# **Wheeling-Ohio County Board of Health**

Minutes of November 09, 2021, regular meeting

The Wheeling - Ohio County Board of Health met on November 09, 2021, at 12:00pm in the City/County Building, City Council Chambers, Wheeling West Virginia.

Board members present were Dr. John Holloway, Elisabeth Slater, Dr. Mathew Wood, Laura Chapman, and Chad Thalman. Staff present included Howard Gamble, Administrator of the Wheeling-Ohio County Health Department and County Health Officer Dr. William S. Przybysz.

The meeting was called to order by Board of Health Chairman Dr. John Holloway.

Minutes of the September 14, 2021, Board of Health meeting were distributed to members prior to the meeting. Minutes were approved.

The Board of Health Chair lead a discussion on a Board of Health COVID vaccination statement. A motion was made and approved that a statement will be drafted by the Board Chair, distributed to Board members, and released to the public.

The Health Officer gave a short update on COVID-19, including the department's vaccination efforts and an update on Project HOPE and issue with the area's homeless population.

The administrator gave a report of department programs and services as well as a short update on COVID activities in Ohio County.

A financial report was not presented to the Board. The Board was presented with two new policies.

## • WOCHD Vehicle Policy

 Policy was modified from other county health department and governmental agency policies on vehicles and use of vehicles. The policy is needed due to the addition of vehicles and equipment at the health department.

## • WOCHD Incentive Policy

 The policy was presented by the Administrator. The department was awarded (grant approval pending) a grant that would allow the agency to give a \$3815 incentive to all active health department employees. Policy is also proposed to handle future incentive actions with our HD and WIC programs.

The Administrator reviewed recent Ohio County Board of Education action concerning quarantine and isolation for public school staff and students.

The administrator gave an update of the department's annual financial audit. Perry and Associates did come to the department and online to complete the annual audit. A final audit report is expected by the next Board of Health meeting.

With no other business before the Board, the Board moved for adjournment. The next regular Board of Health meeting is scheduled for January 11, 2022.

## **SUBMITTED BY**

## **APPROVED BY**

William S. Przybysz, MD, Health Officer January 11, 2022

John D Holloway, MD, Board Chairman January 11, 2022