



**ABSENT:** Joseph Brennan James Gensel, PE  
Ken Sobel, MD

## 2. FINANCIAL REPORT

Harry Shepard referred to the report for financial activities through the end of December 2017 that was distributed at the meeting and which was an updated version from the one distributed to the CCBH in advance of the meeting. He commented that this is the final report for 2017 that he will be providing. The Treasurer has not yet closed out 2017 but there won't be any changes for the CCHD. There were no questions for Mr. Shepard.

**RESOLUTION:** A motion was made by Dr. Howard and seconded by Dr. Delaney that the Final 2017 Financial Report as provided by Mr. Shepard be approved and accepted as presented. **Motion approved.**

**AYES:** Gregory Schultz, MD Mari Delaney, DVM  
Rosemary Anthony, RN Kevin Wicks, DDS  
Mary Ann Baker, RN William G. Howard, MD

**NAYES:** None

**ABSENT:** Joseph Brennan James Gensel, PE  
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## 3. SERVICES REPORTS

**A. ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES** – Thomas Kump mentioned that there were reports for January, February, and March 2018 sent to BOH members in advance of the meeting. He had nothing to add to what was presented in the written reports. A question was raised as to why one of the fines on the Stipulation offers was so high. Mr. Kump explained that in this particular case, there were repeat violations for multiple violations. Another question was raised as to the education efforts taken to address these serious violations since the bulk of them appear to deal with food temperatures. Mr. Kump discussed the efforts take by the Sanitarians during inspections to provide training as well as satisfying any special request for training that is received from an FSE operator. He added that there is a section under NYS Public Health Law that requires training, but that until the Commissioner of NYSDOH actually promulgates regulations, the law is not enforceable by local health departments. There were no further questions for Mr. Kump.

**B. PROFESSIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC) REPORT** – Included in the minutes from the last Professional Advisory Committee meeting were reports for both Public Health as well as the Home Health Agency. Rebecca Becraft reviewed the Public Health report. She discussed some of the issues that have arisen with the

new policy on the “use of expedited partner therapy” in the STD clinic. Ms. Becraft touched on the QI/QA program as well as the fact that Chemung County has finally been declared a “sentinel” county for Lyme disease. This declaration will cut down on the workload associated with that disease as they will now only need to conduct full follow-up on about 20% of the cases received. She stated that the influenza cases have peaked and we are now seeing a large drop in the number of new cases. The most recent report from NYS indicated that there have been a total of 433 cases this season including 5 pediatric deaths in NYS. Ms. Becraft reported that the County will be conducting a POD (Point of Dispensing) Drill on April 26, 2018 at the Health Department. Steuben County just had there similar drill today which had some good coverage in the news. The purpose of the drill is to test the capability of vaccinating a large number of people in a small period of time with little advance notice. The scenario that Steuben County was given was that there was a Hepatitis A outbreak. The goal for Chemung County will be to provide vaccinations to about 250 in a 2-hour period while utilizing the CDMS online system through the HCS. Finally, Ms. Becraft mentioned the new initiative with regard to lead testing children that come to the Health Department for the WIC program. A procedure was developed with input from many involved players that will satisfy federal WIC guidelines as well as privacy and HIPAA concerns. Since the program’s start in December there have been 26 children tested for lead that would not otherwise been tested. There were no questions for Ms. Becraft. Lisa Buckley commented on the Home Health Agency report within the minutes. She discussed the staffing status as well as the recent transition to Clinical Explorer for the EMR (electronic medical records). Ms. Buckley discussed the recent Coalition Surge Test Exercise that involved the AOMC needing to evacuate all patients and then determining the capability of other agencies to accept the evacuated patients. She discussed the latest on the Quality and Process measures and one complaint and one incident that were addressed since the last report. There were no further questions for Ms. Buckley.

**4. DIRECTOR’S REPORT** – Peter Buzzetti commented on the written report that was provided to the CCBH prior to the meeting. There is an update to the information provided in the written report regarding Purchasing Agreements. Mr. Buzzetti learned since the original report was prepared that an agreement was reached among the County Attorney and Legislative Attorney and that the Legislature has approved the Health Department to participate in the same buying group with the Chemung County Nursing Facility as it has for the past 16 years. There were no further questions for Mr. Buzzetti.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**1. CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING IN ELMIRA** – Mr. Buzzetti updated the CCBH on the progress that has been made since the last CCBH meeting with regard to the Lead Coalition and the Lead Working Group. The minutes of the meetings held January through March of this year were provided to the CCBH in advance of the meeting. A good solid core has been established and they have been getting great attendance at the meetings. The full Coalition is scheduled to meet this Thursday, April 12, 2018. One of the next

items the Coalition wants to address is the creation of a Mission and Vision Statement. This will be important moving forward as an educational campaign is created to move forward with some of the discussed initiatives. There has been great cooperation from the City of Elmira from the Building Code Department all the way up to the City Manager.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**1. RECOGNITION OF DR. LAMBERT’S SERVICE TO THE BOARD OF HEALTH** – Mr. Buzzetti commented that it would be very appropriate for the CCBH to consider a resolution honoring Dr. Lambert for his many, many years of dedicated service to the County through his membership on the Chemung County Board of Health. He has served on multiple occasions as both President and Vice President of the CCBH and has asked many great questions and provided much thoughtful opinions to help guide the Health Department over his 30 years on the CCBH.

**RESOLUTION:** A motion was made by the Board as a Whole and seconded by the Board as a Whole that,  
Whereas, Robert Lambert, MD was appointed to the Chemung County Board of Health by the Chemung County Legislature on March 9, 1988, and  
Whereas, Dr. Lambert has faithfully and selflessly devoted many hours of service to the citizens of Chemung County through his many appointed terms on the Chemung County Board of Health, and  
Whereas, Dr. Lambert has provided much sage guidance and direction over the years, and  
Whereas, Dr. Lambert has served at least three 2-year terms as President and Vice President of the Board of Health during his tenure on the Board, therefore be it,  
Resolved, that the Chemung County Board of Health proclaims its sincerest thanks and appreciation to Robert Lambert, MD for his 30 years of dedicated service on the Chemung County Board of Health, and furthermore, and be it further  
Resolved, that the Chemung County Board of Health submits this resolution to the Chemung County Legislature for consideration of a similar resolution of commendation upon Dr. Lambert. **Motion approved.**

<b>AYES:</b>	Gregory Schultz, MD Rosemary Anthony, RN Mary Ann Baker, RN	Mari Delaney, DVM Kevin Wicks, DDS William G. Howard, MD
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**NAYES:** None

<b>ABSENT:</b>	Joseph Brennan Ken Sobel, MD	James Gensel, PE
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**2. REPLACEMENT FOR DR. LAMBERT ON THE BOARD OF HEALTH**– Mr. Buzzetti surveyed the CCBH to seek suggestions for seeking a replacement for the vacancy created on the CCBH with the departure of Dr. Lambert. President Schultz will canvass some

potential candidates to seek whether there is any interest to serve on the Chemung County Board of Health at the discretion of the County Executive and County Legislature.

**3. COUNTY HEALTH RANKINGS REPORT 2018** – Mr. Buzzetti mentioned that the 2018 County Health Rankings have been released and a summary report was provided to the CCBH in advance of the meeting. In general, there has been great improvement in Chemung County’s ranking which in part is due to the many efforts put forth by staff at the CCHD along with the collaborations that the CCHD has with many other agencies in our county. While much has been accomplished, there is still a lot to be done. It was pointed out that the data used for this report is several years old, so the most recent efforts and initiatives that we have been working on are probably not even reflected in this report and won’t be for a few years into the future. It was also noted that there are some of the ranking factors that are beyond the reach of what the CCHD can impact. Regardless, this is certainly good news for our county and drive us to continue with the efforts we are making for continual improvement in as many factors as we can affect.

**4. POINT OF DISPENSING (POD) DRILL** – Mr. Buzzetti commented that this was already addressed earlier in the meeting as part of the Professional Advisory Committee Report. There was no further discussion or questions on this topic.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to conduct, President Schultz requested a motion to adjourn.

**RESOLUTION:** A motion was made by Dr. Howard and seconded by Dr. Delaney that the April 10, 2018 meeting of the Chemung County Board of Health be adjourned.  
**Motion approved.**

<b>AYES:</b>	Gregory Schultz, MD Rosemary Anthony, RN Mary Ann Baker, RN	Mari Delaney, DVM Kevin Wicks, DDS William G. Howard, MD
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**NAYES:** None

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The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:25 PM.

### **Next meeting:**

**Board of Health Meeting  
May 22, 2018 @ 7:30 PM  
Health Department Conference Room**