

**Sampson County Health Department Advisory Committee Minutes
June 18, 2018**

Member Attendance: Dr. Jeffrey Bell, Paul Bradshaw, Dr. Beth Bryan, Robert Butler, Charlotte Harrell, Linda Heath, Jacqueline Howard, Chair, Allie Ray McCullen and Commissioner Harry Parker.

SCHD staff attendance: Wanda Robinson, Tamra Jones, Annie Fennell, Perry Solice.

Administration staff attendance: Edwin Causey, Susan Holder

I. Call to Order:

Jacqueline Howard, Chair call the Advisory Committee meeting to order.

II. Invocation:

III. Approval of Minutes:

- a. April 16, 2018 minutes - motion made by Linda Peterson to approve April 16, 2018 minutes as presented and second made by Charlotte Harrell. All in favor. Motion carried.
- b. May 14, 2018 Dangerous Dog Hearing Appeal minutes: -motion made by Dr. Beth Bryan to approve minutes as presented and second made by Robert Butler. All in favor. Motion carried.

IV. Additions/Deletions to agenda:

No additions/deletions.

V. Clinic Report:

Wanda Robinson reported on changes with Communicable Diseases Orders. See attached handout. Reviewed points 1, 2 and 3. Discussed how the changes effects the way the Health Department does business with Isolation orders. Patient's will have to prove they are under care and are suppressed.

VI. EH Report:

Handouts: NC Food Code Manual-Prohibiting Animals; Frequently Asked Questions about Service Animals and the ADA.

Frequently Asked Questions about Service Animals and the ADA:

Perry Solice reviewed and discussed the above handout. Public does not understand definition of a service animal. Service animal must be trained to perform a specific action(s). Emotional support animals are not considered service animals. Anxiety attacks-service animals that have been trained to sense an anxiety attack is about to happen and take a specific action to avoid or lessen the attack would be considered as a service animal. Restaurants or food establishments are allowed to ask only certain questions regarding in determining if is a true service animal. Service animal must remain on the floor. Service animals are allowed to go through a salad bar or other self-service food line. Service animals do not have to wear vest or harness. Service animals do not have to be certified or registered, but must be vaccinated. Service animal may be any breed of dog.

NC. Food Code Manual-Prohibiting Animals:

Perry Solice reviewed and discussed above handout. This is the code that Environmental Health follows. Issue reported of local restaurant employee feeding a dog food from the drive thru window. Question was asked are biggest complaints of dogs in food places. Perry responded, "Yes." Comment made that Social Services has had issues with people bringing animals into department that were not service animals-animals were not permitted to stay within department.

Discussion from committee members. Situation with services dogs will get worse. It will be hard to determine if the animal is a service dog due to inability to require papers.

Question was asked if anything going to restaurants about what the rules. May need to have restaurants post signs Service Animals Only. Request was made for Perry to do an article to define and explain about service dogs.

Commissioner Parker questioned, if there was anything else Perry-EH can do? Wanda's response, Person can be sighted if do is on the table or eating from plates. Perry's response, 911 can be called for a deputy to come and escort out of restaurant.

VII. Dangerous Dog Ordinance Review:

Handout: Animal Control Ordinance of Sampson County.

Wanda Robinson reviewed and discussed the above handout. The ordinance is the guiding principle. We may want to have the county attorney look at page 15, article 3. On page 16 – Dangerous/Potentially Dangerous. The dog did not bite anyone, but did run out. The differences are vague and hard to walk through. Potentially Dangerous finding is treated as Dangerous. Linda Heath – noted the differentiation was ambiguous. On page 18, Section 1-33 letter a: she does not see they should take a potentially dangerous dog from their owner. Robert Butler asked if the dog was not considered dangerous until deemed dangerous by the board. Wanda clarified the determination is made by animal control and only the contested ones come to the board. Dr. Bryan stated as a question – So the officer deems the animal dangerous? Mrs. Howard noted the verbiage of feeling fearful of a bite is too close to dangerous. Wanda clarified that is when the board has to listen to both sides and decide based on what is presented. Mr. Parker stated – Dogs growl and show their teeth. Different breeds do certain things. Mr. Butler asked when is it dangerous if they are doing what their breed does. Linda Heath questioned why owners could not be held more accountable. Page 20 needs input from Joel. Can we not deem dangerous, but require dog to be kept indoors, on a leash, etc. If the dog breaks the stipulations, then dog owner could be fined. Wanda said that is where we can get into trouble. Linda Heath went on to say, on page 23 – if the dog is taken to animal control, animal control should be responsible. The dog should not have gotten out. Dr. Bryan said, owners are not being responsible, dog should not be wandering. Susan Holder called attention to the fee schedule in the ordinance. On the last page, the board could ask them to enforce fees. Wand said, we never know the violations they are citing – she doesn't remember it being in the report. Mr. Parker said all we have to go by is the investigation. Wanda would like Susan Holder to ask Joel to give some guidance – after July, Joel will be attending all meetings per Susan Holder. Mr. Butler asked if there was a difference between dangerous and potentially dangerous. Do they get the same results in the end? Wanda said a bite is the difference. Dr. Bryan asked why it matters if they are dangerous or potentially dangerous if there is the same outcome. Susan said, it is language in the general statue. Wanda suggested to wait for more clarification from Joel. Board members mentioned it would be good to meet prior to

the next dangerous dog meeting to go over the rules. It was also suggested the animal control officer needs to be at meetings from now on. Mr. Causey asked that detailed questions be sent to Joel so he could look over them and prepare.

VIII. Financial Report:

Tamra Jones reviewed handouts of Activity Summary for FY 2017-2018; Medicaid Revenues; Medicaid Revenue chart; Local Revenues and Local Revenue chart, and EH Local Revenue chart.

IX. New Fee approval:

Request to add Shingrix (Zoster Vaccine) Code 90750 new fee \$175.00 and Smear, Wet Mount Code 87210 fee \$12.00. Discussion- Charlotte Harrell and Dr. Bryan stated that the Shingrix is the better of the two Zoster Vaccines. Once Shingrix is approved, we will be able to order and offer vaccine. Motion made by Paul Bradshaw to accept new Shingrix code and fee and add Smear, Wet Mount Code back to fee schedule.

X. Rural Health Grant Approval:

Awarded \$150,000 grant for next 3 years. These funds will help fill the gaps and will be used for salaries, medical supplies and other things. We waiting on the paperwork hope to have by Board of Commissioner's meeting scheduled for July. Motion made by Dr. Elizabeth Bryan to accept the Rural Health Grant funds; seconded by Dr. Jeffery Bell. All in favor. Motion carried.

XI. Health Directors Report:

a. 2018 County Health Rankings

Wanda reviewed pages 12 and 13 of the booklet handout for 2018 County Health Rankings. Sampson County out of 100 county ranks 79th in Health Outcomes and 82nd in Health Factors.

b. 2018 Child Health Report

See handout attached. Wanda discussed 2018 NC Data Card. Sampson County is in the highest percent for Teen births. Children in Foster Care: 65% of children in foster care for Sampson County due to parent's substance abuse.

c. Opioid Conference:

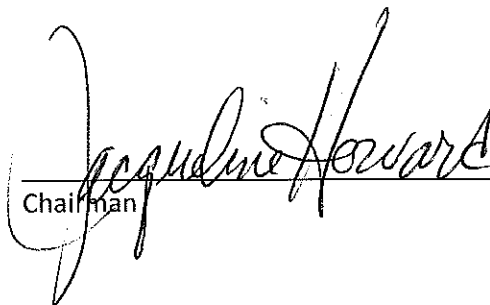
Opioid Conference is scheduled for September 12th 10 am to 2 pm at the Civic Center. Hoping for 500 people to attend. Sampson County has an opioid problem.

XII. Public Comment:

No Public Comment.

XIII. Adjournment:

Motion made by Robert Butler to adjourn meeting, seconded by Paul Bradshaw. All in favor. Motion carried.


Chairman _____ Date 8/20/18 Secretary Wanda Felton Date 8/20/18