



Delta County Board of Health Meeting Minutes September 19, 2023

Board Members	Staff	Guests/Public
Don Chapman Mike Lane Wendell Koontz Jo Rosenquist (excused absence) Jeri Roberts (excused absence)	Shawn Gardner Pat Sullivan Leah Rawson Leone Anderson Robbie LeValley Karen O'Brien - attending Public Health in the Rockies	

Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Koontz at 3:30 PM.
- Action on the minutes:
 - August 15th Board of Health Meeting minutes – Don Chapman moved to accept the minutes, and Mike Lane second. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Introduction of the new Environmental Director:

Shawn Gardner was introduced to all in attendance as the new EH Director and he described his past work experience and the upcoming timeline of new staff and excitement about working in EH. Shawn described he and his staff's progress in State required licensing for staff doing retail food inspections.

Nurse's Report on animal bites:

The topic of entering domestic animal bites was opened and noted that historically this information has not been entered into CEDRS. The state does not require that data entry. Pros: Ability to track the number of incidents and have permanent storage for the data. The discussion will resume at the next BoH meeting when there is full attendance. Incidentally to this discussion, a report to the BoH of the 2 positive bats with rabies was clarified per their

location and non-threat to human exposure. There continues to be concerns around further sick bats and that we will continue to submit any animal of concern for testing.

Public Health Director's Report

Financials

- Leone presented the financial statement and clarified for Commissioner Koontz items on the statement.
- Mike Lane motioned to accept the financials and Don Chapman second. The vote was unanimous and the financials were approved.

Department Updates - Leah Rawson

- Community Health Assessment – Leah provided an update on the Community Health Assessment and upcoming CHAPS team presentation to the BOH at the October meeting.
- Immunizations -
 - The new Covid-19 vaccine formulation has been ordered from Moderna and we will be notified when it shipped.
 - Flu vaccines are now available.
- Communications – Highlighted for the BoH the media releases regarding WNV cases and positive rabies. These releases did elicit an increased number of inquiries to the Department.
- Outreach – Discussed local outreach efforts. Spoke with local health organizations regarding programs for the community. We attended the Delta County Fair providing WNV education and information on the services offered through the Health Department.
- Organizational Competencies: Staff are in process of working through billing for vaccines for those with Medicare Part D.
- Front Desk Report: Handing out Mosquito Dunks and demand for school-age vaccines has slowed.
- Remainder of **Staff Report**: BoH members had no further questions or concerns regarding the remainder of the report.

Adjourn

- There being no further items for discussion, the Board of Health meeting was adjourned at 4:05 PM by Commissioner Koontz.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Leah Rawson.