

Monona County Board of Health

MINUTES

Regular Meeting Special Meeting

May 27, 2014

5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Monona County Courthouse, 610 Iowa Ave., Onawa, IA 51040

- I. Call to Order and Introductions** – Kathleen Bonnes, Chair called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
- II. Attendance:**
- **Board Members:** Kathleen Bonnes, Chair; Eugene Hamman, Vice Chair; Connie King; Tim Jessen; Sheri Joyner; and, Anne Livermore
 - **Public Health Staff:** Danelle Riley, Recorder; Ken Johnson, Administrator; Sandy Bubke, Environmental Health; Laura Oliver, PIO-IZ Director
 - **Guests:** Kim Fineran, HCCMS/Public Health Director; Laura Beeck, Crawford County Home and Public Health Administrator; Jane Sander, Jackson Recovery Centers; Diane K. Anderson, IDPH, Regional Community Health Consultant (RCHC)
- III. Review / Approval of January 21, 2014 Minutes:**
- Motion to approve by Eugene Hamman. Seconded by Sheri Joyner. Motion carried.
- III. Public Comments – N/A**
- IV. Old Business** – Kathleen Bonnes asked BOH members their primary area of interest as it relates to public health issues. Eugene Hamman stated he is interested in strategic planning for the future. Anne Livermore stated that she wants to see public health make sure they are taking care of the public health needs of the people in the county.
- V. Public Health Operations**
1. **Finance Presentation – Danelle Riley – 5 minutes** (no questions or comments)
 2. **HCCMS Report – Kim Fineran, HCCMS Director:** Kim presented the 1st and 2nd quarter HCCMS Family Health Services Reports, and provided statistics related to Monona County. **Please reference the reports distributed during the presentation.*
Program updates:
 - November 2013 - Crawford County Public Health was awarded the 1st Five Grant for HCCMS counties. Lori Hoch, RN will serve as the program

coordinator. Lori previously served as the HCCMS Child Care Nurse Consultant (CCNC).

- Sharon Davidson, I-Smile Program Coordinator, has resigned her position. Jennifer Mackey will fill the CCNC position beginning July 2014.
- The Cass County School-Based Sealant Grant is experiencing difficulties / challenges in implementation. While two schools have declined participation this year, a third school has been receptive to implementing the grant's services.
- Kim mentioned HCCMS Family Health Services data may be helpful to member counties for their Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) & Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP). **administrator's note – Monona County CHNA is due March 2016; this document needs to be aligned with Burgess Health Center's IRS 990 requirement for community assessment and community partnering*

3. **Jackson Recovery Center– Jane Sanders** provided a 2014 End-of-Year Gambling Addiction Services Report for Monona County. She distributed the agency's most recent pamphlet which briefly outlines available services and encouraged viewing the website, www.riverhillsrecovery.com for more information. The Jackson Recovery Center's Onawa office has moved from the church where they met with clients to a new office downtown which is located at 1011 10th Street. Connie King asked if gambling addiction services are free. Jane said services are provided on a sliding-fee, based on income. She also mentioned that free (income based) inpatient care is available in Ft. Dodge, IA

4. **Grants to Counties Policies and Septic Pumper Contract Amendment #2, Sandy Bubke, Environmental Health:**

- The Septic Pumper Contract was signed in 2011 to reimburse Environmental Health for the provision of inspections and the oversight of the waste management plan for each septic tank cleaner (licensee) located within its jurisdiction. Sandy requested the approval of an amendment which extends the term of contract from June 30, 2014 through June 30, 2016. **Motion to approve by Connie King. Eugene Hamman seconded. Motion carried.**
- Sandy presented updates to the Grants to Counties (GTC) policies adopted in 2008. The purpose of this contract is to protect ground water quality through the testing of private water wells, the plugging of abandoned private water wells (including cisterns that present a contamination risk to groundwater), and the reconstruction of private wells. The board members asked what specific changes have been made. Sandy stated that contact names and addresses were updated. **Motion to approve the GTC policy revisions as presented by Anne Livermore. Connie King seconded.**

Motion carried.

- There was a discussion regarding the need for an Animal Control Ordinance in Monona County. This discussion was prompted by recent, very severe, dog bite attack upon a 9 year old boy. There are no county ordinances which provide legal / civil penalties, or, procedures for closing “communication” gaps among county officials. Sandy Bubke will research model ordinances that may help the board with future discussion and/ or planning.

5. Strategic Planning Process & Organizational Capacity Assessment – Ken Johnson:

- Healthy Homes Program
 - Model ordinances are available for the unincorporated and incorporated sections of Monona County. The Onawa City Administrator has indicated the city council will be considering the implementation of the New Building Code. These model ordinances were recognized as “best practice” in the 2014 Onawa Housing Report.
 - Judy Ogden-Meyer, SIMPCO Housing Coordinator is working with county partners (including public health) to align her agency’s 1-year and 5-year strategic housing plans. SIMPCO is the Federal Housing Authority “umbrella” for Monona County and is interested in working more closely with towns to improve the status of their housing.
 - Many grants require a comprehensive approach to improving community health.
 - Public Health will continue to market and promote the benefits of healthy and safe housing.
- Ken provided the board with a document titled Monona County Public Health, 2014 “Bridging Year” which outlines the scope of challenges and opportunities for rural public health agencies. He spoke to the agency’s operations in 2010 and 2011; operations largely focused on direct services (home health services comprised 70-80% of agency energy and resources). Significant disconnectivity among local and regional agencies and organizations – *not positioned to meet the challenges of today:*
 - Considerations (not all inclusive) for the “Redesign of Monona County Public Health framework:”
 - The United States is 24th in life expectancy, first in spending. One of the major reasons for that is we have 75 percent of our health care dollars that go towards treatment of preventable conditions
 - Health in All Policies (HiAP) is about the integration of considerations about health impacts, specifically in non-health decision-making. Decision making in areas like

transportation or housing or economic development, in order to maximize positive health impacts, in particular for all people. So, reduce inequities.

- Some level of integration of public health with the county medical system.
- Assess capacity of community behavioral health services
- Staff Development - staff have stepped up and successfully taken on new responsibilities as needed, but will require new skill sets related to internal and external governmental requirements, health improvement projects, building community partnerships, etc.
- Increase financial sustainability and program effectiveness
- Identify strategic partners, most of whom will contribute to the core structures and capabilities mentioned above (*local community partnerships offer more community-specific benefits related to impacts on health*)

VI. New Business

1. Local Public Health Services Contract Audit: Diane Anderson, RCHC recently conducted the agency's annual compliance audit and reported to the board that everything was looking good and the official report will be available when it is completed.

2. Lead Contract/FY15 IDPH, CLPPP (also referred to as HHLPP):

The funding for this service has decreased approximately 50% over the course of the last 2 years. Should we keep doing this because we have always done it? Do we need to put more focus on referring these medically compromised children to their medical homes?

This is a contract that covers lead poisoning prevention and case management services in the HCCMS counties of Harrison, Cass, Crawford, Monona, and Shelby. Currently Monona County Board of Health holds the contract and sub-contracts the medical case management duties (including blood lead testing as needed) to the local public health nurses in each county. The MCPH Administrative Assistant (also EBL Inspector/Risk Assessor) provides the administration, data-base management, and Elevated Blood Lead inspections and address case management for all 5 counties.

Ken has approached the sub-contracting public health administrators regarding their thoughts on whether or not to continue the contract for FY15, or to ask if any of the counties had interest in assuming the contract. There was little interest among the counties regarding either option. Laura Beeck stated that the Crawford County BOH would agree to take over contract if Monona County doesn't sign, but they would have to train a new EBL Inspector/Risk Assessor since they have not been able to find one to contract with. Ken stated MCPH may be willing to contract for inspections. Laura Beeck stated that they feel they need more time to

make a transition to being the contract holder for this grant. Anne Livermore stated that at the Onawa housing meeting Ken made the statement that 50% of Monona County's housing was built before 1978 which means it has lead in it, and asked why are we would end this program at this time? Ken mentioned Monona County has had three (3) cases of children with lead blood levels (≥ 15 $\mu\text{g}/\text{dl}$) over the past five (5) years.

Other board members expressed concern at discontinuing the contract at this time. Connie King said that it sounds like we led the other four counties to believe Monona County would continue this contract in FY15. **Motion to approve signing the FY15 CLPPP Contract made by Anne Livermore. Connie King seconded. Motion carried.**

New Board of Health Members Conflict of Interest/Confidentiality

Statement: Ken explained that there is a new Confidentiality and Conflict of Interest policy being developed and will be presented for board review and approval at the next regularly scheduled meeting. Anne Livermore and Sheri Joyner signed the current Conflict of Interest and Conflict of Interest Statements.

VII. Next Meeting Date:

The next regularly scheduled meeting date is July 22, 2014 at 5:30 pm in the Monona County Courthouse. All in attendance acknowledged and approved.

VIII. A motion to adjourn made by Tim Jessen. Seconded by Eugene Hamman. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.