

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTIES OF POTTER AND RANDALL

CITY OF AMARILLO

On the 11th day of July 2019 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	215	191
Kevin Hawkins, Vice Chair City of Amarillo	Y	64	60
Delores Thompson Potter County	N	39	27
Judi Smith Randall County	Y	87	70
Brenda Adams Randall County	Y	7	7
Belinda Gonzales Taylor City of Amarillo	Y	52	38
Rebecca Scott, MD Potter County	Y	7	6
Mike Campbell Timbercreek	Y	1	1

Administrative Officers Present:

Casie Stoughton Director, Public Health, City of Amarillo
Carol Hill Assistant Director, Public Health, City of Amarillo
Dr. Milton Health Authority, Public Health, City of Amarillo
Margaret Payton Director, WIC, City of Amarillo
Dr. Kathryn Wrubel Director, Animal Management & Welfare, City Amarillo
Christina Fischer Animal Management & Welfare, City of Amarillo
Joe Mike Briseno Recording Secretary, Public Health, City of Amarillo

Guests Present:

None

Item 1: Call to Order and Welcome

Chairman Dr. Crossland opened the meeting at 7:06pm, established a quorum, and conducted the consideration of the following items in the order presented.

Item 2: Minutes

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

Item 3: Introduction of Guests/New Members

Mike Campbell Timbercreek

Dr. Kathryn Wrubel Director, Animal Management & Welfare, City Amarillo

Item 4: Consider: Confirmation of Deputy Health Authorities MOUs

Dr. Milton has selected Dr. Shari Medford, Dr. Ako Bradford, Dr. Steve Urban, and Dr. Susan Meikle to be Deputy Health Authorities.

Dr. Rebecca Scott made motion for Dr. Medford, Dr. Bradford, Dr. Urban, and Dr. Meikle to be confirmed as Deputy Health Authorities. Second by Kevin Hawkins. All in favor.

Item 5: Discuss and Consider: Updated Cooperative Agreement

Casie Stoughton, Director of Public Health, presented the updated Cooperative Agreement. (Attached)

- Cooperative Agreement last updated in 1997
- The members of the Bi-City-County Public Health District wish to replace the original contract with the terms of this Cooperative Agreement and continue the operation of the District under the new name, Amarillo Area Public Health District, on October 1, 2019.

Changes/Updates:

Article II. Definitions

Add a definition for "Departments"

2.5 Department: Departments providing services to the District, Public Health, Environmental Health, WIC, and Animal Management and Welfare. Each department has a separate mission and service coverage area as defined by funding and is a department in the organizational structure of the City of Amarillo.

Belinda Taylor made a motion to accept the changes in 2.5 Department. Second by Dr. Rebecca Scott. All in favor.

Article IV. Health Board

4.8 Residency. To be eligible for appointment, a Representative must currently reside in and have resided in their respective jurisdiction for at least two (2) years before the date of the Representative's appointment. A member shall be removed from the Board if they no longer meet the residency requirements.

Dr. Rebecca Scott made motion to accept the changes in 4.8. Second by Kevin Hawkins. All in favor.

Article VII. TERM OF THIS AGREEMENT

7.3 Amendments. This Agreement may be modified or amended during its term upon written agreement with a majority approval from the board, and then, the majority approval from governing bodies.

Judi Smith made a motion to accept the changes for 7.3 Amendments. Second by Belinda Taylor. All in favor.

Kevin made a motion to approve the Cooperative Agreement as amended. Second by Belinda Taylor. All in favor.

Item 6: Discussion: Topical Update from Health Authority

Dr. Milton, Health Authority of Public Health presented a topical update to the board.

- Legionnaires' disease in the community
 - Commonly a type of pneumonia
 - Legionella likes warm water
 - Most people contract the disease when they are near a water source
 - First recognized in 1976
 - Best way to screen for Legionella is with antigen urine testing.
 - All positive tests are required to be reported to the Public Health department and is followed up with an extensive investigation to find the source.

Item 7: Administrative Reports given by Departments

WIC

Margaret Payton Director, WIC, City of Amarillo, presented the department's report. (Attached)

- WIC Participation Report July 11, 2019

- April 2019 – 5,922
- May 2019 – 5,949
- June 2019 – 6,087
- Monthly Average – 5,986
- Summer Feeding: June 4, 2019 to July 6, 2019
 - 9:45am to 11:45am Lunches – 333
 - 1pm to 5pm Snacks – 807
- Grant awarded for Family Fun & Fit Nights
 - Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at the Amarillo Warford Center
 - Starts at 6:00pm
 - 45 minutes of physical activity
 - 15 minutes for turnover time to get from the gym to a classroom
 - 45 minutes for cooking demo and nutrition discussion
 - A light meal is served to participants
 - Average 15 to 20 participants each night
 - 10-week program

Public Health

Casie Stoughton, Director of Public Health, presented the Public Health report.

- Live with new EMR (Patagonia)
- New program:
 - Community and Clinical Health Bridge Grant
 - Starts November 2019
 - Work with chronic conditions and obesity
 - Texas Healthy Babies Grant
 - Purchased \$10,000.00 worth of car seats and cribs
 - Health Planner is working on a plan to distribute the car seats and cribs
- Preparing for Back to School Clinics
- Communicable Disease Program
 - Working with interns from Texas Tech
 - 3 team members from Public Health have worked on 2,075 investigation cases

Animal Management and Welfare

Dr. Kathryn Wrubel, Director of Animal Management & Welfare and Christina Fischer presented the Animal Management & Welfare report.

- Numbers are lower
 - Staffing shortage for field officers
 - Run priority calls
 - Working hard to recruit new staff members
 - Currently have 5 Animal Control Officers
 - Supervisors are running calls
 - New recruiting methods
 - Adoptions have decreased, but is typical around this time of year

- Positive rabies cases have decreased
- Applied for a Pet Retention grant through Pets Marts Charities
 - Micro chipping event at El Alamo Park
 - Every two months the program goes out to Tent City and other homeless concentration camps to offer free services for their pets
 - Next event: August 7, 2019
 - Free spay and neuter vouchers
 - Vaccines
 - Deworming
 - Collars
 - Flea and tick prevention
- New Director for Animal Management & Welfare
 - Dr. Kathryn Wrubel
- Staffing
 - Animal Control Officers – Authorized for 14 officers and 2 supervisors
 - Currently have 5 officers and 2 supervisors

Item 8: Public Forum

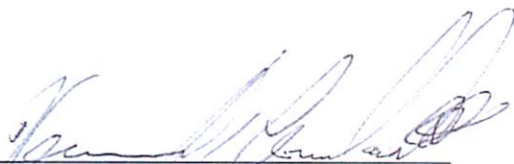
There were no comments from interested citizens on matters directly pertaining to policies, programs or services of the Amarillo Bi-City-County Public Health District Board.

Item 9: Discuss Items for Future Agendas

Members requested reports and new updates from all departments. Next regular meeting: Thursday, October 10, 2019 at 7:00PM Public Health conference room, 1000 Martin Rd.

Item 10: Adjournment

Dr. Crossland set the next meeting for October 10, 2019 at 7:00PM. 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 8:46PM.



Dr. Kenneth Crossland, Chair



Joe Mike Briseno, Recording Secretary