

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTIES OF POTTER AND RANDALL

CITY OF AMARILLO

On the 28th day of July, 2015 the Amarillo Bi-City-County Public Health district Board met for a quarterly board meeting in the City of Amarillo, Department of Public Health conference room located at 1000 Martin Rd., Amarillo, Texas, with the following members present:

VOTING MEMBERS	PRESENT	NO. MEETINGS HELD	NO. MEETINGS ATTENDED
Kenneth Crossland, DDS Chair, City of Canyon	Y	200	176
J. Taylor Carlisle, MD Potter County	N	95	32
Delores Thompson Potter County	N	24	16
Judy Smith Randall County	Y	72	57
Lanita Tidmore Randall County	Y	34	33
Belinda Gonzales Taylor City of Amarillo	Y	37	28
Kevin Hawkins, Vice Chair City of Amarillo	Y	49	46

Administrative Officers Present:

Casie Stoughton Director, Public Health, City of Amarillo
Gwen Campbell Assistant Director, Public Health, City of Amarillo
Shantel Elser Assistant Director, WIC, City of Amarillo
Richard Havens Director, Animal Management and Welfare, City of Amarillo
Shaun May Director, Environmental Health, City of Amarillo
Joe Mike Briseno Recording Secretary, Public Health, City of Amarillo

Guests Present:

Janet Crossland

Item 1: Call to Order and Welcome

Chairman Dr. Crossland opened the meeting at 7:04pm, established a quorum, and conducted the consideration of the following items in the order presented.

Item 2: Introduction of Guests/New Members

Dr. Crossland - Introduction of Members and Guests. Janet Crossland was in attendance as a guest.

Item 3: Minutes

Dr. Crossland and members of the board reviewed minutes of the previous meeting and they were approved as presented.

Item 4: Presentation of Deputy Health Authorities Dr. Scott Milton and Dr. Robert Urban

Additional Deputy Health Authority coverage through contract amendment with Texas Tech. Motion by J. Smith with second by K. Hawkins. All in favor.

Item 5: Presentation, and Consideration of Principles of the Ethical Practice of Public Health

Ethical standards to be applied to the practice of public health. This will meet a need for Accreditation.

Motion by J. Smith with second by K. Hawkins. All in favor.

Item 6: Administrative Reports given by Department

Animal Management and Welfare

Richard Havens, Director of Animal Management and Welfare, presented the department's report (attached).

- Low kill in animal control.
- Making progress on hiring new assistant director.
- Free training for emergency management.
- 11 positive skunks for rabies in Region 1.
- Seeing distemper in foxes in Amarillo area. Few rabies cases in the panhandle area but none locally.
- 400 rabies shots given and a total of 600 shots given at event held at the Civic Center.
- Planning another pet vaccination clinic in the Fall. Human vaccines will be available again at this clinic.
- Increase in bat specimens in Canyon, TX.

Environmental Health

Shaun May, Director of Environmental Health presented the department's report (attached).

- New equipment purchased for mosquito control, more effective.
- Department were taking 300 to 400 calls for mosquitoes and now it is less than 50.
- Staff works nights and weekends.
- Municipal code for food needs updating. It hasn't been updated since the 1990's
- Flooding issues on Soncy St. wells have been flooded.
- City fees have been waived for septic tanks from flooding.
- Department wants true sanitarians working on cross training within the department.
- Mosquitoes are taking a majority of the time.
- Department is planning on doing assessments on pools and are giving them time to get prepared.
- Starting to get calls for grasshoppers.

Public Health

Casie Stoughton, Director of Public Health, presented the Public Health report (attached).

- Randall and Potter County have no West Nile cases reported to date.
- Increase in syphilis and HIV, age range 15 to 30 years old.
- Back to school immunizations clinics underway.
- 1115 Medicaid Transformation – DY3 goal met 4,468 vaccines given, data clean-up is in progress, DY4 count has started with a goal of 4,700 vaccines to be given.
- MEND programs began March 23rd at Wesley Community Center and Amarillo Town Club.
- Accreditation due November 2015. Staff is working hard to gather documentation.
- Budget, past two years the Department of Public Health have implemented two DSRIP projects and received 4 new grant: PHEP supplemental 1 – ended 6/30/2015 \$17,000.00 PHEP supplemental 2 - \$39,844.00, Ebola - \$52,888.00 to raise up infrastructure, food water for patients well being and Epidemiology \$165,000 (2 years) approved 7/28/15.
- Topical communicable disease update - ARAD, 334 people 125 targeted and exceeded that. 64% completion rate and 25 to 30 graduated and relapsed.

WIC

Shantel Elser, Assistant Director of WIC, presented the department's report (attached).

- Highlights from a presentation for the refugee community.

Item 7: Public Forum

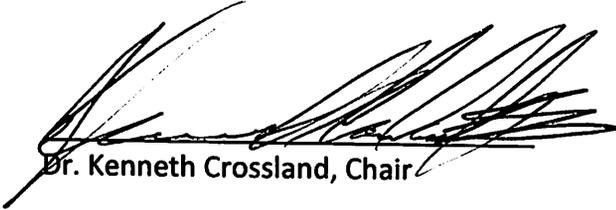
There were no comments from interested citizens on matters directly pertaining to policies, programs or services of the Amarillo Bi-City-County Health District.

Item 8: Discuss Items for Future Agendas

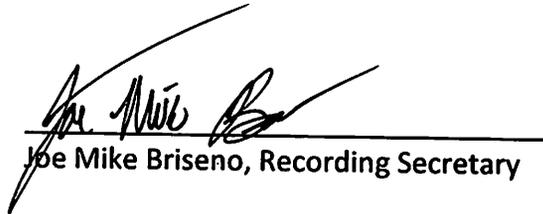
Members requested Staffing and Budget issues to be added to the next agenda along with public recognition.

Item 9: Adjournment

Dr. Crossland set the next meeting for Oct 13, 2015 at 7:00 PM. The location will be at the Public Health Department, located at 1000 Martin Road. With there being no further business to come before the board, Dr. Crossland adjourned the meeting at 8:56 p.m.



Dr. Kenneth Crossland, Chair



Joe Mike Briseno, Recording Secretary