

MALEHA Environmental Health Forum

Minutes from August 20th 2020 9:00 AM

Teleconference

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Non-member Guests:

Sean Dunleavy MDARD
Tim Slawinski MDARD
Becky Kryzanowski MDARD
Shane Green MDARD
Rodney Blanchard MDARD
Janine Whitmer MDHHS
Laura de la Rambelje MDHHS
Steve Crider MDHHS
Mike Wessenberg MDHHS

Bryce Spiker MHHS
Dana DeBruyn MDEGLE
Jeremy Hoeh MDEGLE
Ian Smith EGLE
Matt Gamble MDEGLE
Laura Remus LARA
Barb Subastian LARA/ Liquor Control Commission
Ninah Sassy EGLE
Karen McMaster MALPH

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting called to order by Matt Bolang at 9:04 AM
2. **Approval of Agenda:** Motion to approve agenda by Andrew Cox, support Chris Westover. Motion carried.
3. **Approval of Minutes:** Motion to approve the minutes for July 16th by Vern Johnson, support Chris Klawuhn. Motion carried.

4. Officer & Affiliate Reports

- a) President's Report: working with partners to coordinate Executive Order issues.
- b) Treasurer's Report: Motion by Dan Thorell, support by Kristen Schweighoefer to approve July Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.
- c) MALPH Report: Karen McMaster is temporarily working assisting Jodi and working with a team to assist with filling the role left by Meghan Swain.
- d) MEHA Report: None

5. Guest Speakers

- a) **Ninah Sasy, EGLE, Clean Water Advocate.** Provided a presentation on a new platform being developed for the public to contact EGLE on water quality issues. There will be a launch date in October with a strong communication campaign. This has been reviewed by a 125 Clean Water Ambassadors within the State and an SOP is being finalized on how the information collected will be shared and provided to LHD's. Matt will coordinate with Ninah on getting the necessary LHD email contacts for providing the information collected back to the respective LHD.
- b) **Dale Freeman, MDHHS- Migrant Labor Camps.** Per the Executive Order, baseline testing for migrant farmworkers is due by August 24th. Working with Migrant Affairs to make sure that the health needs of farm workers are being met. This can include making sure that those that required to get tested are being tested and providing support to those testing positive. In addition, they have been working on partnerships with health services in areas with a high concentration of migrant testing such as Adrian, the thumb area, inner Kent count and Westside Counties. On some farms testing has become a requirement of employment and they are working on offering financial incentives and expanding emergency Medicaid services to those workers who have been told to stay home due to quarantine or self-isolation, in an effort to stop them from going elsewhere to seek work. New arrivals to the region will be tested either prior to beginning work and prior to arriving at a migrant camp.
- c) **Barb Subastain, Liquor Control- Executive Order Enforcement** Barb works at the Enforcement Division of MI Liquor Control. They have 4 District Offices (Escanaba, Southfield, Lansing and Grand Rapids) and she will share District Supervisor contact information with the group. The unit has received lots of complaints based on the executive order. It has been difficult to interpret due to the 70% criteria for gross sales since other goods in addition to alcohol may be included in gross sales especially at golf courses or other location with additional activities. Complaints have been associated with overcrowding, mask use, social distancing and overcapacity. Investigations begin with an emphasis on education but can lead to verbal warnings and tickets (with no cost associated), In the instance of Harper's Bar in Ingham it led to a show cause hearing. At this time there is no coordinating or communication with LHD but Barb suggested moving forward that collaboration between entities should be encouraged. Laura de la Rambelje would be able to forward a list of LHD contacts to the Division. There is a new Compliance Form being distributed to liquor licensed facilities. Every applicant has been

sent a Liquor License COVID Response Form. A refusal to complete the form will be note in their file during the renewal process.

6. State Department Reports:

- a) EGLE. Jeremy Hoeh:** The Unit has not been a part of the Executive Directive discussions. There is no update on pools at this time. They are aware of HIPCAMP website that is associated with private unlicensed campsites, Sarah Rottiers is the contact if any LHD is made aware of a location. **Matt Gamble:** Information going out on our list serve regarding the plan moving forward for yearly reviews. Requirements for submitting Quarterly Reports will remain uninterrupted. For those LHD that met Items 5/6/7/8 for FY19 they will not get a yearly evaluation this cycle. For those that did not met or are working on a Corrective Action Plan, should continue to move forward towards the goals and there will be specific reporting to their consultant on progress for meeting corrective action plans. There is a driller that is continuing to drill without being a Registered License. It is a criminal investigation since he is an illegal well driller since no license to take enforcement action against. MGWA has provided a statement to describe the importance of having licensed well driller in the State in an effort to help the investigator convince the Prosecutor that a criminal investigation is necessary. EGLE request that MALEHA writes a similar letter. Motion by Vern Johnson and seconded by Chris Klawuhn for MALEHA to write a letter to indicate the importance of Licensed Well Driller in the State. **Ian Smith:** PFAS Webinar Training on August 25th for Operators to familiarize with new PFAS MCL requirements. List will be distributed to all LHD indicating where supplies fall in regard to sampling needs beginning next 1st quarter. **Dan Dettweiler:** For PFAS data entry, working on getting Watertrack upgraded later this year. Expecting data entry to be centrally located and will need LHD's to forward PFAS sampling results to an Email Inbox which will be listed on the upcoming Q/A document. Plan is for the data to be loaded to Watertrack. The email is the same one that Louis Graham uses EGLE-PFAS-DRINKINGWATER@Michigan.gov suggest using subject line *County Name WSSN #* After the training on August 25th and based on any questions generated from the webinar or any submitted form the locals to their Non Community Consultant will generate a Q/A document for reference. Systems may have been inactivated in Watertrack over the last 6 months, be aware that as EGLE moves into fee invoice time they may need to be reactivated for September invoice time.
- b) MDHHS. Laura de la Rambelje:** Horse cases of EEE have been identified in Clare and Montcalm County. Request to Laura that improved communication is needed between MDHHS and EGLE as part of PFAS Public Health Action Plans (PHAP) where PFAS sampling is occurring. **Mike Wessneberger & Bryce Spiker:** Document available for flushing, need to remind operators that flushing is recommended to minimize risk of legionella
- c) MDARD. Sean Dunleavy:** Information regarding complaint process was shared on listserv identifying three way to submit MDARD COVID complaints. Request that information regarding positive employees in MDARD Food establishments be shared with Area Consultant or Supervisor. **Tim Slawinski:** Enforcement procedures are in

place for COVID complaints. Start with voluntary compliance and if not referral to MIOSHA and Liquor License for any additional action. A warning letter will follow, virtual compliance and in person inspection. Can lead to a summary suspension through the AG office if an imminent health hazard exists. Referral to motor field quality inspectors for gas station compliance. For the locals, if a County Prosecutor is unable to suspend a license, may want to contact MDARD. Information regarding the Virtual Rapid Response Conference Information has been released. LHD brought up the issue that the current EO regarding Extending License renewal for 60 days past the Declaration of Emergency needs further discussion with Governor. This may lead to food service licenses not expiring this year if it continues therefore suggest changing or modifying it.

- d) **LARA. Laura Remus:** Field inspections are increasing; funding has made it possible for a new temporary Section to operate specific to Nursing Home Inspections.

7. Committee Reports: None

- a) Food: None
- b) Drinking Water:
- c) OnSite: None
- d) Legislative: None
- e) Technology:

8. External Workgroups w MALEHA Representation: None

- a. MI Clear:
- b. MALEHA/MALPH State Code: None
- c. Legionella: None
- d. HAB:
- e. VI: None
- f. Pb/Cu: None
- g. Pb \$ (Sara Simmonds): None
- h. Body Art: None

9. Old Business: None

10. New Business: Welcome Teresa, EH Director Wayne County

11. Items from Board:

- i. Board Nominations
 - a. President-Elect, Sarah Simmonds nominated by Andrew Cox, support Don Hayduk
 - b. Secretary, Liz Braddock nominated by Andrew Cox, support Don Hayduk
 - c. Treasurer Chris Westover was nominated at July meeting
- ii. Awards. Respond to Andrew Cox with nominations by August 21st
- iii. Business Meeting Invitation will be sent out for September 17th

12. Items from Members:

Suggest more discussion regarding Enforcement and collaboration with others

13. Future Agenda Item: None

Motion by Chris Westover, support Kristen Schweighoefer to adjourn. Motion carried.
Meeting Adjourned 10:50 AM.

Submitted by Liz Braddock 09/09/2020

Approved 09 18 2020

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Liz Braddock", written in a cursive style.

MALEHA Secretary