconded the motion and upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Hall, Hawley-Oates, Hooker, Knecht, Martin, Riley, Schaller, Sloop, Underwood and Wooddell
Nay: None

The chairperson ruled the motion was adopted unanimously.



Dr. Diane Schaller, Chairperson

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William Cain, REHS, MPA, Health Director