

MACOUPIN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH  
Minutes of the Regular Board meeting  
Wednesday, October 21, 2020

**ROLL CALL**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dr. Michael LeVora (by phone starting at 8:15 pm)  
Suzanne Stayton (left the meeting at 8:15 pm)  
Paula Robinson  
Nikkie Ray  
Andrea Card  
Ruth Ann Pomatto

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Mike Barnard  
Ralph March

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Kent Tarro, CEO  
Peggy Garrison, CFO  
Christy Blank, Clinical Director

Suzanne Stayton called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

Quenton Bartony joined the meeting by phone to discuss his son being exposed to COVID-19 from a student at Zion Lutheran school in Staunton. Mr. Bartony shared that he felt the MCPHD was not consistent with the quarantine time for the students that were exposed to COVID-19. Mr. Bartony expressed concern about a family event that was within the time period of the quarantine. Mr. Bartony contacted the Macoupin County States Attorney saying he needs a court order to stop his son from attending the family event. Mr. Bartony asked to review procedures related to COVID-19 and review the Illinois Code. After the telephone call with Mr. Bartony, Christy shared what happened at Zion Lutheran. Christy received the list of students in the class and she notified the school principal that the lab time was 2:31 pm when she received the results from the lab. Christy was in contact with Mr. Bartony each day. Christy said she would not do anything differently with this case.

**CEO Update**

CEO Report was presented by Kent Tarro.

1. The County Board Chairman received a letter from Kent that Dr. Josh Poos moved from the area so Dr. Theresa Polo has been recommended by the Board of Health to fill his term.
2. The MCPHD will be purchasing a tent with heat and air ventilation for drive through events and workable conditions for the staff. Christy shared that testing and tracing needs to be improved. An additional ten employees will be hired to help with contact tracing.
3. Madison Communications highlighted us in their monthly newsletter about our communication systems and protocol and talking about the improved Broad Band that cut our cost by \$5,000.

4. The Litchfield Dental facility that was recently purchased is being remodeled. Hopefully that clinic will be open by the end of November. There will be five chairs and staff are being hired.
5. The facility on St. Frances Hospital grounds will start remodeled soon.
6. At this time, there is sufficient funds for our COVID-19 mitigation efforts.

### **SECRETARY MINUTES**

Nikkie Ray moved to accept the September 16 minutes as printed. Seconded Ruth Ann Pomatto. Motion carried.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

The September Financial Report was presented by Peggy Garrison. The Public Health beginning balance was \$1,411,906.66 and the ending balance was \$887,809.02. FQHC Reimbursement for Payroll was \$379,670.24. The account also received CDC Contact Tracing fund of \$715,428. There was a reimbursement for supplies of \$136,190.01 The WIC account beginning balance was \$17,234.55 and the ending balance was \$21,288.93. The Transportation account beginning balance was \$53,901.55 and the ending balance was \$33,721.07. The Community Care beginning balance was \$410,173.64 and the ending cash balance is \$599,690.54. There will be payments every six months to the USDA for the Morgan Street Clinic Bond issue. The receipts for September were \$405,918,09 and disbursements were \$216,401.19. The ending cash balance is \$599,690.54 A motion by Andrea Card to accept the financial report. Seconded by Paula Robinson. Motion carried.

### **BUSINESS MEETING**

1. The MCPHD received \$3,556.00 from our share of the \$1 million increase in the Illinois Department of Public Health Local Health Protection Grant Line Item.
2. The National Prescription Drug Take Back Day will be held on October 24. Both police departments and pharmacies throughout the county are participating
3. A news release on the Public Health New Mobile Health Units was shared. The mobile unit can be used at clinics that are busy and need additional exam rooms.
4. The COVID-19 continues to have increase numbers in the county. If there are COVID-19 concerns related to business including restaurants, the Illinois State Police will handle the enforcement of wearing masks. Christy shared that testing and tracing needs to be improved. An additional ten employees will help with testing. Also, a Contact Tracing Supervisor is needed and a job description for this position was shared. The reporting system is done electronically and the MCPHD should have results of testing in 12 to 24 hours. At this time, the county is averaging of 25 people a day testing positive for the virus. Paula Robinson moved to hire the Contact Tracing Supervisor. Andrea Card seconded. Motion carried.
5. The State Police have been involved in three COVID-19 enforcements at Roasters Restaurant in Staunton.

6. The day care facilities and bars are having difficulty keeping people safe from COVID-19.
7. Hospitals in the area have an overload of patients with COVID-19. This is causing surgeries to be delayed and patients being sent to other area hospitals. Two news releases from IDPH were shared concerning COVID-19.
8. The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration has a new medical qualification standard permit for drivers with a stable A1C for diabetes. Drivers will have to have a three-month glucose monitoring numbers report. There is an insulin-treated diabetes mellitus assessment form that has to be completed for the drivers by our IDOT Exam Certified Medical Examiners.
9. The Statistical Analysis of Appointments for September were shared: Medical Care – 494; Behavioral Care – 1,167, Dental Care – 1,311 for a total of 2,972. Kent shared that he would like to have more telehealth care for appointments in the future.
10. The Healthy Families report for September was shared.
11. The September WIC Program report was presented. At this time, there are 738 active clients; the highest number of participants served in the past 3 years.
12. A local man has applied for a job. Kent reviewed some of his driving history and the board felt that MCPHD should not hire him.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Paula Robinson moved to go into Executive Session at 8:15 pm. Suzanne Stayton left the meeting. Dr. LeVora joined the meeting by telephone.

The regular meeting went back into session at 8:35 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:37 pm.

Paula Robinson  
Secretary

