

# **CITY-COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES**

## **Monthly Board Meeting**

**July 23, 2013**

**PRESENT:** Sharon Buhr, Chair  
Dr. James Buhr, Secretary  
Tom Overn, Vice Chair

**ABSENT:** Cindy Schwehr, Madeline Luke

**ALSO PRESENT:** Theresa Will, RN, Director  
Angie Martin, Office Manager  
Marcie Bata, BC Environmental Health Practitioner  
Ken Astrup, Dakota Plains Cooperative  
John Wurzer and Delaine Huseby, owners of Crossroads, Enderlin

**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order at 3:57 p.m. by Sharon Buhr, Chair, in the County Commission room in the Barnes County Courthouse.

**AGENDA:** The agenda was approved as printed.

**MINUTES:** Overn moved to approve the minutes of the June 25, 2013 monthly meeting and July 15, 2013 special meeting as printed. Second by Dr. Buhr. Unanimous vote, motion carried.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** The Board reviewed the Director's Report.

**VOUCHERED EXPENSES:** Dr. Buhr moved, Overn seconded a motion to approve the vouchered expenses for July/August. Unanimous vote and motion carried.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** The financial report was reviewed.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Achieve grant: Nothing to report at this time.

CCHD facilities update: 3 of 5 Barnes County Commissioners voted at the last County Commission meeting to pursue a purchase agreement for the First Community Credit Union building to house CCHD and possibly Barnes County Social Services. Will has looked into the current leases for businesses housed in the FCCU building. Regarding lead and asbestos testing in the building, Sandy Washek, ND Department of Health, cannot do the required testing and it must be done by a private contractor.

CDM: Standards of Care reviewed for the CDM program. Brochure reviewed. Anticipate 80 total clients over two years (40 per year). Dr. Buhr moved to approve the Standards of Care as protocol for the new CDM program. Second by Overn. Unanimous vote, motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Marcie Bata, EHP, explained septic system situation at Crossroads, an Enderlin area bar/restaurant establishment owned by John Wurzer and Delaine Huseby, who are seeking a variance. Bata stated there has been a septic code in Barnes County since 1999. Jim Michael, former EHP for Barnes County, conducted an inspection of the system in 2010 (the system was originally installed in 2004). They are licensed as a limited restaurant (the ND Food and Lodging unit inspects bars and limited restaurants in ND).

The septic system must meet state code to also meet the food code. The owners have until the end of October 2013 to meet the local code. The owners want to turn the establishment into a bar/steakhouse. There are currently 40 seats in the bar with 79 seats potentially available throughout the establishment. The owners took issue with some of the requirements regarding their septic system in light of putting the restaurant in their establishment. Wurzer stated that it was suggested that water usage be monitored as they usually use less than 10,000 gallons per month. The owners were concerned about lack of documentation in Barnes County regarding previous septic inspections. Bata informed the Board that documentation is housed at Central Valley Health District in Stutsman County as Barnes County contracts with CVHD for EHP services. The original project was permitted. The Board suggested the owners downsize their restaurant per the owners' statements that they would rarely, if ever, have a capacity crowd at their establishment. The issue was tabled at this time.

Evaluation of director: Tabled until August meeting.

New Forms/Policies:

- Mandatory Reporting: Vulnerable Adult, Abuse and Neglect
- Mandatory Reporting: Child Protection and reporting form

Overn moved to approve the policies and reporting form as presented. Second by Dr. Buhr. Unanimous vote, motion carried.

Fertilizer plant safety was discussed with Ken Astrup of Dakota Plains Cooperative in Valley City as a new fertilizer plant is planned near Spiritwood. The Board was concerned about safety in light of an explosion in a fertilizer plant in Texas recently. Astrup explained that the fertilizer industry is regulated by the Ag Department and energy input is regulated by the Public Service Commission (PSC). ND has no plans at this time to handle ammonium nitrate at the new plant which was the cause of the explosion in Texas. This plant will handle anhydrous ammonia and urea (nitrogen) fertilizers, which are safer. The plant will utilize waste water from Jamestown, as this is a health department concern. Dakota Plains will contract with Safety Resource Alliance. Construction has not yet started on the plant project.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, Aug. 27 at 3:00 p.m. in the County Commission chambers (please note time change to 3 p.m.).

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. James Buhr, Secretary