



Florence County Health Department

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Florence County Board of Health Meeting Minutes Wednesday, March 16, 2022 - 5:00 PM Upstairs Conference Room of Florence County Courthouse

Mission: Connecting You to a Better Life!

Vision: Healthy people, vibrant communities

Values: COMMITMENT, COLLABORATION, COMPASSION

Call to order/Roll Call: *Meeting called to order by: Susan Theer, **Present:** Susan Theer, Sherry Johnson, Dr. Erin DePrekel, Carolyn Lemanski, Charles Kellstrom and Chad Hedmark **Called In:** Cindy Kmecheck*

M/S Hedmark/Johnson to approve the agenda as posted unanimously approved

Lemanski/Hedmark to approve February 15, 2022 and special meeting interview minutes of 2/24/22 meeting minutes unanimously approved

Johnson/Hedmark to approve February expenditures unanimously approved

Program/Plan Reports:

- i. Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP)/ COVID 19 Updates-Seibold reported that Florence County vaccine rate is around 52%, similar to last month. FCHD has a small supply of Pfizer COVID vaccine left. FCHD will continue to hold weekly clinics until vaccine supply is gone.
- ii. Reproductive Health-Seibold stated that this program is usually lead by the Public Health Nurse (PHN). Due to the current staff vacancy of the PHN, other staff are familiarizing themselves with this program to serve the clients on this program.
- iii. Approval of Chronic Disease Prevention 2022 – 2023 Contract – Seibold reported this is the third year that FCHD has contracted with Lynn Mueller to offer the Yoga classes in Florence County. M/S Hedmark/Johnson unanimously approved
- iv. AHEC CHIP Summer Interns – Seibold stated this is FCHD’s fourth year of hosting an AHEC intern. This year, FCHD had three matches for the AHEC Intern program. One intern will work with the DATCAP/DNR Program doing inspections and taking water samples. The second intern has a registered dietitian background so she will work with ADRC, Extension-Florence and FCHD doing Meal Sites presentations, Food Fun & Fitness and Outdoor Adventure programming, and working with the WIC Registered Dietitian with lesson planning. The third intern comes to FCHD with a nursing background, she will learn about the different programs that are offered by the health department and help with vaccine clinics as needed. This program is a great opportunity to support youth from our area to display different avenues of the health field.
- v. Update on PHN position – Seibold reported that FCHD has hired a graduate student from Milwaukee School of Engineering for the PHN position, Ally Niven. Her official start date will be June 13, 2022.
- vi. Narcan- Chad Hedmark reported that the fentanyl crisis is very alarming and dangerous in our area. With the help of community partners, Hedmark would like to implement training in the schools to teach the staff how to treat a patient with rescue breaths before using Narcan. Hedmark’s vision is to supply pocket masks to all the classrooms and have valve

masks available in the school offices. Hedmark will be talking with the School Superintendent to set up a date for training that works for school staff and any interested community partners.

Director reports- Seibold stated that 3rd Grade swim lessons will be offered in partnership with the YMCA, starting April 2022. FCHD has provided each participant with a backpack and towel to promote health equity. Drug Take back day is April 30, 2022. FCHD along with the Florence Sherriff's office will accept free disposal of perscription drugs and sharps. Seibold mentioned that FCHD is talking about trading in one of the department vehicles and getting bids for a bigger different vehicle, more discussion at next month's meeting.

Committee Comments for Future Agenda Items:

Next meeting date: April 20, 2022 or TBD

Adjourn: M/S Johnson/Lemanski unanimously approved

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