

**BOARD OF HEALTH COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
November 17, 2020**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairperson Tom Kelly, Vice Chair Steven Schreier, Dr. Amy Slette, Ryan Zietlow, Billy Fried

COMMITTEE MEMBERS EXCUSED: Ann Ovsak

STAFF PRESENT: Linda Conlon, Marta McMillion and Joneil Tess

OTHERS PRESENT:

Call to order: Chairman Kelly called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. on the second floor of the Health & ADRC Building, 100 W. Keenan Street, Rhinelander, WI. The meeting was posted in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law and the facility is handicap accessible.

Minutes of October 13, 2020: Motion by Schreier/Zietlow to approve the October 13, 2020, Board of Health Committee minutes. All ayes; motion carried.

Approval of agenda: Motion by Zietlow/Schreier to approve today's agenda with the order of items at the Chair's discretion with changes identified. All ayes; motion carried.

Public Comment/Communications: None

Monthly Updates:

Communicable Diseases (10/1/20-10/31/20):
Conlon reviewed and discussion followed.

Disease	Closed	Closed and Confirmed/Probable
Anaplasmosis, A. phagocytophilum	4	4
Chlamydia Trachomatis Infection	3	3
Coronavirus, Novel 2019 (COVID-19)	3,882	565
Cryptosporidiosis	1	1
Giardiasis	1	1
Hepatitis B, Chronic	1	0
Hepatitis C	1	1
Hepatitis C, Chronic	1	1
Histoplasmosis	1	0

Lyme Disease (B.Burgdorferi)	8	8
Non TB Mycobacterial Disease	2	2
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	3	0
Salmonellosis	1	1
Syphilis Reactor	3	0
Yersiniosis	1	0

Facebook (10/10/20-11/13/20):
 McMillion reviewed and discussion followed.

Posts	141
Total Reach	314,726
Average Reach per Post	2,232
Total Engagement (Likes, shares, comments)	24,353
Average Engagement per post	173
Boosts during timeframe	No
Post with largest reach	October 23, 2020, Daily Case Counts; reach 10,962
Post with most engagement	October 23, 2020, Daily Case Counts; engagement 1,154
New Page Likes	158
Total Page Likes	3,602
Total Page Followers	4,585

Flu: Conlon reviewed flu cases and hospitalizations from October 2020. Conlon mentioned the health department has a late flu clinic scheduled on Tuesday, November 17, 2020.

Coronavirus (COVID-19) - Data: Conlon presented and reviewed slide show. Conlon said the state added critically high to disease activity in Wisconsin due to the increase in cases. Conlon also stated the positives are increasing but the testing is steady.

McMillion reviewed OCHD dashboard and discussion followed.

Conlon reviewed the Business Recognition Program – Check the Spread from another jurisdiction. This program involves working with local businesses to help protect our community against COVID. Conlon mentioned she spoke with Chamber of Commerce

about an initiative like this a few months ago and will check with them again. Discussion followed.

Coronavirus (COVID-19) - Schools: Conlon stated the school districts are still the same as they have been with a slight increase. There has been a concern with a couple of the schools and their positivity rate. Some schools have talked about a strategic pause possibly the week of Thanksgiving with the potential for cases to increase following family gatherings.

Coronavirus (COVID-19) – Community Testing: Conlon stated the National Guard testing scheduled on Tuesdays and Thursdays will continue through December 10, 2020. No testing scheduled for Thursday, November 26, 2020, in observance of Thanksgiving Day.

Coronavirus (COVID-19) – Vaccine Update: Conlon said there are four COVID vaccines developed. Pfizer and Moderna are the closest out there to being delivered.

Outreach/Communication Report (10/10/20-11/13/20):
 McMillion shared the outreach report.

Facebook	141
Press Release	4
Presentation	1
Board of Health	
Interviews	5
Health Fair	
School	
Lobby Slides	
Mailings	
Phone Outreach	
Newsletter	
Total	151

Facebook Reporting (10/10/20-11/13/20):
 McMillion shared Facebook report and discussion followed.

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Vouchers, purchase orders and line item transfers: Conlon discussed the purchase orders and vouchers in detail. There were no line item transfers at this time. Motion by Fried/Schreier to accept the purchase orders and vouchers as presented. All ayes; motion carried.

Agenda items for next meeting: December 8, 2020, at 9am

Public comment/communications: None



Committee Chairman/for Designee



Committee Secretary