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BOARD OF HEALTH

MARCH 23, 1989

PRESENT: Donald Kramer, Dr. Sofiah, Warren Pomeroy, Dr. Cudahy

ALSO PRESENT: Andrew Lucyszyn, Dr. William Coch, Corrine Collins
ABSENT: Doris Halstead, Dr. Tartaglia, Dr. Nystrom

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kramer at 7:45 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved upon motion by Warren Pomeroy and second by Dr. Cudahy.

OLD BUSINESS

Staff Changes - Jerry Babchak has gone back on disability and he is not expected to return to our employ. We will not be filling Jerry's position until his separation becomes final. We have hired two new public health technicians, Richard Hayward and Steven Chaffee. One to fill the vacancy left by Gretchen Gary and one to fill a new position that was created. On March 27, 1989 we will be going to the full County Board for approval to hire two permanent part-time RN's to work our clinics. In addition we have two RN's scheduled for surgery this summer, so we will be hiring one temporary replacement to fill in their absence. Furthermore, we will be hiring a temporary clerical employee to help with office tasks. Stephen Howe, Public Health Educator has passed his civil service examination and will placed on probation for an 8 to 26 week period. The possibility of combining Education of Handicapped Children with the Physically Handicapped Children's Program was discussed. Both programs could be under the supervision of Cyndi Fanton, presently Coordinator of the Physically Handicapped Children's Program. Corrine Collins, Office Manager will be temporarily filling in as secretary for the Board Of Health.

Radon Detector Distribution - Allegany County Department of Health was approved as a radon detector distribution site by the New York State Health Department. Operation of this program was discussed, no action was taken by Board.

Home Health Care Classification Project - A questionaire from Georgetown University involving patient services and medical financing of services was completed by Christine Johnson, Director of Patient Services. This report gave a rural nursing perspective to the project. Allegany County Health Department was invited to Washington D.C. to receive a copy of the report findings, however we graciously declined due to the traveling involved. They will send us copies of the report.

Anonymous AIDs Testing Location - Allegany County has been approved by the State Health Department as an AIDs testing location. The exact location of the testing will be revealed when an appointment is made with the State Health Department. The operation of the AIDs testing will be done solely by the State Health Department. This program will be advertised through out the county.

Family Planning - Dr. Coch was asked to develop a protocol for treatment of yeast infections for clients attending the Family Planning Clinics. He stated he would look into developing a procedure for these types of infections.

Four Lakes Vacationland - Each board member was given a copy of the summary of the lastest activities involving Mr. Middaugh's operation of the Four Lakes Vacationland. Mr. Middaugh expressed his desire to pay the $1000 fine in equal monthly installments. Mr. Lucysyn will schedule a meeting between Mr. Middaugh and himself to determine a schedule of payment of the fine. Mr. Lucyszyn assured the Board that no permit to operate will be issued to Mr. Middaugh until payment of the fine has been initiated.

NEW BUSINESS

Low-Level Radiation Waste Information Meeting - The presentation on January 26, 1989, at Houghton by the New York State Health Department was discussed.

Article 6 - Mr. Lucyszyn informed the Board that Article 6 program funding of approximately 1.7 million dollars has been accepted and is now being reviewed for corrections.

Continuity Of Government Services - A request was received from John Tucker, Director of the Office of Emergency Services, to designate a chain of command in the absence of the Health Director. Mr. Lucyszyn reported that he had designated Christine M. Johnson, Director of Patient Services, as Duly Authorized Deputy and Albert Vossler, Public Health Engineer, as Emergency Interim Successor.

Enforcement - Changes to the agency's enforcement system were presented. Existing enforcement is very cumbersome, involving Health Department Staff, a hearing officer, and the Board of Health. This results in serious delays in achieving satisfactory enforcement. A stipulation agreement format has been developed which allows a violator due process, penalties for violations incurred and prompt compliance. A formal hearing may still be held if no stipulation is agreed upon.

Whitesell Stipulation Agreement - Mr. Carl Whitesell illegally installed a sewer system on property which he has since sold. He agreed to and signed a stipulation agreement pending Board of Health approval, admitting the violation and agreeing to pay a fine of $150 in six monthly installments of $25. Motion to

accept Mr. Whitesell's signed stipulation agreement and assessment of $150 fine was moved by Warren Pomeroy and second by Dr. Sofish. Motion carried.

Formal Hearings -

Fanton Case - Mr. Lucyszyn informed the Board of the hearing officer's fine of $200 to Mr. Fanton for installing an illegal sewer system. Mr. Lucyszyn added that addition penalties will follow if he does not comply with the hearing officer's recommendations. Upon motion by Dr. Cudahy and second by Warren Pomeroy the recommendation of the $200 fine by the hearing orficer be accepted. Motion carried.

Sunshine Valley - Mr. Lucyszyn stated that he has not received any results from the formal hearing involving Sunshine Valley owned by Mr. Doxey.

Chris Perkins - Mr. Lucyszyn also stated that he has not received any results as to the outcome of the formal hearing involving Mr. Perkins. Mr. Perkins who is a contractor, installed a sewer system without applying for a permit.

The Belvidere - Mr. Jerry Babchak, Public Health Sanitarian was called to be a witness on March 3, 1989 at a hearing held by the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board regarding the improper conduct of an employee of The Belvidere. The Belvidere operators surrendered their liquor license and have since gone out of business.

Dental Assessment - Mr. Lucyszyn enlightened the board on the status of the dental assessment to be performed by the Health Department. Mr. Lucyszyn stated that the Dental Hygienist had been hired through Alfred Associates and the dental supplies have arrived. The Public Health Educator and the hygienist will begin in April to travel to several different schools to assess the dental needs of the children of Allegany County. It was stated that only children in grades one, four, seven and eleven would be assessed. Further action by the Health Department will be determined by the findings of this study.

Cuba Incinerator - Copies of the Cuba incinerator preliminary emmissions study were given to Board members. This study was on the impact of the Cuba incinerator on area soil and grass as well as on dairy products. A lengthly discussion of the study findings followed. A final report by the New York State Health Department on their evaluation will follow.

Also given to Board members was information on a study that was conducted by The Health Systems Agency of Western New York, Inc. Professional Services Division on the incidence of cancer deaths in the township of Cuba since the installation of the Cuba incinerator six years ago. The study compared Cuba with other townships of a similar size and found Cuba to have one of the lowest percentages of cancer deaths in the county. Discussion followed.

Community Health Assessment - Copies of the health assessment were distributed to Board members for their review. The assessment was completed by Health Systems Agency of Western New York and must be updated annually. Future health programs will be guided by this assessment.

Health Education Week - Health Education Week was promoted through articles in local newspapers and by distributing informational pamphlets in area supermarkets.

Computer Update - Computers have arrived. Two health department employees had an intense week of training on the new computer software in Florida. Computer Resources Inc. has spent the last week here at our facility customizing the medical software. We hope the new system is up and running within the next couple of weeks.

Adult Immunizations - Mr. Lucyszyn presented for discussion a request from Chris Johnson, DPS to change the Agency's policy to allow for immunization of individuals over 18 years of age. It was explained that we have been unable to comply with physician and patient requests for adult immunizations due to present policy restricting innoculations to children. There is also a need to actively promote adult DP boosters and measles immunizations. Also discussed was impending legislation requiring all New York State college students to be adequately immunized against poliomyelitis, mumps, measles, dyptheria, and rubella.

Upon motion by Dr. Cudahy and second by Dr. Sofish (Medical Advisory Committee Members), the agency's policy was changed, thereby allowing for adult immunizations. Motion carried.

AUDIT OF CLAIMS

Upon motion of Warren Pomeroy and second of Dr. Cudahy all claims submitted for payment were reviewed and accepted.

ADJOURNMEMT

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Corrine M. Collins
Office Manager

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BOARD OF HEALTH

APRIL 27, 1989

PRESENT: Donald Kramer, Dr. Tartaglia, Dr. Cudahy, Dr. Nystrom, Warren Pomeroy, Doris Halstead

ALSO PRESENT: Andrew Lucyszyn, Director, Dr. William Coch, Medical Advisor, Corrine Collins, Office Manager, Vicky Gaeta, Coordinator LTHHCP, Chris Johnson, DFS, Albert Vossler, Public Health Engineer

ABSENT: Dr. Sofish

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kramer at 8:50 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved upon motion by Dr. Tartaglia and second by Dr. Cudahy.

AUDIT OF CLAIMS

Upon motion of Doris Halstead and second of Dr. Tartaglia all claims submitted for payment were reviewed and accepted.

OLD BUSINESS

Staff Changes - On March 27th the County Board of Legislatures approved our request to hire two permanent part-time RN's to work our clinics. The two RN's we have hired to fill these positions are Chris Mountain and Brenda Robarts. In addition we have also hired Suzanne Harris as a temporary replacement for Wanda Dean and subsequently Norilyn Patrick. Linda Ross Aronson has passed the civil service test for Medical Records Computer Operator and is now permanent in that position. Now that Linda is permanent Nancy Counterman becomes permanent in the Account Clerk Typist position left vacant by Linda. Rosemarie Waggner was hired for 30 days to help with office tasks. Our two technicians Steven Chaffee and Richard Haywood spent one day with Warren Pomeroy gaining valuable experience on how to install septic systems.

Legal Action and Enforcement -

Four Lakes Vacationland - Mr. Lucyszyn informed board members he has been unable to reach Mr. Middaugh to set up an appointment for payment of the $1000 fine.

Whitesell Stipulation Agreement - Mr. Carl Whitesell has begun making payments as to the stipulation agreement and fine of $150.

Cuba Incinerator Study - A copy of the report by the Bureau of

Toxic Substances was handed to committee members. Discussion followed. The health departments request for an indepth cancer study of Allegany County was tabled by the state health department until the final four sites for Low-Level Radiation have been chosen. At that time the four sites will automatically have in-depth cancer studies performed.

Family Planning - A discussion of the treatment of vaginal infections at our family planning clinics took place. Dr. Tartaglia impressed upon the other board members the need for the health department to purchase a microscope to be used by Family Planning nurses to detect vaginal infections. Dr. Tartaglia also stressed the need for the Family Planning staff to be trained in the use of the microscope and in the detection of bacteriological organisms and vaginal infections. Dr. Coch will continue to develop a protocal for Family Planning nurses to treat these vaginal infections with lotions and creams. A motion was made by Dr. Tartaglia that the Nurse Practitioner and Family Planning nurses be educated to detect and treat bacteriological organisms and vaginal infections. Dr. Nystrom seconded and the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Increase rates for skilled nursing service - John Cropski, CPA has recommended that the health department increase our current skilled nursing fee from $52.00 a visit to $60.00. The $60.00 fee is based on a rise in the actual cost per visit. Chris Johnson, DPS commented that increased cost is partly due to an increase in unduplicated patient count and less visits. The number of visit dropped from 5 before discharge to 3 because of medicare mandates. Dr. Coch asked if we could be more efficient if we elevated some non-charge visits. Chris explained how our billing review process works which includes reviewing every nursing visit to determine whether it is chargable. Mrs. Johnson also mentioned a time study would be performed on 3 nurses in the month of May to determine productivity levels. Discussion followed. Dr. Tartaglia motioned that the skilled nursing fee per visit be increased to $60.00 effective April 1, 1989 for all pay sources except self pay, thus allowing for time to notify self-pay clients of the rate change. Doris Halstead seconded and the motion was carried.

Report by Christine Johnson, DPS - Ms. Johnson reviewed with board members the changes in the health departments policies and procedures that have taken place over the past year. Her discussion also included a summary of the following activities: dental health assessment, lead level testing in Well Child clinics, occult stool sampling in Adult Assessment clinic, Tuberculosis testing in the clinics and the county jail, and weekly AIDS education in the jail.

Report by Theresa (Vicky) Gaeta, LTHHCP coordinator - Ms. Gaeta reported on the operation of the long-term program. In her report, Ms. Gaeta used figures to make a comparision of the estimated cost of placing patients in need of long-term health care in a nursing home with costs of the long-term program to arrive at an estimated savings to the county. In 1988 her report showed the long-term program saved an estimated $492,264.03 over the cost of institutionalized care. She pointed out that part of this institutionalized care would have gone to other counties and to the state of Pennsylvania, which would cost the county lost revenue. In 1988, the county spent $496,000 on patients in the long-term program. The majority of these funds were reimbursed to the county through medicaid. Ms. Gaeta also stressed the humane side of the long-term program which allows for patients to remain in their homes for longer periods and a few until their death.

Report by Albert Vossler, Sr. Public Health Engineer - Mr. Vossler updated the board members on the upcoming events and ongoing projects of the environmental health division. These included the assessment of public water systems; Water Week May 1st - 7th; Health Department water taste test May 5th; Radon testing; DEC Project 205J; NYS proposed changes in the Sanitary Code; Wellsville landfill site; and the possible problem with lead in school drinking fountains.

Report by Andrew Lucyszyn for Cyndi Fanton, PHCP coordinator - Mr. Lucyszyn presented to the board the first quarter statistics for the Physically Handicapped Children's Program. In an effort to increase public awareness of the PHCP, a meeting was held between Ms. Fanton, Dr. Depner, and Dr. Zoerlin. A new brochure has been produced by the New York State Department of Health, and will be mailed to local physicians, school nurses, hospital discharge planners and social workers. It is hoped that thier knowledge of the program will result in increased utilization of the services available through PHCP.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Corrine M. Collins
Office Manager

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BOARD OF HEALTH

May 25, 1989

PRESENT: Donald Kramer, Warren Pomeroy, Doris Halstead, Dr. Cudahy

ALSO PRESENT: Andrew Lucyszyn, Cyndi Fanton - PHCP Coordinator, Corrine Collins

ABSENT: Dr. Sofish, Dr. Tartaglia, Dr. Nystrom

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kramer at 7:32 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved upon motion by Doris Halstead and second by Dr. Cudahy.

AUDIT OF CLAIMS

Upon motion of Dr. Cudahy and second of Doris Halstead all claims submitted for payment were reviewed and accepted.

OLD BUSINESS

Low Level Radioactive Waste Update - Mr. Eugene Hennard was to address the Board of Health members about the concerns of Low-Level Radioactive waste in Allegany County but was unable to attend.

Mr. Lucyszyn informed board members of the State Health Departments request for a meeting with representatives of the Concerned Citizens of Allegany County. This meeting will be open to Legislators, Department Heads, Board members, and concerned citizens.

Radon Testing - Mr. Lucyszyn reported on the results of the radon testings which was done throughout the county offices. None of the sites tested exceeded the minimum level for retesting of 4.0 pCi/L. The highest reading was found in the basement of the Office for the Aging with a reading of 3.4 pCi/L. Mr. Lucyszyn stated health department employees would retest in the winter months when buildings are sealed tighter.

The health department has received its first supply of radon test kits. A good number of the kits have already been sold to the public. Test kits will be made available at Earth Day, June 17th at Allegany County Fairgrounds, and at Allegany County Fair July 17th-22nd.

NEW BUSINESS

Cyndi Fanton, PHCP Coordinator - Ms. Fanton discussed her programs with board members. Her discussion focused on problems with scheduling patients for Orthopedic clinics. New patients are waiting approximately three months to be seen. After meeting with Cattaraugus County she found she could refer children to their clinics in Olean or Salamanca, however this has not alleviated the problem. Ms. Fanton also discussed the orthodontia program. Screening for new patients is now being done in Bath at Steuben Co. Office Building in addition to the Buffalo office. A discussion also took place about the declining number of pediatric physicians who will accept medicaid patients.

Measles immunizations at Alfred State College - After receiving a positive confirmation of measles at Alfred State College the health department decided to hold a special immunization clinic for students. Approximately 1130 students were immunized at the one day clinic.

Water Tasting Contest - Scio was the winner of the water tasting contest held in the main lobby of the court house. Scio's water will be going on to Buffalo for regional competition. Regional winner will advance to the State Fair at Syracuse this summer. Angelica and Richburg earned honorable mention and will be going on to a secondary competition.

Wellsville's Water Treatment Plant - Wellsville has received final approval to construct their new water treatment plant. This plant will be treating approximately 2 million gallons of water per day.

Catering Fee - Mr. Lucyszyn request the board adopt a $25 permit fee for catering facilities. Discussion followed. Dr. Cudahy suggested the board table the request until board members had enough information about the request and time to review the state regulations.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business Doris Halstead motioned the meeting be adjourned, Warren Pomeroy seconded. The meeting adjourned at 9:05pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Corrine M. Collins
Office Manager

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BOARD OF HEALTH

June 22, 1989

PRESENT: Donald Kramer, Warren Pomeroy, Dr. Cudahy, Dr. Nystrom

ALSO PRESENT: Andrew Lucyszyn, Dr. Coch, Corrine Collins

ABSENT: Dr. Sofish, Dr. Tartaglia, Doris Halstead

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kramer at 7:45 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved upon motion by Dr. Cudahy and second by Dr. Nystrom.

AUDIT OF CLAIMS

Upon motion by Dr. Cudahy and second of Warren Pomeroy all claims submitted for payment were reviewed and accepted.

OLD BUSINESS

Staff Changes - On June 14, Cherie Smith began working as a Temporary Public Health Engineer. Cherie is an Alfred University student who will be working on public water supplies throughout the summer. Verna Sabine has been hired to fill the temporary 6-month Public Health Technician position. Verna will start on July 3, 1989 and will be working on various projects. She will also help the current technicians with the summer increase in septic inspections, water samples, and temporary food establishments. Cheryl Stuart, Public Health Nurse resigned effective June 30, 1989. Karen Williams has been hired to replace Cheryl and will begin working on July 18, 1989. Mr. Lucyszyn has received approval to hire a temporary typist for 3 months starting July 3, 1989. Interviews for this position will take place next week.

Legal Action and Enforcement -

Whitesell Stipulation Agreement - Mr. Whitesell is continuing to make payments as per the stipulation agreement.

Hugar Case - At the January 25th board meeting board members motioned to fine Mr. Hugar $150 as per the hearing officers recommendation. Mr. Lucyszyn informed board members that he has not yet received any kind of payment from Mr. Hugar. The case has been turned over to the county attorney.

Four Lakes Vacationland - Mr. Lucyszyn reported that Mr. Middaugh has avoided all attempts by Mr. Lucyszyn to contact him to dis-

cuss payment of the $1000 fine. Board members stressed stronger action should take place. It was discussed that his operation at Four Lakes Vactionland should possibly be closed. No further action took place at this time.

Day Farm Landfill Inspection - The report from the Department of Environmental Conservation stated there was leachate and other contaminates leaking out at the former landfill site. The State Health Department Bureau of Environmental Exposure is scheduled to inspect the site this summer. It was also mentioned that a public notice for information should be given in hopes to find other possible landfill sites in Allegany County that should be examined for contaminates.

NEW BUSINESS

Hearing Officers Findings and Recommendations

Chris Perkins - A copy of the hearing officers report was given to all board members. Sharon Hauselt, Attorney at Law recommended the fine be less than $50. Following a discussion Dr. Nystrom motioned to fine Mr. Perkins $100 to be made in one payment. Warren Pomeroy seconded. Motion carried.

Sunshine Valley - A copy of the hearing officers report was given to all board members. Attorney Sharon Hauselt recommended the fine be at least $500. Upon motion by Warren Pomeroy and second by Dr. Cudahy the recommendation of a $500 fine by the hearing officer in the Robert Doxy case was accepted. Motion carried.

Fall Flu Immunization Clinics - We have placed our order for 2000 doses (10 dose vials) of Influenza Virus Vaccine (purified) Trivalent at a cost of $3500 ($17.50/vial) with Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories. Board members discussed making the vaccine available to physicians at no charge in addition to holding clinics. Dr. Coch recommended that the Public Health Educator highly publicize the availability of the vaccine mainly to the elderly, sick, and to home health care workers.

Proposed State Smoking Legislation - Mr. Lucyszyn distributed copies of the proposed legislation to all board members. If this legislation is signed by Governor Cuomo it will take effect between January 1990 and March 1990. Mr. Lucyszyn discussed with board members the impact of this legislation on the health department.

Annual Fee Schedule - Realty Subdivision - Mr. Lucyszyn discussed with board members the change in the state mandated fee for realty subdivisions. The fee has increased from $3.50 to $25.00 ($12.50 Environmental Conservation and $12.50 for Public Health) and is to be collected by the health department. Upon motion by Warren Pomeroy and second by Dr. Cudahy the board voted to adopt

the new state mandated fee of $25.00 for realty subdivisions.

Cancer Study - Copies of a study, Cancer Mortality by Township which was prepared by Health Systems Agency of Western New York were distributed to all board members. Discussion of the study followed.

Catering Operation Guidelines - Board members were given sample copies of the guidelines and form letters that would be distributed to caterers in order to obtain a permit to operate from the health department. Mr. Lucyszyn requested the board members adopt a fee of $25.00 a year for a catering permit. This fee is the same as the fee for a temporary food establishment. Upon motion by Dr. Nystrom and second by Dr. Cudahy the board moved to establish a $25.00 fee for a catering permit. Motion carried.

Area Flooding - Discussion of the area flooding took place, including the flooding of a spring in West Almond which supplies water to the village of Angelica. The spring was closed by the health department and Angelica residents were asked to boil their drinking water for at least five days until water testing proved the water was not contaminated.

Policy & Procedures for HIV testing in County Jail - Each board member received a copy of the Health Departments policy and procedures for HIV testing in the County Jail. Discussion followed.

Doris Halstead's Reappointment to Board of Health - Upon motion by Warren Pomeroy and second by Dr. Cudahy board members unanimously recommended Doris Halstead for a new term to the Board of Health.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business Chairman Kramer adjourned the meeting at 9:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Corrine M. Collins
Office Manager

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BOARD OF HEALTH

September 28, 1989

PRESENT: Donald Kramer, Dr. Cudahy, Dr. Nystrom, Warren Pomeroy, Doris Halstead

ALSO PRESENT: Andrew Lucyszyn, Dr. Coch, Roxanne Finnemore

ABSENT: Dr. Tartaglia, Dr. Sofish

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kramer at 7:55 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved upon motion by Dr. Cudahy and seconded by Doris Halstead. Motion Carried.

AUDIT OF CLAIMS

Upon motion by Dr. Cudahy and second of Doris Halstead all claims submitted for payment were reviewed and accepted.

OLD BUSINESS

Staff Changes - Beth Schofield, PT resigned her position for a position at Wellsville Manor. Area PT's, colleges and placement services have been contacted for a replacement. Carrine Collins, Office Manager, will be returning to work on Monday, October 2nd following her maternity leave. Roxanne Finnemore, Temporary Typist for Long-Term, is leaving to take a permanent position in Probation starting October 2. Sue Hunter, RN, has been hired full-time for the LTHHCP. Jerry Babchak, Sanitarian, has been granted a one year's leave of absence. Nursing positions - At least six positions may need replacements, two for maternity leave, one for 6 month leave of absence, two who may need surgery, and one who may move from the area.

LEGAL ACTION:
Mr. Lucyszyn reported that the Department has implemented Stipulation Agreements to effectively bring about corrective action of Sanitary Code violations. Mr. Whitesell has completed payment of his fine. Collection procedures have been implemented against Fanton and Hugar for $200.00 fines each. Mary Erhrman of Allentown has signed a stipulation to correct a sewage discharge into a storm drainage system. Mr. Middaugh (Four Lakes) - Mr. Lucyszyn will discuss with Mrs. Sinclair, Commissioner of DSS, the possibility of relocating DSS clients presently housed at Mr. Middaugh's mobile home park.

NEW BUSINESS -

Family Planning/Treatment Protocals - Mr. Lucyszyn presented revised protocals and patient information brochures developed by Dr. Coch for treatment of acute urogenital conditions. A general discussion followed. Motion was made by Dr. Cudahy and seconded by Dr. Nystrom to accept these protocals. Motion carried.

Low-Level Radioactive Waste Siting Update - Dr. Coch and Mr. Lucyszyn reported on their meeting at the New York State Department of Health Regional Office regarding the siting of each facility in Allegany County. Dr. Coch, as medical consultant, has also sent Dr. Axelrod, NYSDH Commissioner a letter asking the State Health Dept. for support that the waste facility represents a definable health risk to county residents.

The board agreed that it must take an active stand against the siting of a waste facility in Allegany County. Dr. Coch suggested that a panel of experts be allowed to present to the board the possible health risks involved as well as other information on this issue so that a position of opposition and concern for county residents health is promoted.

A report on potential sites identification was distributed.

Proposed Revised Fee Schedule - A motion was made by Warren Pomeroy and seconded by Dr. Cudahy to accept the revised schedule for Environmental Health fees. Effective January 1, 1990 the new schedule will be included in the 1990-1991 Municipal Health Services Plan.

Changes to County Sewage Disposal Field Inspections - Mr. Lucyszyn discussed the implementation of a contractor's inspection and certification procedure. This would allow home owners to operate newly constructed sewage systems based upon the contractors certification that the system was contructed in accordance with county plans and specifications. This procedure would be used at times when environmental staff are unable to inspect the site in a timely manner.

Flu Vaccine - Mr. Lucyszyn informed the board that flu vaccine was now available. This will be the departments first attempt at offering flu vaccination to county residents at risk. Clinics have been scheduled in October at various sites throughout the county.

Medicare Settlement - Mr. Lucyszyn reported that an initial review has been completed of the departments 1988 Medicare Cost Report and a temporary settlement of $30,000 will be received.

Cockroach Control - Public Health Educator, Stephen Howe, distributed approximately 500 brochures on cockroach control throughout Bolivar where serious infestation of some neighborhoods has occured.

Rabies - Jim Sturniolo and Mr. Lucyszyn attended a meeting in Elmira regarding the possible spread of raccoon rabies into the county. Allegany and neighboring counties are taking stages to prepare for the possible spread of rabid raccoons into the area from Pennsylvania. County residents will be made aware of the fact that rabies may be in the area, but that it is not a panic situation.

Scio Fire - An expansion of the departments Accident Prevention Program on fire safety following the deaths of 3 children in Scio will be considered. Networking with local volunteer fire departments and other service groups will be investigated. Distribution of smoke detectors and Home-Safe-Home inspections by firemen are possibilities.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business Chairman Kramer adjourned the meeting at 10:50 pm.

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BOARD OF HEALTH

October 26, 1989

PRESENT: Donald Kramer, Dr. Nystrom, Warren Pomeroy

ALSO PRESENT: Andrew Lucyszyn, Dr. Coch, Albert Vossler, Corrine Collins

ABSENT: Dr. Tartaglia, Dr. Sofish, Dr. Cudahy, Doris Halstead

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kramer at 7:35 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS

Staff Changes - Diane Szymkowiak has been hired to fill the position of temporary typist. She will be starting October 30, 1989. We have contracted with Health Care Systems, Inc of Amherst to provide us with physical therapy services beginning in November. The cost of these services will be $55 a visit and 20 cents a mile.

Legal Action and Enforcement -

Four Lakes Vacationland - Mr. Lucyszyn reported effective December 1, 1989 the Department of Social Services will be withholding security deposits and rent for all units due to public health and safety violations and lack of a permit to operate a mobile home park.

Proposed State Changes to Waste Treatment Regulations - Mr. Lucyszyn informed board members that the state was withholding a decision on the proposed changes to waste treatment systems until further review of these changes. Mr. Lucyszyn stated he believed the changes if instituted would not significantly effect Allegany County's individual sewage treatment program.

MEDICARE AUDIT OF 1988 - After review of our 1988 Medicare Cost Report it was determined that our rate should be $43.31 per visit effective 10/23/89. It was also determined that a lump sum adjustment of $16,200 would be paid to us for previous Medicare claims.

Low-Level Radioactive Waste - Dr. Coch is in the process of arranging a presentation for board members on Low-Level Radioactive Waste. Proposed speakers for this presentation may be Dr. Taylor, Physicist, and a NYSDOH representative.

Doris Halstead's Reappointment - Doris Halstead has been reappointed by county resolution to a new term with the Board of Health. This term will run until July 7, 1995.

Flu Vaccination Clinics - Approximately 1500 county residents were recently vaccinated against the flu at our county wide clinics. County employees will also be offered flu vaccinations.

Smoking Regulations - Mr. Lucyszyn reported that informational brochures have been ordered for distribution to the public.

NEW BUSINESS

Hepatitis/EMT Inoculations - Mr. Lucyszyn brought before the board a request from The Office of Emergency Services to offer free inoculations against Hepatitis B to EMT's in Allegany County. Dr. Coch explained that the Hepatitis B inoculation is a series of three shots each costing approximately $109. Mr. Lucyszyn stated that the inoculations would be reimbursed to the Health Department by the state at a rate of 40%. Chairman Kramer felt that by offering these Inoculations to a select few the health department would be opening Pandora's box to other emergency personnel such as firemen. Dr. Coch remarked as to the low incidence of hepatitis B in this county, but that he would research the possible need for EMT's to be inoculated in Allegany County. A lengthy discussion followed.

Municipal Health Services Plan - Mr. Lucyszyn reported that the health staff has worked diligently to update the Municipal Health Services Plan, and are awaiting comments from the NYSDOH.

Friendship Foundry's Health Related Complaints - Mr. Albert Vossler, Public Health Engineer, informed board members of several alleged health complains from foundry fumes received from Friendship residents living in the vicinity of the Friendship Foundry. Mr. Vossler gave copies to board members of a letter he had sent to the DEC in Buffalo and their response to the probable health hazard. After a lengthy discussion Dr. Coch suggested that a random sampling of residents living in the vicinity of the Friendship Foundry be performed to determine if other residents are also experiencing similar health problems. Discussion followed.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business Chairman Kramer adjourned the meeting at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Corrine M. Collins
Office Manager