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# MID-MICHIGAN DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT (MMDHD) BOARD OF HEALTH REGULAR MEETING

at

Gratiot Office, Ithaca, Michigan

Wednesday, June 28, 2023 9:00 a.m.

#### **MINUTES**

We take action to protect, maintain, and improve the health of our community.

Members Present: Adam Petersen, Chairperson; George Bailey, Vice Chairperson; Bruce DeLong,

David Pohl, and Timothy Gay

Members Absent: Phil Kohn

Staff Present: Mari E. (Liz) Braddock, Health Officer; Melissa Selby, Director of Administrative

Services; Jennifer E. Morse, MD, MPH, FAAFP, Medical Director; Lonnie Smith,

Director of Environmental Health (EH); Krishna Santana, Board Secretary

Staff Absent: None

Guests: None

Adam Petersen, Chairperson, called the Regular Meeting of the Mid-Michigan District Board of Health (BOH) to order at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 28, 2023, at the Gratiot Office of the MMDHD, Ithaca, Michigan.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by A. Petersen.

### A. AGENDA NOTES, REVIEW, AND REVISIONS:

DeLong requested to add an Agenda item to New Business, Item 1, Administrative Day for July 3, 2023.

Motion made by G. Bailey and seconded by D. Pohl to approve the Agenda as revised. Motion carried.

## B. CONSENT ITEMS:

- 1. Meeting Minutes
  - a. Michigan Association for Local Public Health (MALPH) Board of Directors Meeting held May 8, 2023
  - b. Mid-Michigan District BOH Regular Meeting held May 24, 2023

Motion made by B. DeLong and seconded by G. Bailey to accept Meeting Minutes B. 1. a. and b. and place on file. Motion carried.

- 2. Communications
  - a. WIC Resident Service Programs
  - b. Rural Health Carry-forward CDC OT21-2103
  - c. HRA Award Letter 23-24
  - L. Braddock went over the communication explaining each item and how the funds are used within the district.

Motion made by B. Delong second by D. Pohl to accept and place on file the communications.

- C. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None
- D. BRANCH OFFICE EMPLOYEES: -None
- E. COMMITTEE REPORTS:
  - 1. Finance Committee George Bailey, Chairperson
    - a. MMDHD's Expenses for May 6 through June 16, 2023

Motion made by G. Bailey and seconded by B. DeLong to approve payment of the MMDHD's Expenses for May 6 through June 16,2023 totaling \$773,509.58. Motion carried.

b. MMDHD's Monthly Balance Sheet, Revenue and Expenditure Report for May 2023

Motion made by G. Bailey and seconded by D. Pohl to accept the Balance Sheet, Revenue and Expenditure Report for May 2023 and place on file. Motion carried.

- c. Access Control System
  - M. Selby explained there is a need to purchase additional commercial doors, this will ensure the doors automatically closes. There is also a need to purchase additional latch protectors for doors that have large gaps between the door and the latch, this will ensure the door cannot be pried open. The funding for the additional \$4,000.00 will be covered by the Rural Health Grant.

Motion made by G. Bailey and seconded by B. DeLong to allocate \$4,000.00 for the access control system. Motion carried.

- 2. Personnel Committee David Pohl, Chairperson
  - Teamsters T214 Negotiations Update—The scheduled meeting forJune 28,2023 has been canceled by Teamsters and a new meeting set for July 21,2023.
  - MNA Reopener This has not been scheduled at this time, awaiting the results from the Teamsters meeting.

Motion made by B. DeLong supported by G. Bailey to accept and place onfile the Personnel Committee report.

- 3. Program Committee Phil Kohn, Chairperson No Report.
- 4. Mid-Central Coordination Committee David Pohl

Upcoming Mid-Central Committee meeting Monday, July 17,2023, 10:30 a.m. at Central Michigan District Health Department, 2012 E. Preston Ave, Mt. Pleasant. L. Braddock and D. Pohl will attend the Mid-Central Coordination Committee meeting.

- F. MEDICAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Jennifer E. Morse, MD, MPH, FAAFP
  - 1. Decline in Routine Vaccinations
    - J. Morse gave an overview of her report and explained the decrease in vaccinations as well as the importance of being vaccinated and keeping up to date on those vaccinations. She told of the differences from state to state in reasons for waivers. She recommends continuing to support vaccinations and if there are any question concerning vaccines please consult a trusted source she indicated websites available for this information. She also recommended to pause and interpret your emotional response before sharing social media concerning these health issues as false information can be easily spread.

There was a discussion about the long-term effects of measles and if there are any campaigns encouraging vaccinations, J. Morse said yes there are multiple campaigns however there are still an increasing amount of vaccination waivers being requested.

Motion made by B. DeLong and seconded by G. Bailey to adopt the BOH Monthly Healthy Living Recommendations for July as proposed and accept and place the Medical Director's Report on file. Motion carried.

- G. <u>HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT:</u> Mari E. (Liz) Braddock
  - 1. Agreement Signed

One agreement was signed for our bathing beach monitoring program.

2. Michigan's Guide to Public Health for local Governing Entities – <a href="https://accreditation.localhealth.net/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/Public Health Guide Final-Digital-Accessible-6.23.pdf">https://accreditation.localhealth.net/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/Public Health Guide Final-Digital-Accessible-6.23.pdf</a>

L. Braddock indicated this guide is available at the link provided, we have requested hard copies however they have not been received.

#### 3. Food License Update

Food Licenses were due April 30,2023 however we have three locations that have not submitted the application and payment, Howard City Lanes, Alma College Concession Stand and Tommy's Pizza. At this time fees are being accumulated for late submission, the last of which will be in September at that time enforcement will begin. MMDHD's objective is to have every food establishment in the district licensed.

## 4. Health Officer Report

L. Braddock gave an overview of her report explaining the increase in animal bites and encounters, this includes a rising number of wildlife encounters; she expressed the importance of avoiding contact with animals in the wild. She also reminded us that the law requires all animal bites be reported to local Animal Control and the Health Department. L. Braddock said yesterday, June 27, 2023, was National HIV Testing Day, MMDHD offered free walk-in rapid HIV tests at the Clinton County Office. She also went over the air quality problems encountered by Michigan at this time and indicated the website has been updated with links to help track the air quality and how it is impacting lives.

Motion made by G. Bailey and seconded by D. Pohl to accept the Health Officer's Report and place it on file. Motion carried.

#### H. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Statewide Septic Code Update -

L. Braddock explained the statewide septic code is still being discussed and it may become more of an issue in October, MMDHD wilcontinue to monitor any progress in the eventwe may need to update our district's septic code.

#### I. NEW BUSINESS:

1. July 3, 2023 – Administrative Day

DeLong proposed Monday, July 3,2023 to be an administrative day for the MMDHD employees.

Motion made by B. DeLong and second by G. Bailey to grant an administrative day Monday, July 3, 2023, to the MMDHD employees. Motion Carried.

# 2. Emerging Issues – Harmful Algae Blooms

L. Smith stated we have faced with this issue for the last few years, this year being the first we have the capability of rapid testing when a harmful algae bloom is suspected. To date this year we have already had three lakes in the district with harmful algae bloom complaints: Park Lake, Second Lake and Lake Geneva. When a lake tests positive advisories are issued, the advisory indicates humans and animals should stay out of the lake. The Environmental Health Department will continue to monitor these lakes and any other lakes

in our district that may have harmful algae bloom complaints.

J. LEGISLATIVE ACTION: None

K. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

1. Mid-Michigan District BOH Action Items, May 2023

2. Staffing Report

L. RELATED NEWS ARTICLES AND LINKS: https://www.mmdhd.org/2023-board-of-health/

1. Eye on opioids, *The Daily News*, June 6,2023

2. Income guidelines for WIC Program increased; additional Michigan families may qualify, *Gratiot County* 

Herald, June 8, 2023

3. Septic standoff, *The Daily News*, June 9, 2023

4. Rabies, animal bites and wild animal encounters, *The Daily News*, June 13,2023

**AGENCY NEWSLETTERS:** 

https://conta.cc/3PfqMF2

There being no further business to come before the Board, G. Bailey made a motion to adjourn seconded by

B. DeLong. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:48 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Krishna Santana, Board Secretary For Adam Petersen, Chairperson

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Mid-Michigan District Board of Health