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Lee County Board of Health Report July 11, 2023

The Lee County Board of Health met at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 11, 2023 at the Lee County Health Department.

Board members present were Dr. Saad Blaney, Katie White, Dr. William Long, Janice McCoy, Emily Rose & Sue Shippert. Board members absent were Courtney Kennedy & Dr. Shailee Patel. Also present at the meeting were health department employees Cathy Ferguson-Allen, Lisa Wiggins & Jennifer Kolb.

Guests Present: None

President Dr. Long called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

The minutes for the May 9, 2023 meeting were approved.

Public/Visitor Comments:

None

Monthly Financial Reports:

The May & June Financial Reports and June & July Claims Registers were reviewed and approved.

Administrator's Report:

Cathy informed the board that Janice McCoy has agreed to and been appointed by the county board to another 3 year term on the board of health.

Our last remaining contact tracer ended her time with LCHD as of June 30. We were able to offer several extensions to her original agreement due to COVID funding. She was gracious enough to stay with us on a very part-time basis until that funding finally ended.

After tomorrow's staff meeting, Grace Riley, MSW/LCSW will provide an employee in service on mental health, burnout & self-care.

Division Reports:

Fiscal & Front Office Services:

Cathy reported on behalf of Angel that we received our IDHS FY23 year-end reporting package; reporting requirements are the same as the last several years.

We are having an IDHS fiscal review on August 22. Angel is fully prepared and doesn't anticipate concerns.

Environmental Health:

Jennifer thanked Katie and Cathy for their assistance with the recent EH code updates.

She discussed a couple of food vendors at Petunia Fest requiring follow-up. One in particular had many issues that took time to remedy.

She will be handling food inspections at the Lee County Fair, as Ashley Poore and Sam Bay will be traveling out of state for our FDA grant.

She is nearing completion of being trained to do lead inspections.

Community & Personal Health:

Cathy reported for Jenny that the grant requirements for the family planning grant have been completed and submitted. This application covered FY24 & 25.

Our PA continues providing various reproductive health services. We had a 12% patient increase over the last state fiscal year.

School and sports physicals have been picking up; we scheduled an additional date in July. CPH division works with the MCH Division to get any needed immunizations for the patients at the time of the school and sports physicals.

Infectious Disease program has been busy case managing Lyme Disease, Latent TB & Chlamydia cases, as we've seen a recent influx of these.

Our TB testing has increased due to CNA/Nursing program requirements.

We continue to offer the Moderna bivalent COVID vaccine.

Maternal & Child Health:

Lisa shared that a new list has come out from the state identifying high risk zip codes for lead and most in Lee County are on the list.

We have certain requirements for educational material by trimester for our prenatal clients. We have streamlined some information and added it to our website.

New Business:

None

Old Business:

None

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the Board of Health is September 12, 2023.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cathy Ferguson-Allen, M.P.H.
Administrator