

**Unapproved meeting minutes
Clark County Board of Health
January 23, 2018 @ 1:00pm
Clark County Courthouse – Auditorium**

Meeting called to order at 1:00pm by Chair Krempasky.

Members, staff, and other's present: Krempasky, Jerome; Bakker, Doris; Neville, Bill; Rogers, Sharon; ; Zank, Dean; Meyer, Tim DO, Eichman, Cindy; Leischow, Robert; Mews, Brittany

Motion by Bakker to approve the December meeting minutes; seconded by Meyer. Voice vote, motion carried.

Motion by Meyer to approve the November vendor payments; seconded by Rogers. Voice vote, motion carried.

Motion by Eichman to approve the December vendor payments; seconded by Meyer. Voice vote, motion carried.

Mews provided a status update on recent pertussis outbreak activity in the Neillsville area. Of note, between November 8 and December 28 there were 7 confirmed cases. While staying in communication the Wisconsin Department of Health Services, the Health Department worked closely with the Neillsville School District and impacted health care organizations to include Memorial Medical Center and Marshfield Clinic. It was reported that school leadership made an informed decision to suspend extracurricular activities for a week during the initial stage of the outbreak. The Health Department prepared and released awareness raising communication via social media and its website. It was noted that the social media post was shared more times than any other post resulting in thousands of views. A media interview with a station in the Wausau was also done. Discussed as an improvement opportunity with members was the communication channel between the partners involved in responding and controlling the incident. To be considered is an after action discussion with the involved partners, when successes and opportunities would be identified. General discussion; no action.

Leischow informed members he and another staff person attended an office/courthouse safety training along with other departments. This was hosted by the Sheriff's Office. Attendance was enlightening and prompted discussion among many departments and in our case with Health Department staff about safety concerns and opportunities for improved safety strategies in our own office. Members were informed that the Health Department will likely implement improvements to better assure a safer work environment. Members were informed to raise their awareness in the event they're involved in similar discussion outside of the Health Department. General discussion; no action.

Leischow requested approval to attend the federally offered Healthcare Coalition Emergency Preparedness Leadership Training in Anniston, Alabama from May 29, 2018-June 2, 2018 should the Region 2 Health Care Coalition application be accepted. Members were informed that Leischow was approached by Wisconsin Region 2 Healthcare Coalition leadership to attend as 1 of 2 representative Health Officer's, and members were reminded that this is the same training that was granted permission to attend in 2017; however, the application was not accepted. Travel expenses would be covered by the training grant. Motion by Eichman for Leischow to attend the training in Alabama should the application be accepted; seconded by Meyer. Voice vote, motion carried.

Members were informed that the Department will commence a process to update its current strategic plan, which was originally adopted in 2013. Staff turnover and opportunity to refocus on who we are, what it is we do and how we do it is prompting this exercise. Leischow has engaged staff from the Department of Health Services Western Region Office to help lead the process. Members to be informed as the process proceeds. General discussion; no action items.

Next meeting scheduled for February 27, 2018 at 1:00pm.

1:55pm Motion by Zank to adjourn; seconded by Neville. Voice vote, motion carried.