

**Monday, January 17, 2023**

**Board:**

**Commissioner Handy, Chairman**

**Commissioner Swannack**

**Commissioner Largent**

**Craig VanTine, Community Stakeholder**

**Kara Bates, representing Public Health, Health Care Facilities and Providers**

**3:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m. – Convene/Board of Health (Auditorium/Zoom)**

**Attendees:** Chris Skidmore, Corrinne McMichael, Dr. Bowman and all Board Members.

1. Health Officer Update from Chris Skidmore
  - COVID cases have stabilized with the current case rate being 28 per 100,000.
  - RSV and Influenza cases have dropped off and with the decline of RSV cases, pediatric beds have opened up.
  - The Public Health Resource Guide is out and proving to be a success. Kudos to Corrine McMichael for her hard work.
  - Personal and Family Health Programs are underway including the Safe Kids Program that provides car seats and a planned Bike Rodeo.
  - The Health Department with the Parks department would like to hold a Water Program that would supply free life vests to children
  - The WIC Program has seen decline in use and with the newly hired representative, the hope is participation will ramp up.
    - The WIC program is open to the Public however since the beginning of COVID has only been offered online.
2. Environmental Health Update from Corrine McMichael and Chris Skidmore
  - TB tests and immunizations are being offered to both adults and children however the barrier seems to be transportation.
  - Mr. VanTine reminded all that Boost is available
  - The new website is up and running and doing well.
3. HIPAA Update – Nothing to update
4. Administrative Update from Chris Skidmore
  - Two new employees have joined the Health Department, a WIC Representative and a Health Trainer
  - An additional part time nurse will be requested in the future
  - The Health Department is hoping for a remodel/update of the Colfax office
5. Miscellaneous
  - Behavioral Health issues are based on the lack of counselors and during the pandemic this was highlighted. This is a nationwide issue
  - Chris and Corrinne will be doing some leadership development class in the near future.
6. Adjournment/Next Board of Health Meeting: Monday March 20, 2023