

TOOELE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
July 22, 2014

PRESENT:

Board: Kathy Taylor, Angelo Maratta, Commissioner Jerry Hurst, Dennis Rockwell, Tom Tripp, Lynn Falkner

Staff: Myron Bateman, Jeff Coombs, Amy Bate, Kim Clausing, Linda Reid

Excused: Mayor Mark Whitney, Lamar Melville

TOPIC	DISCUSSION/FINDINGS	RECOMMENDATIONS/ACTIONS
Welcome	Kathy Taylor called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and welcomed everyone to the meeting. She thanked everyone for attending at such a busy time of year for this special meeting.	
Proposed E-Cigarette Regulation <i>Jeff Coombs</i>	<p>Jeff welcomed Amy and Kim, TCHD Health Educators, to the meeting. They have put together the e-cigarette draft regulation for Tooele County. There was a consensus among the Local Health Officers in the State to adopt some standard regulations together regarding e-cigarettes since the FDA will not be making regulations for standardization any time soon.</p> <p>What we are proposing is to regulate the liquid (content or juice as it is sometimes called). We're not regulating pre-manufactured cartridges made by large national brands as they are already regulated. Individuals are making it in their homes and selling it at some of the local stores.</p> <p>TCHD held a meeting with local businesses that sell e-cigarettes last week. These businesses do not want to sell inferior products. There is a big concern with percentage of nicotine in the liquid. Nicotine can be absorbed through the skin and cause serious injury, especially in children.</p>	Angelo made a motion that the draft proposed e-cigarette regulation be put out for a 30 day public hearing. Jerry seconded the motion, all concurred and the motion passed. Board of Health Chair appointed Jeff as Hearing Officer.

	<p>The summary of the proposed regulation covers packaging, labeling, and needs to be child-proof and leak-proof. The nicotine level needs to be stated on the package and the maximum level is 3.6%. Vendors need to be educated. There will be no advertising e-cigarettes as a smoking cessation device. Youth access will be restricted. They cannot sell to anyone under the age of 19. The regulations cover people who want to manufacture it. They would have to get a permit from TCHD and follow sanitation and safety operation standards to do so.</p> <p>Attached is the draft Health Regulation #18, Electronic Smoking Device Regulation for review along with a one-page bullet overview of the regulation.</p>	
<p>Proposed TCHD Employee Immunization Policy <i>Jeff Coombs</i></p>	<p>The State of Utah is trying to unify health departments. Since public health is front line in responding to outbreaks, employees should be vaccinated to protect the employee and protect the public. We are in the business of prevention. We are updating the current policy with recommended vaccines and required vaccines depending upon the job. An employee can apply for exemption for medical or religious reasons but must be approved by the Health Officer. We will have employee exemption on file. If there is an outbreak, then that employee will be prohibited from work by using their leave or be reassigned to low-risk work.</p> <p>Tom Tripp thinks that anyone employed should not be able to opt out. If they want to work here then they are immunized and it should be a condition of employment. Jeff Coombs stated concern with violation of civil liberties and the possibility of legal recourse that could become very costly.</p>	<p>Tom Tripp made a motion to amend the policy for no employee exemptions for immunizations. No one seconded the motion.</p> <p>Kathy made a motion to look into what the liabilities would be to amend the policy of anyone hired to not have an option to opt out of being immunized before adopting the new draft employee immunization policy. Angelo seconded the motion, all concurred and the motion passed.</p>
<p>UPCOMING EVENTS</p>	<p>Myron informed the Board that NALBOH would like one person from the Board to attend the conference in</p>	

	<p>Milwaukee, Wisconsin August 13-15.</p> <p>Kathy encouraged the Board to attend the UALBOH symposium at Daniels Summit on Sept 18-19. One night's room, mileage, registration fees & some meals will be paid for members to attend or reimbursed.</p> <p>Please let Linda Reid know if you would be interested in attending either of these and we will make the necessary arrangements.</p>	
Next Meeting	Tuesday September 30, 2014, 7:00 p.m. at TCHD in room 280.	
Adjourn	Kathy declared the meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.	

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ATTACHMENTS:

- Draft – Health Regulation #18, Electronic Smoking Device Regulation
- Draft - Tooele County Health Department Employee Vaccinations Policy
- Draft – TCHD Employee Vaccination Statement
- Draft – TCHD Employee Immunization Exemption Application