



Public Health
Delta & Menominee Counties



Board of Health Meeting

Delta County Boardroom
Escanaba, MI

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 13, 2024

Board Members Present

Tom Trudgeon

Connie Westrich

Larry Johnson

Steven Viau

John Malnar

Ray Schebel

Board Members Absent

Public Health Staff

Mike Snyder, Health Officer/Administrator
Dr. Robert Yin, Medical Director
Emily Franks, Clerical Supervisor

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

The regular monthly meeting of the Delta-Menominee District Board of Health (BOH) was held on February 13, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. EST by Mr. Snyder. Roll call was taken by the Clerical Supervisor and is recorded above.

2. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Johnson moved the February 13, 2024 agenda be approved. Motion was supported by Mr. Malnar and carried unanimously.

3. Public Comment

No public comment.

4. Annual Business Meeting

a. Election of Chair

Mr. Malnar nominated Mr. Trudgeon as Chairman of the Board. Mr. Trudgeon was elected as Chairman by unanimous vote.

From this point on, the meeting was chaired by Chairman Trudgeon.

b. Election on Vice-Chair

Mr. Viau nominated Mr. Johnson as Vice-Chair. Mr. Johnson was elected Vice-Chair by unanimous vote.

c. Committee Assignments

Chairman Trudgeon appointed the following committee assignments for 2024:

- i. Finance – Mr. Johnson and Mr. Malnar**
- ii. Personnel – Mr. Trudgeon and Ms. Westrich**
- iii. Building and Grounds – Mr. Viau and Mr. Schebel**

d. Approval of 2024 Board of Health Meeting Schedule

The proposed 2024 Board of Health Meeting Schedule was discussed.

Mr. Malnar moved the 2024 Board of Health Meeting Schedule be approved. Motion was supported by Mr. Schebel and carried unanimously.

5. Approval of December 12, 2023 Minutes

The December 12, 2023 Minutes were approved by general consent.

6. MERS Third Quarter Report

Mr. Snyder gave an overview of the MERS Third Quarter Report. Questions were answered by Mr. Snyder.

Mr. Viau moved the MERS Third Quarter Report acknowledged and placed on file. Motion was supported by Mr. Malnar and carried unanimously.

7. Alger County Discussion

Mr. Snyder discussed Alger County wanting to join with Public Health, Delta & Menominee Counties.

Mr. Viau moved not to support the transfer of Alger County to Public Health, Delta & Menominee Counties. Motion was supported by Mr. Malnar and carried unanimously.

8. Review and Approval of December and January Check Registers

The Board of Health reviewed the December & January check registers. Questions were answered by Mr. Snyder.

Mr. Viau moved the December and January check registers be acknowledged and placed on file. Motion was supported by Mr. Johnson and carried unanimously.

9. Medical Director's Report

Dr. Robert Yin reported:

- **COVID, Influenza and RSV:** COVID and RSV numbers are decreasing. Influenza numbers are increasing.
- **Measles:** There have been a number of outbreaks of measles throughout the country. Measles is a preventable disease and a vaccine is available. The danger of Measles includes hearing loss (partial or complete), pneumonia, encephalitis, and hardening of the organs.
- **Blastomycosis:** It has been one year since the Blastomycosis outbreak at Billerud. PHDM has not seen any new cases.

- **Death Certificates:** Dr. Yin reviewed what a death certificate looks like and how it is used in Public Health. He discussed causes of death in Michigan and Delta and Menominee Counties.

10. Health Officer's Report

Mr. Snyder reported:

- **January Radon Awareness Month:** A total of 147 radon test kits were distributed in the month of January. Menominee County gave out 55 kits and Delta County gave out 92 kits.
- **Kindergarten Oral Health Assessments:** Public Act 316 of 2023 requires that kindergarteners must have an oral health assessment within 6 months of starting school. PHDM will be partnering with Smiles on Wheels to conduct these screenings within Delta & Menominee County schools. This requirement will go into effect for the 2024-25 school year.
- **PHDM 2023 Audit** – The PHDM 2023 annual audit started on February 12, 2024. Mr. Snyder informed BOH members that they will be receiving a questionnaire in the mail from Anderson-Tackman.

11. Public Comment (Three Minutes Maximum)

No public comment.

12. Board Member Comments:

Mr. Trudgeon: Thank you to Mr. Snyder for representing Public Health, Delta & Menominee Counties on the TV broadcast "Media Meet".

13. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Malnar made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:14 p.m. EST. Motion was supported by Mr. Johnson and carried unanimously.


Chairperson 3-12-24

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