



MINUTES OF BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

February 6, 2019

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Chair Peer at 6:00 p.m.

Board of Health Members Present: Supervisor Peer, Supervisor Brown, Dr. Meyers, Supervisor Gramke, Dr. Somaraju, and Supervisor Rynes.

Board of Health Members Absent: Ms. Wade, Dr. Winter, Mr. Gresens.

Staff Members Present: Rick Wietersen – Environmental Health Director; Michelle Bailey – Public Health Nursing Supervisor; Janis Baumann – Environmental Health Specialist III; Samantha Clark – Account Clerk III; and Jessica Turner – Administrative Services Supervisor.

Others Present: Rich Bostwick – Rock County Supervisor; David Hauenstein – UW Green Bay nursing student.

Adopt Agenda

Supervisor Rynes made a motion to adopt the agenda. Dr. Meyers seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED.

Approval of Minutes – 1/9/19

Supervisor Brown made a motion to approve the minutes of the 1/9/19 Board of Health meeting. Supervisor Gramke seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED.

Citizen Participation

Mr. Bostwick announced an upcoming pancake breakfast fundraiser for an area canoeing and kayaking group. It will take place on March 16 at the Soulful Toad in Fort Atkinson. Tickets are \$5. He will be selling tickets at next month's meeting.

Ms. Bailey introduced David Hauenstein, UW Green Bay BSN completion student. Mr. Hauenstein introduced himself to the Board. Ms. Bailey said that his project is related to the perinatal transition occurring within the Public Health Department.

Ms. Turner introduced Samantha Clark, the Public Health Department's new Account Clerk III. Ms. Clark introduced herself to the Board.

New Business

Administrative Division

Review of Payments

The Board reviewed the Health Department's December and January payments in the amount of \$6,587.27 and \$4,304.85 respectively.

Transfer of Funds over \$5,000

None at this time.

Health Department Report

In the News

Mr. Wietersen reported that measles outbreaks are occurring in Minnesota, Oregon, and Washington. These outbreaks are related to unvaccinated individuals. He said Bayfield County is listed in the top 15 counties with low vaccination rates. Mr. Wietersen stated that one way to contract this type of disease is to travel out of the country. Chair Peer asked about laws requiring vaccinations. Ms. Bailey explained that Wisconsin allows three types of vaccination waivers – medical, personal conviction, and religious. She stated that some states do not allow waivers. She added that there were no cases of measles in the last 3 years and now there are 50 cases in Washington. Most of these cases are children and most are not vaccinated. Mr. Wietersen told the Board that he received a tip from the State that a Madison television station is doing a story on this topic and may be contacting the Rock County Public Health Department. He also stated that the Public Health Department received a call from a local newspaper. The Board members discussed school vaccination waivers and the efforts of the School Health Collaborative. Mr. Wietersen shared a news story from Kentucky wherein a business contracted with a private group to give vaccinations and secondary infections occurred from improper storage of the vaccine.

Mr. Wietersen reported that the Public Health Department discussed the importance of locking up medications and the prescription drug takeback program on WCLO in January. On February 21, two employees will be on WCLO to discuss radon. Mr. Wietersen added that a press release on radon was sent out yesterday.

According to Mr. Wietersen, the Healthful Hints article for January focused on the Hidden in Plain Sight initiative and will focus on heart health in February.

The Board members had a discussion about Juul e-cigarettes. Chair Peer requested an educational presentation at a future meeting.

Surveillance

Ms. Bailey told the Board members that influenza usually peaks in February. Rock County has had six deaths so far. There have been 405 Influenza Type A cases reported in people age 50 and up. Hospitalizations are on the rise, but there have only been 16 people hospitalized this year compared to 126 last year. Ms. Bailey added that Wisconsin is below the baseline for influenza-like diseases. These include diseases that involve fever, cough, or sore throat. Ms. Bailey said that the southern region has the highest influenza vaccination rate in Wisconsin.

Ms. Bailey also reported that there was a Norovirus and Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) outbreak in a daycare. The Public Health Nurse consulted with the State Epidemiologist about the RSV since this is not a reportable disease.

Ms. Bailey said that 11 of 15 counties in the southern regions have had gastrointestinal outbreaks. Rock County was the exception this month.

Community Events/Outreach

Mr. Wietersen said that Ms. Klingensmith gave an educational presentation on health equity to the United Way Blackhawk Region.

Mr. Wietersen told the Board that there has been statewide movement on the nitrate issue. In the future there may be funding for people with impacted wells. Currently funding is only available if the well owner owns livestock and has tested over 40ppm. Mr. Wietersen added that nitrate-friendly practices are being implemented on the County-owned farm. There is also a farmer-led workgroup being formed to address similar practices. Mr. Wietersen will be reporting to the County Board this month and to the State Soil and Water group from Land Conservation. The Board members discussed nitrate sources and methods for treating wells that have tested high for nitrates. Mr. Wietersen stated that it takes approximately 8-10 years for the groundwater to change. Mr. Wietersen also told the Board that UW-Madison will be giving the Public Health Department a student to help analyze the data from the nitrate risk tracking tool that was previously created.

Budget

Mr. Wietersen relayed that the Public Health Department is wrapping up the 2018 budget. Grant expenditures have been submitted and transfers are in the works.

Personnel

Mr. Wietersen said that the Public Health Department has two new employees. Samantha Clark is the new Account Clerk III and Adrijana Pusnik is the new Health Educator. Judy Sengstock is no longer with the Public Health Department and David Pluymers put in his resignation. The Assistant Director position and a Public Health Nurse position have been posted. The Public Health Nurse position closes on Friday.

Pool and Hot Tub Licensing and Testing

Ms. Baumann gave a PowerPoint presentation on pool and hot tub licensing and testing (see attached).

Communications and Announcements

None at this time.

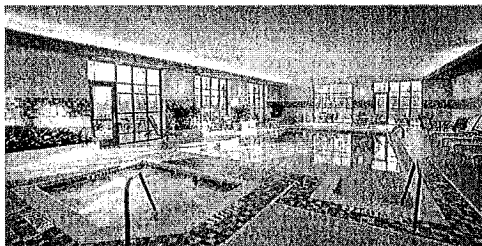
Adjournment

Dr. Meyers made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Gramke seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED. Meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jessica Turner, Recorder

Not Official Until Approved by the Board of Health



Recreational Water Licensing & Testing

Janis Baumann RS

Rock County Public Health Department
February 6, 2019



ATCP 76 Licensing

Purpose(76.01): *"to regulate the maintenance and operation of public pools and water attractions in order to protect the health and safety of the public"*

Applicability(76.02): *"a pool or water attraction...that is installed in a place of employment...or in a public building..."* (Excerpt)

Pool means a structure, basin, chamber, or tank, and appurtenant buildings & equipment, used for wading, swimming, diving, water recreation, or therapy. (Excerpt)

Water attraction means a public facility with design and operational features that provide patron recreational activity other than conventional swimming and involves partial or total immersion of the body. (Excerpt)

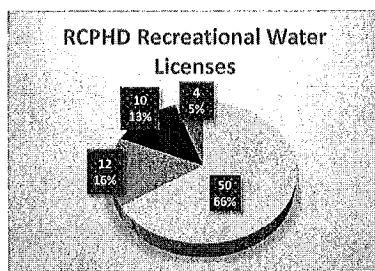
Whirlpool means a small pool, sometimes called a "spa", which uses higher temperature water than other pools and may include a water agitation system.



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Pools (50)

Hotels
Clubs /Apartments
Schools
Campgrounds



Whirlpools (12)

Other (10)

Wading Pools
Therapy Pools
Splash Pads
YMCA's

Beaches (4)



Requirements

WDATCP contract: Every licensed pool and water attraction must be inspected at least annually during the permit year (July 1st through June 30th)

RCPHD Protocol:

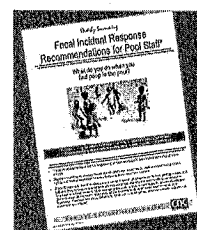
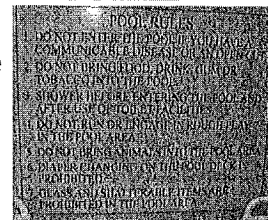
- Every seasonal pool and water attraction has monthly chemical testing throughout period open to public (**Summer**)
- Indoor pools receive mid-summer chemical checks.





Checklist for Inspecting

1. Inspection of the Water – chemistry, kit, clarity, temperature, turnover rate
2. Inspection of Pool Area – barriers, permit, signs, safety equipment, water level, skimmers/drains, general cleanliness & maintenance
3. Inspection of Pump Room - pump operational, chemical labeling & storage, flow meters, gauges, feeders, chemical controller
4. Records review – monthly reports (testing frequencies & trends) – forms used?



Chemical Testing

Taylor kit

1. Colorimetric - Subjective
2. Ease of use
3. Majority of operators use
4. Limitations for pH & cyanuric acid

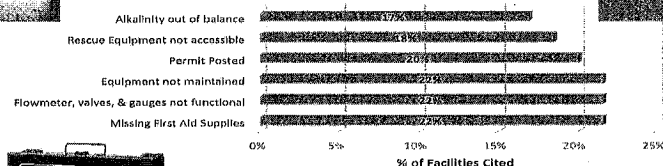

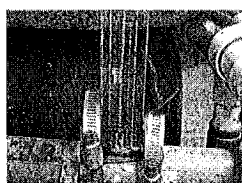


Palintest kit

1. Photometric – Objective
2. More steps involved
3. Longer life for reagents
4. Very few operators use
5. Glass



Difficulties with Whirlpools/Spas/Hot Tubs



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Temperature


Low Water Volume

Evaporation

Overdosing

Lack of Showering

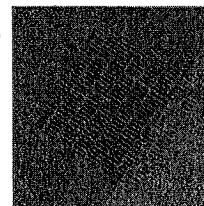
Overloading



CAUTION: SPA RULES

- Clearly persons, pregnant women, infants, and those with health conditions requiring medical care should consult a physician before entering a spa.
- Water temp.
- Unsupervised use by children under the age of 14 is prohibited.
- Hot water immersion while under the influence of alcohol, narcotics, drugs, or medicines is prohibited.
- Medication and alcohol consumption while in the spa is not recommended.
- Do not drink alcohol.
- Long exposure may lead to dehydration, dizziness or fainting.

Fixes: Breakpoint Chlorination “shocking”
Water replacement “cycling”



Public Health

RCPHD Outreach

Electronic newsletter to pool operators 2019



Ongoing VGBA compliance tracking

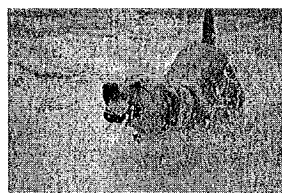
Lifeguard staffing plan revisions

End of season dog swim events

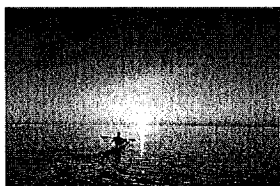
WCLO water safety talk July 2019

New facility plan reviews

Homeowner preventative pool safety



Public Health



On the Horizon...

New pools, new types of pools and the remodeling of older pools

Proposed DATCP code changes: CPO (Certified Pool Operator) or AFO (Aquatic Facility Operator) at every licensed facility

State standardization of pool inspectors – currently RCPHD inspectors are CPO's with recertification every 5 years (11/2023)



Public Health

Thank You

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"For a community to be whole and healthy, it must be based on people's love and concern for each other."

- Millard Fuller