



Minutes of the Board of Health
Regular Meeting
October 21, 2022
3981 E. Clinton Trail, Charlotte, MI 48813

1. Call to Order	The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Geiger at 1:00 pm
2. Pledge of Allegiance	All present joined in for the Pledge of Allegiance
3. Attendance Roll Call	<p>Board Members Present: Commissioner Catherine Getty, Commissioner Jeremy Whittum, Commissioner Blake Mulder, Commissioner Joe Brehler, Commissioner Ben Geiger and Commissioner Bruce Campbell.</p> <p>Staff Present: Colette Scrimger (Health Officer), Taresa Lucas (Finance Director), Milea Burgstahler (Public Health Operations Manager), Jay Vanstee (Environmental Health Director), Kathylee Brown (Hearing & Vision Technician), Bea Popp (Hearing & Vision Technician), Megan Newton (Nurse), and Emily Smale (Communications Specialist).</p>
4. Motion to Approve the Agenda	Motion by Commissioner Getty, supported by Commissioner Brehler to approve the agenda as written. All ayes, motion carried.
5. Limited Public Comment (3 minutes per person)	NONE
6. Regular Board Items	<p>a. <u>Motion to Approve the September 16, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes</u> Motion by Commissioner Mulder, supported by Commissioner Brehler to approve the September 16, 2022 meeting minutes as provided. All ayes, motion carried.</p> <p>b. <u>Motion to Approve Payables in the Amount of \$763,792.00</u> Motion by Commissioner Brehler, supported by Commissioner Whittum to approve the payables in the amount of \$763,792.00.</p> <p>Roll Call Vote: Getty – YES, Brehler – YES, Whittum – YES, Mulder – YES, Geiger – YES, Campbell – Absent. Motion Carried.</p>

	<p>c. <u>Motion to Approve Monthly Revenue/Expenditure Report</u> Motion by Commissioner Brehler, supported by Commissioner Whittum to approve the monthly revenue and expenditures report for July 2022 as presented. All ayes, motion carried.</p>
<p>7. Division Reports and Requests</p>	<p>Colette Scrimger explained the concept of impact stories.</p> <p>a. Environmental Health Division</p> <p>i. <u>Program Impact Story</u> Jay Vanstee highlighted the Barry County Hazardous Waste events held in the spring and the fall. About ½ of the Environmental Health (EH) staff are involved in managing the event and providing labor. During the fall 2021 event, 4,300 pounds of batteries, 5,000 pounds of antifreeze, 10,000 pounds of household cleaners, 11,000 pounds of paint, 9,800 pounds of used motor oil, and 3,200 pounds of pesticides were collected at the event. This spring, Barry County received a grant to help with electronics recycling, and as a result, about 15,000 pounds of electronics were recycled. Jay recognized Jodi Pessell (EH Supervisor) for her work coordinating the event. Discussion followed, and questions were answered.</p> <p>b. Personal and Community Health</p> <p>i. <u>Board Education – Hearing and Vision Program</u> Bea Popp and Kathylee Brown (Hearing & Vision Technicians) explained that the Hearing and Vision (H&V) Program is a state-mandated program to provide hearing and vision screenings to children from Preschool age to 9th grade in public and private schools. In FY 2022, around 18,000 children were screened in the district because of the program. Kathylee explained the follow-up process when a child fails a hearing or vision screening including some of the reasons a child might fail a screening, and what BEDHD does to ensure parents/guardians follow up when a child fails a screening. It is estimated that about 10% of children are referred for follow-up</p>



because of their hearing screening, but only referred 4% last year. Discussion followed, and questions were answered.

ii. Program Impact Story

Megan Newton (Nurse) presented a story about a recent Tuberculosis case that personal and community health staff assisted with. Megan reflected on the success they had working with the client to ensure she followed the treatment regimen. Through the process, the nurses involved with the case were able to build trust and rapport with the patient and work through barriers to completing treatment including finding the right medication combinations and alternative ways to conduct Directly Observed Therapy (DOT). As a result of the experience, the patient agreed to become a panelist for the State's World TB Day event and BEDHD identified an alternative method to conduct DOT for future patients. Discussion ensued, and questions were answered.

c. Administration Division

i. Program Impact Story

Emily Smale (Communications Specialist) shared she recently had the opportunity to represent BEDHD at a health fair at Spartan Motors. Emily explained that the Planning Promotion and Evaluation unit staff attend health fairs to share information about BEDHD programs and services, and interact with the community and community partners. Emily shared that during this event, an attendee expressed how thankful they were that BEDHD shares information and promotes resources like the Suicide Hotline. Commissioner Mulder recognized Emily's professionalism and ability to be an ambassador to the public. Discussion ensued, and questions were answered.

	<p>Colette shared that she is applying for a program, in partnership with Community Mental Health to explore how public health, mental health, and substance use fields can work together.</p> <p>Colette also shared that BEDHD has received a grant from the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) for \$40,000 to fund an opioid prevention-focused mentor/mentee initiative and a \$50,000 grant from the State for data sharing related to Community Health Assessment and Community Health Improvement Plan efforts.</p>
<p>8. Other Business (if needed)</p>	<p>NONE</p>
<p>9. Limited Public Comment (3 minutes per person)</p>	<p>NONE</p>
<p>10. Board Member Comments</p>	<p>Commissioner Getty stated she enjoyed the program impact stories. Commission Campbell apologized for his lateness. Commissioner Geiger thanked the Admin team and said he liked the program impact stories.</p>
<p>11. Adjournment</p>	<p>The chair adjourned the meeting at 2:04 pm.</p>

Ben Geiger, Chair  Colette Scrimger, Health Officer 