

BAYFIELD COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 6, 2006 at 4:30 p.m.

Present: Jim Beeksma, Marco Bichanich, Ken Jardine, Dee Kittleson, Winefred Punjak, Tom Stone
Absent: Neil Paulson
Staff: Lynn Frechette, Shellie Heglund, Amelia Lindsey

1. **Call the Meeting to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Chairman Jardine.
2. **Approval of January 30, 2006 Meeting Minutes:** A motion to approve the minutes of the January 30, 2006 meeting as presented was made by Bichanich; motion seconded by Beeksma. Motion carried.
3. **Home Care Update:**
 - Home Care Report: Frechette stated the current client census is at 13 with 2 referrals pending for this week. Home Care is currently seeing a younger age group of clients, those between the ages of 65-70 years old. Our contracted Home Health Aide with Northern Light Health Care Center only has one home care client at this time. Frechette and Lindsey were interviewed by a Northern Lights Health Care Center consultant regarding the need for assisted living Community Based Residential Facilities (CBRF's) in the Bayfield County area. Lindsey requested a copy of the final report.
 - 2006 Budget Update: The Board was given a copy of the 2006 Home Health Revenues and Expenditures. Lindsey stated that Home Care has received approximately \$21,000 in revenues as of the end of January 2006. A motion was made by Beeksma; seconded by Bichanich to accept the Home Health Revenues and Expenditures. Motion carried.
4. **Public Health Update:**
 - 2006 Budget Update: The Board was given a copy of the 2006 Public Health Revenues and Expenditures. Lindsey stated that Public Health has received approximately \$25,263 in revenues (grants) as of the end of January 2006. A motion was made by Beeksma; seconded by Bichanich to accept the Public Health Revenues and Expenditures. Motion carried.
 - Update on Public Health Positions: Lindsey will be interviewing 2 candidates for the Public Health Nurse position vacated by Elizabeth Mannik. Interviews will be held on March 9, 2006. There is still a vacancy for the summer intern position. This person will collect well water samples. Health board members are welcome to participate in the interview process.
 - ICS (Incident Command Systems) Training: The training date is April 7, 2006 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. in the EOC in the Annex Building. All members of the community have been invited, such as all town chairs, police, fire department, EMT's, along with Bayfield County Department heads and elected officials. Also invited were the three local electric companies and the local telephone companies.
 - Dental Sealant Clinics: Clinics at South Shore and Washburn schools are scheduled for April 2006.
 - Pandemic Flu Plan: Lindsey has developed a Pandemic Flu Plan for Bayfield County.
5. **Environmental Health Report:**
 - Investigate the Feasibility of Becoming an Agent for the Department of Agriculture: Lindsey is looking into contracting with the Department of Agriculture to inspect some of their facilities. Those include retail food stores, bakeries, coffee shops, convenience stores, ice cream shops, grocery stores, etc. The goal is to increase environmental health revenues and to hire another sanitarian.
 - Update of Cable Dump Site Investigation: In 2005 there were reports of illnesses in the Cable area. Houses were built on land which was previously occupied by a dye factory and dump site. The soil and ground water was tested and all tests came back negative. The Health Department attended a town meeting to let everyone know the results. At this meeting a gentleman presented a piece of "blue" dirt taken from his yard. This was tested and came back positive for methalyn blue. Three more tests were taken on wells in the area. All tests came back negative. This is a closed matter.

The federal Department of Agriculture is requiring school kitchens to be inspected two times a year for safe food handling practices. Each school kitchen is inspected annually and is charged an inspection fee. The question that needs to be addressed is should schools be charged for the second inspection and what should the amount be? Additional information will be presented at the next Board of Health meeting.

6. Combined Health and Human Services Board Discussion Update:

- Ad hoc Committee Appointments and Meeting Dates: Lindsey attending the last Human Services Board meeting and the board appointed 2 members, Clarence Henkel and Vicki Redenbaugh to the Ad hoc committee. Two more members will be appointed, one from the Health Department and one from Human Services. Lindsey is waiting for meeting dates from the County Administrator.

7. Other Projects:

- Employee Wellness Projects: Bayfield County received \$12,000 grant from our general health insurance company. Lindsey is in negotiations with the vendor for the health risk assessment program. Bayfield County continues to have a Wellness Committee. They met a few weeks ago and are working on Spring time activities.
- Obesity Prevention Activities: Lindsey is working with Bayfield, Washburn and South Shore schools on developing a physical activity policy in an effort to prevent childhood obesity.

8. Next Meeting Dates: May 8, 2006, July 17, 2006, September 11, 2006 and November 6, 2006. All meetings to be held in the County Board Room at 4:30 p.m.

9. Adjourn: A motion to adjourn was made by Bichanich; motion seconded by Beeksma. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shellie Heglund, Clerk II

cc: Mark Abeles-Allison, County Administrator
William Kacvinsky, County Board Chair
Elizabeth Skulan, Bayfield County Human Services Director