

The Pamlico County Board of Health

Regular Meeting

Minutes of the Meeting

March 12, 2018

6:30pm

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Board of Health Members:

Present: Edward Riggs, Jr., Sheri Rettew (Chair), Michele Parish, Joshua Rose, Susan Wood, Starr Murphy

Absent: Tunmorya Bennett, Lori Altman, Anita Mayo, Jason Rose

Other Attendees: Scott Lenhart, Melanie Campen, Mary Barnes

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Meeting was called to order at 6:30.

A **motion** was made by Michele Parish and seconded by Ed Riggs Jr. to approve agenda

Minutes from February 5, 2018 were gone over a motion was made by Susan Wood to accept the minutes, Starr Murphy seconded the motion, all approved. Record of closed session from February meeting to be added.

Health Department update: none at this time. For Accreditation the numbers have to be reviewed at meetings with detailed notes when discussed.

FY 18/19 Pamlico County Health Department Budget: 7% less from last year

Revenue from state decreased 13%

County Funds 3% decrease

79% are salaries 2% increase

Operational/Supplies decrease 37%

Environmental Health issues are being handled on a case by case basis goal is to settle

OBCM paid by Carolina Access/CC4C network for Social Worker

County Funds needed to balance the budget is \$753,547 which is a 3% decrease

Decrease in WIC due to contract for Nutritionist gone

Currently for the Child Health Program, state funds pay first then cost settlement from Medicaid and then County Funds come in to play

Presenting 7% decrease to County.

General Discussion:

Concerns with New Beginnings Program and the incident with a staff member and Dr Merrill. Dr Merrill will no longer be with the program along with another personnel issue. Concerns of Hope Clinic with Medical Oversight, goal is to give the highest of standards.

Sheri states she feels the program is progressing. The dropout rate is much higher than most traditional recovery but with no incidents of Overdose. Dr Overby is now the physician for New Beginnings and will be available every other Monday. Groups will be more NA like, also partnering with Behavioral Health expert from Greene County. There is a question as to whether or not the Hope Clinic wants to continue with the Suboxone taper or to see patients after detox. Hope Clinic also wants to incorporate other meeting times. As of now there is a hold on people who are actively using, in the meantime they are being referred to group meetings and other detox centers. Their goal is to get more skilled people for the program.

Update on Environmental Health given by Melanie Campen as of right now they are working with State, at this time no new issues. Question about possible failing system in Breighmere, per Melanie they believe it to be over usage and not failing.

Health Director Comments: NA

BOH comments: NA

With no further business to discuss, Joshua Rose made a motion to adjourn, Michele Parish seconded the motion, all approved

Sheri Rettew, Chairman Board of Health

Date

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Scott Lenhart, Health Director

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Mary Barnes, Secretary

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