

LINCOLN-LANCASTER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Board of Health
September 10, 2013

I. ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Health was called to order at 5:00 PM by Jacquelyn Miller at the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department. Members Present: Roma Amundson, Alan Doster, Marcia White, Brittany Behrens (ex-officio), Tim Sieh (ex-officio) and Jacquelyn Miller. Doug Emery arrived at 5:04 PM

Members Absent: Karla Lester, Heidi Stark and Trish Owen (ex-officio).

Staff Present: Judy Halstead, Charlotte Burke, Steve Frederick, Kathy Cook, Gwendy Meginnis, Steve Beal, Scott Holmes, Andrea Haberman, Joyce Jensen, Gina Egenberger, Renae Rief, Raju Kakarlapudi and Elaine Severe.

Others Present: Nancy Hicks, Craig Strong, Jack Strong, Spencer Reimann.

Ms. White publicly thanked and commended Steve Beal and the Animal Control staff for their good work when her dog was bitten by a neighbor dog on July 31, 2013. She stated the dispatcher was very calm and helpful to her in assuring she received veterinary care for the animal. Officer Dodd was also very helpful in the investigation. She appreciated the good work the Animal Control Division does.

Ms. Amundson introduced Boy Scout Leader Mr. Strong and his members. The Boy Scouts are attending a government meeting as a requirement to receive their government badge.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Dr. Miller asked if there were any additions or corrections to the Agenda.

Motion: Moved by Ms. Amundson that the Agenda be approved as mailed. Second by Ms. White. Motion carried by acclamation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Miller asked if there were any additions or corrections to the Minutes.

Motion: Moved by Ms. White that the August 13, 2013 Minutes be approved as mailed. Second by Dr. Doster. Motion carried by acclamation.

III. PUBLIC SESSION

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. Health Director Update

Ms. Halstead stated the Lancaster County Medical Society has nominated Dr. Michelle Petersen as their representative to the Board of Health. Her appointment has been forwarded to the Lincoln City Council and Lancaster County Commissioners for formal approval.

Ms. White announced she has accepted the Program Manager position with the Community Health Endowment and will resign her position on the Board of Health. She stated she appreciated the opportunity to serve on the Board of Health. Ms. Halstead stated the Mayor's Office will select replacements for Dr. Schneider and Ms. White and those will be forwarded to the Lincoln City Council and Lancaster County Commissioners in the near future.

The Department is working on several legislative initiatives for introduction in the 2014 Legislative Session. The Session begins on January 8, 2014.

Ms. Halstead stated Department management staff have done a good job on revamping personnel evaluations and providing feedback to staff. The City began the 2nd year of the two year budget cycle. Staff will begin work on the 2014-2016 budget in the near future. Ms. Halstead thanked the Mayor's Office for approving the grant funded increase in the Assistant Epidemiologist from .75 to 1.0 FTE. Tommy George will continue to assist Health Data & Evaluation and Community Health Services.

IV. CURRENT BUSINESS (Action items)

- A. Proposed Revisions to LMC 6.02.300 - Hobby Kennel or Cattery; LMC 6.04.050 - Sanitary Conditions; LMC 6.04.150 - Shelter Fee, Release From Shelter; LMC 6.10.090 - Confiscation; LMC 6.10.100 - Bites Unlawful; LMC 6.12.045 - Limit on Number of Cats Owned; LMC 6.12.130 0 - Hobby kennel or Cattery Permit; LMC 6.12.132 - Multi-Cat Household, Permit; LMC 6.12.136 - Multi-Cat Household, Hobby Kennel or Cattery Permit, Non-Conforming; LMC 6.12.140 - Minimum Standards of Sanitation, Care and Adequate Housing of Cats in Hobby Kennel or Cattery or Multi-Cat Household; and LMC 6.12.145 - Hobby Kennel or Cattery or Multi-Cat Household - Cats Running At Large

Mr. Beal stated staff are proposing revisions to the Lincoln Municipal Code - Animal Control ordinances. He reviewed the proposed revisions including deleting the term of Hobby Kennel and using the term Cattery, changing the maximum amount of square footage from 7500 to 750 for animal or fowl pens, enclosures or shelters, increasing the fee for impoundment per animal from \$35.00 to \$40.00, and deleting the reference to unlawful in 6.10.090, allowing staff to address irresponsible owner issues directly with the owner and cite the owner accordingly. The Animal Control Advisory Committee reviewed and approved the proposed revisions on September 6, 2013. Mr. Sieh proposed one additional change - Cattery definition - More than 1, less than 16 cats.

Motion: Moved by Ms. White that the Board of Health approve the revisions to

LMC 6.02.300, 6.04.050, 6.04, 150, 6.10.090, 6.10.100, 6.12.045m 6.12.130, 6.12.132, 6.12.136, 6.12.140, 6.,12.145 and forward them to the Lincoln City Council for review and approval. Second by Ms. Amundson. Motion carried by a 5-0 roll call vote.

V. CURRENT BUSINESS (Information Items)

A. Child Care Health and Safety Consultation Presentation

Ms. Rief and Ms. Egenberger provided a presentation on the Child Care Health and Safety Consultation Program. Ms. Rief provided background information regarding communicable disease outbreaks and the Program's efforts to increase best practices, policies and safety training for child care staff. Ms. Egenberger stated staff focus on child care centers and feel they have made an impact on the decreased disease outbreaks due to their training efforts. Ms. Egenberger provides consultation to the centers, visits each center personally and works with them on emergency response plans, waste reduction and illness prevention. Board members had the opportunity to participate in the actual training session.

B. Chlamydia Infection and Re-Infection Update

Ms. Haberman and Mr. Kakarlapudi provided a presentation on Chlamydia Infection and Re-Infection Rates. She stated Chlamydia is caused by a bacteria and is the most frequently reported sexually transmitted infectious disease. Mr. Kakarlapudi reviewed the data analysis from 2009-2012. They noted our rates are comparable with rates in the State and across the country. Ms. Haberman stated patients are tested and if positive, treated. A staff nurse follows up to assure compliance with treatment. Staff encourage annual testing for those 25 years of age and younger, outreach and treatment of partners and education.

C. Responsible Beverage Server Training (RBST) Update

Ms. Jensen provided an update on the Responsible Beverage Server Training Program. The program began in October, 2012. Individuals were able to obtain their permits at no cost until April, 2013. To date, nearly 10,000 individuals have obtained their responsible beverage server permit. Ms. Halstead complimented Ms. Jensen on a good job with the program.

VI. FUTURE BUSINESS

Health Department response to E Cigarettes and the Mayor's Community Health Challenge.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Meeting - October 8, 2013 - 5:00 PM

UNL Veterinary Diagnostic Center site visit - Tuesday, September 17, 2013 - 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM. Dr. Doster's office and Ms. Severe will provide additional details about the site visit.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:28 PM.

Elaine Severe
Recording Secretary

Jacquelyn Miller
Vice-President