

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH OF THE CITY OF CUDAHY HELD AT THE MUNICIPAL
BUILDING, 5050 SOUTH LAKE DRIVE, CUDAHY, WI ON TUESDAY,
February 28, 2012

ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 PM by Chairman Ponec with the following members present: Gerald Ponec, Dr. Sherman, and Dr. Johnson. Absent and excused: Lynn Damitz, Neal White, and Ald. Mary Schissel. Absent: Kimberly Whitmore, Robert Grams.
Also present: Mayor Day and Acting Health Officer Annette Schmidt.

OPENING STATEMENT

The proper opening statement was read.

APPROVE MINUTES

Moved by Dr. Johnson, seconded by Dr. Sherman to approve the minutes of the November 22, 2011 meeting.

All voting in favor.

HEALTH OFFICER REPORT

1. Health Officer's Position

The candidate for the position declined the position, citing salary offered by the City. The position has been reposted with a March 30, 2012 deadline for application.

2. Pertussis (Whooping Cough)

Occurrence remains elevated through most of the State. The Northeastern region of the state is most affected, followed by the Southeastern region.

Wisconsin conducted 253 Pertussis investigations as of 2/3/12 with cough onset after 1/1/12.

There was a laboratory confirmed case of Pertussis in early February at Cudahy High School. The student was fully immunized for Pertussis. Her family received appropriate preventive antibiotics. Letters were sent to Cudahy High School parents. The student also attended Bally's Fitness in Cudahy while she was contagious. Bally's Fitness posted appropriate notification.

Surrounding local health departments were notified of the possible exposure at Bally's. Secondary cases could be seen between 2/7/12 – 3/17/12.

3. Flu

Influenza and influenza-like illness remain low and lower than the baseline for the State and region.

4. Suspected Norovirus Illness

There was a suspected norovirus illness at General Mitchell School on 12/15/12. Affected were 14 students: 7 in 1st grade, 4 in K5, 1 in 2nd grade and 2 in 5th grade. There were no events with share meals, or sick workers, but the 1st grade and K5 use the same lavatory. The Sanitarian consulted with custodian and appropriate cleaning measures were taken. The following Monday school attendance had returned to normal.

5. School District Nurse

The public health nurse hours worked at the school district has been increased from 20 to 25 hours per week effective March 5th, 2012 to the end of the school year. This was done to increase revenue, allowing a more competitive salary for the health officer position. The contract indicates that if emergencies arise at the health department the department may call the nurse back.

Moved by Dr. Johnson, seconded by Dr. Sherman to accept the Health Officer's report.

All voting in favor.

Other Business

1. Diabetes Alert Day

The Cudahy Lion's Club is hosting an information booth on Tuesday, March 27th, 2012 from noon to 4:00 pm at the Cudahy Family Library. This will be posted in the Cudahy Now and the city website.

2. Car Seat Safety Program

The 1000th car seat was installed through the Cudahy Health Department's Car Seat Safety Program. An article will be submitted regarding this accomplishment to the city website and the Wisconsin Lion's Club Newsletter.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 27, 2012 at 6:15 PM.

ADJOURN

Moved by Dr. Sherman, seconded by Dr Johnson to adjourn (6:50 PM).

All voting in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Annette Schmidt RN, Acting Health Officer