HEALTH COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES October 21, 2009

County Board Members in attendance: Ken Iverson, Ron Severson, Jeremy Ly, Ann Gill, Greg Redford

County Employees in attendance: Denise Kasper, Susan Bates

Public Health Members in attendance: Kay Lynn Shoemaker, Dian Brown,

Chris O'Brien, Barb Thetard

Guests: Eric Dippon

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Call to Order: R. Severson called the meeting to order at 4:32 pm.

Approval of Agenda: G. Redford motioned to approve the October 21, 2009 agenda as presented. A. Gill seconded. Motion carried.

Review of Minutes: The Health Committee minutes from September 16, 2009 were presented to be put on file for the November's County Board meeting. The Board of Health unapproved minutes from September 16, 2009, were reviewed. A. Gill made a motion to accept the health committee minutes from September 16, 2009, G. Redford seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Eric Dippon, Environmental Manager, from Environtech addressed the Board on how ground water is monitored. R. Severson asked how many wells there are on site. Eric stated according to plans there were 4 wells on the site. Three of the wells were over drilled and grouted out. One of the wells is unknown location. Eric stated there are 13 monitoring wells on site that are tested and reported to the State twice a year. The state conducts random surprise inspections quarterly on the landfill. Testing and analyzing of samples taken are both done by outside private companies. Sodium and boron, which are both naturally occurring, were the two contaminates that tested higher than recommended level in the 3 private wells tested around the landfill, but all landfill monitoring samples have meet I.E.P.A. level standards.

Administrator's Report: K. Shoemaker gave the Public Health Administrator's report for October. Motion to approve report made by K. Iverson and seconded by J. Ly. Motion carried.

Cash Receipts / Financial Report: K. Shoemaker reviewed the cash receipts for September 2009. Motion to approve report made by J. Ly and seconded by K. Iverson. Motion carried. K. Shoemaker reviewed the expenses for the month. Motion to approve report made by J. Ly and seconded by K. Iverson. Motion carried.

Approval of Claims: K. Shoemaker distributed October 2009 claims for review. Committee members reviewed the vouchers pending Board of Health approval.

Other Business

Landfill/EPA Update: The I.E.P.A. (Illinois Environmental Protection Agency) were at October's County Board meeting to answer questions.

EPA Letter: Lisa Kneller, Solid Waste and Chris O'Brien, Interim E.H. Director are working together with the I.E.P.A. on the Environtech Landfill testing results.

E.H. Director position: This position needs a L.E.H.P. (Licensed Environmental Health Practioner) on staff. There are no minimum hour requirements. They need to be able to supervise staff and review charts. K. Shoemaker will be taking this to the Board of Health to determine amount of hours to post position for.

Director of Nursing position: K. Shoemaker conducted 3 interviews out of 5 applicants for this position. She will be going to the Board of Health tonight with her recommendation.

H1N1 Update: The H1N1 vaccine was ordered last August. We still do not have any H1N1 vaccine to date. We are also out of adult seasonal vaccine. We do have a small amount of childrens vaccine for ages 6 months to 18 years of age. Doctor's offices and pharmacy's have been calling the health department for vaccine since there was confusion on the ordering process back in August and they are now directed to go through the health department. Since the president has declared a "National Emergency" it opens up the scope of who is able to administer the vaccine.

Adjournment: Motion made by A. Gill and seconded by G. Redford to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 5:17 p.m.

As recorded by Dian Brown Edited by Kay Lynn Shoemaker