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BOARD OF HEALTH  
SEPTEMBER 16, 2016, 12:00 NOON**

**Present:** Dinah Goldenberg, Chelsey Matter, Arland Rasmussen, and Mike Thorstad

**Absent:** Chris Anderson, MD; and John Strand,

**Others Present:** Larry Anenson, John Baird, MD; Justin Bohrer, Desi Fleming, Jan Eliassen, Leah Gustafson-MSUM Student, Grant Larson, Robyn Litke-Sall, Melissa Perala, and Ruth Roman

Dinah Goldenberg, Chair called the meeting to order.

**Announcements:** Tobacco Tax was added to the Agenda.

**Approve minutes:** Arland Rasmussen made a motion to approve the August 19, 2016 meeting minutes. Chelsey Matter seconded and motion carried.

**Budget Report:** Melissa circulated a new copy of the expense report. All the grants are behind and slowly getting caught up. Emergency preparedness spent out their grant in June.

**Accreditation Update, Community Health Assessment (CHA):** Ruth said that we have been historically doing annual updates on our data and a CHA snapshot. Four years ago we did our first formal community assessment. Now we will build a Community Health Improvement Plan based off of the data from the assessment. Justin Bohrer said the report was emailed and then went through each section of the CHA and described how all the data was collected. Highlighted medium gross rent, health insurance coverage and outcomes, causes of death, youth data on binge drinking, E-Cigs, obesity, and health screening rates. Dr. Baird questioned if we have set any goals. Justin said the improvement plans will help set the goals. Also discussed homelessness and how unsheltered data has been captured through Point In Time counts, crime rate, and new American settlements. The CHA will have active hyperlinks on the web site for all data sources. Ruth said that this will go up on the website for the community to use and will guide our next steps.

**Opioid Community Mobilization:** Robyn Litke Sall gave a power point presentation on what is currently available and what we have in the works. Main topics were model programs, local resources, funding, what she is working on and upcoming events. We are working on an assessment, identifying/creating an information hub, Naloxone training at FCPH, and medication assisted treatment. There is a company coming into the city this week to look at potential medication assisted treatment center properties. The largest road block in our community is not having medication assistance treatment. Dinah thanked Robyn and asked for a copy to be emailed. Ruth questioned Chelsey what is insurance payment for the medication assisted treatment. Any thoughts on where we will be going and as long it is medically appropriate it will be covered. Working on payment with Medical Assistance. Dr. Baird asked if Naloxone is covered if it is medically necessary. Might not be for the person who is buying it. Would a family have a way to cover the cost for that when it is done on a standing order. If they had insurance would it be covered. Chelsey said there is a BC/BS association and there is a task force as well. Ruth we could have parents could go in to get Naloxone for a child but the child would not have insurance. Dr. Baird, if you have someone who can talk to Robyn that would be good for connections. Ruth said we are going to keep this on the agenda.

**Environmental Health Proposed License and Fee Structure:** Grant just gave a quick update. Name will be Tier one, tier two, and tier 3 instead of risk. Fees stayed the same. Gave schools a heads up on increased fees and would assess on academic school year. Was on City Commission September 12 and will move forward at the Commission meeting September 26. Did discuss a law suit for a failed septic system in Davenport. We are going to work with the lawyers in small claims court.

**Tobacco Tax:** Ruth, the tobacco tax will be on the ballot in November. Advocacy and education is always important from all of us. Discussed Letter to Editor from Board, radio spots, and development of talking points.

**Adjournment:** Next Meeting October 21, 2016, 12:00 am at City Commission Chambers.

Respectfully submitted,

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