

### HEALTH BOARD MEETING

The regular quarterly meeting of the Health Board met at noon on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at the Joplin City Health Department. The following members were present: Kathy Bridges, RN, Ben Leavens, DVM, Bob Tyler, DO, Enrico Esguerra, MD. Member absent: Aaron Rice.

A motion was made by Dr Tyler and seconded by Dr Leavens to approve minutes from previous two meetings. All were in favor.

First order of business was a discussion of three policy changes for the department.

First policy change was regarding unauthorized pictures or recordings within the Health Department facilities. After speaking with our HIPPA consultant, it was recommended to add this policy to restrict unauthorized pictures or recordings, without patient or facility consent, within our department due to privacy issues for patients and staff.

Second policy change was to up-date the tobacco use policy for the department. This included the wording to also not allow the use of electronic smoking devices within the Health Department or any city property.

Third change was to create an Injured/Ill Animal Policy. This policy needed to be created due to the closing of the Emergency Vet Clinic that was used for injured animals on our after-hours or weekend emergency call-outs. Dan is working with Dr Leavens to determine a way for the animal wardens to evaluate an injured animal for care under these emergency situations. Information was handed out regarding the Glasgow method for evaluation of dogs and cats that could be used for this purpose. Discussion of the method analysis was provided by Dr Leavens.

After hearing all three policy changes recommended, Dr Leavens made a motion to accept the changes and Dr Esguerra seconded. All approved.

Next order of business was a review of the Swimming Pool Code that was recently changed. Under the new changes, the health department will only be involved in the operational side of the swimming pool code. The Building Department will be responsible for the constructional side of swimming pools.

Dan did an up-date on the Community Health Assessment progress. Data is currently being processed and recorded. Will have better information at next meeting.

Last order of business was a presentation by Dan regarding the new See-Click -Fix app that the city has recently put in place. This app allows the public to enter complaints for all areas of the city operations. Examples of how it works were shown.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned.

Approved: Ben Co

Date: 5/21/15

Submitted by: Mary Lee White