**Board of Health**  
10/21/19  
**Present:**  
☑ Jill Domek - GMC  
☑ Joe Leal - Medical Officer  
☑ Jerry Jimison - City of Glendive  
☑ Stephen Schreibeis - Glendive Schools  
☑ Dennis Zander - Commissioner  
☐ Brett Irigoin - County Attorney  
☑ Cindy Heidt - Mental Health  
☐ Justin Cross - licensed establishment  
**Staff present:**  
☑ Timber Dempewolf  
☑ Kevin Pena  
**Guests:** Lindsay Sadorf, Naome Wright

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<td>Review and approval of minutes</td>
<td>Joe made a motion to approve the minutes from July 8, 2019 as published, Jill seconded.</td>
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<td><strong>New Business:</strong></td>
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| Tobacco Prevention               | Emergency Rules were filed October 8th and will take effect October 22nd and will be in place for 120 days. The rules temporarily prohibit the sale of flavored e-cigarette/vape products. This includes all flavored e-cigarette products that contain nicotine, THC, and other compounds. The emergency rule also makes provider reporting of potential cases of vaping associated pulmonary illness (VAPI) mandatory. Retailers will be required to remove flavored e-cigarette products from shelves and not sell these products by October 22. The rules will be enforced through citizen complaints and inspections of retailers who sell these products.  
A local district judge in Ravalli County issued a temporary restraining order (TRO) against the Department on Friday October 18th. The restraining order will be in effect for 10 days (through October 28th) and it bars the Department from implementing the emergency rule for that time-period. A hearing is scheduled for October 30th to address this matter. |           |
### Red Ribbon Week
- on Oct 25th with the Red Ribbon Dance at the Middle school
- Monday the 28th the Trading Card Kids will meet at WMS to help decorate to kick off the week
- presentations will be given to Lincoln 5th graders
- Trading Card Kids will be helping with the red ribbon pledge banner at lunch time.
- At Jefferson the morning of the 30th Trading Card Kids will pass out tattoos to the k-2 kids.

### PHEP

**Communication Plan**
- Updates were made to contact information. The goals of this plan are to:
  - Provide a protocol for coordinating response after-hours, on holidays, and during weekends.
  - Cooperate with other local agencies to identify potential audiences for public education and distribution of information to the public.
  - Create and maintain current and consistent messages and information for the news media, the public, health care workers, and other partners.
  - Maintain systems of effective communication with target groups, including health care workers and other public health partners, and distribute informational updates to all appropriate partners and the public as needed.
  - Establish procedures that follow the principles of emergency communications, including accurate, consistent, and timely messages.

**Specimen Transport Plan**
This plan has been developed to facilitate rapid and safe handling, packaging, and transport of human clinical specimens of concern and/or environmental samples determined to be of credible threat to the Montana Public Health Laboratory (MTPHL).

**CBRNE (Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and Explosives)**
The purpose of this plan is to identify potential situations, general indicators of possible weapons of mass destruction incident, describe who in the jurisdiction will respond to such incidents, and identify specific responsibilities of those responders.
No changes have been made.
Communicable Disease

Investigations (19)

- Syphilis
- Hep A
- Pertussis
- Hep C
- Animal Bites
- Chlamydia

Contact Investigations: 19
Total Investigations: 19
Average time on case (notification to close): 8.0

- All cases were investigated, all cases have been closed.
  - For 2 of the animal bite victims, PEP was recommended and received.

DPHHS has completed the process to update selected communicable disease rules. Most changes in the rules were minor refinements with the exception of adding newly diagnosed latent TB infections as a reportable condition. The new rules will go into effect January 1, 2020.

Sanitarian Report

The County dog bite ordinance has been amended:
  - to better define a vicious animal
• updated so the animal can be taken to quarantine and it could be disposed or removed from the county.
• Covers the entire county

TNORM rules (Technologically Enhanced Naturally Occurring Radioactive Material)

TENORM is created when materials that are naturally radioactive at low levels, including some soils and rocks, are concentrated as a result of human activities. Industrial processes such as manufacturing, water processing, and oil and gas production can generate TENORM waste.

Kevin reported there are parts of the proposed rules that are causing concern. For example, disposals would be able to accept higher radioactive loads. The current limit is 50pCi. The new rule says a load with up to 200pCi may be accepted however the rolling average must remain at 50pCi or less.
• Increased frequency of testing and monitoring wells
• A third party would be required to perform the testing and monitoring.

Comments also may be submitted in writing to Sandy Scherer, Legal Secretary, Department of Environmental Quality, 1520 E. Sixth Avenue, P.O. Box 200901, Helena, Montana 59620-0901; faxed to 406-444-4386; or emailed to sscherer@mt.gov, no later than 5 p.m., October 21, 2019.

Discussion was held about Oaks Disposal. There was a claim that the liner had failed however it was not substantiated. The belief is that the overflow was from the abnormal amount of rain the area has received.

DEQ provides the oversight for disposal facilities. A question was raised about what is the role of the Board of Health. Does the Board of Health have any input? What do we do if the liner is leaking

Kevin has 7 food establishment left to inspect by the end of the year.
Kevin is also teaching a serve safe class in Wibaux.

Health Officer Report

• The Behavioral Health Unit is open.
• GMC is fully staffed now with 2 OB/GYNs and an Orthopedic provider joining the team.

The proposed rules are available for review at: http://deq.mt.gov/DEQAdmin/dir/legal/hearing
- A fall health screening event was held over 3 days in October.

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<td>- Mary Jo applied and received a grant from MDT to purchase a powerlift cot for the ambulance.</td>
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<td>- The Mayor did a proclamation to declare the week of October 23-31 Red Ribbon Week in Glendive</td>
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<td>- The Mayor attended a DEQ update while attending the Montana league of towns and cities meeting in Billings.</td>
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<td>- Another EMT was recently appointed to the ambulance</td>
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<td>- Mary Jo is currently teaching an EMT course, there are 6 people enrolled.</td>
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<td>Dawson County</td>
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<td>- Applied for an infrastructure grant to update sewer system in West Glendive, there were 5 applications from Dawson County</td>
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<td>- Will be replacing sewer line in Forest park</td>
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<td>- There will be a Mental Health 1st Aide class 11/12 at DCC</td>
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<td>- Opened an 8-person group home, currently there are 5 residents.</td>
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<td>- Moved into the old District II building, CD services are located there</td>
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<td>- Staffing- still looking for support staff and a case manager</td>
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<td>- CSCT program allows behavioral specialist to be in the school, currently all schools except Jefferson have a program</td>
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<td>- Jeff Veley will be here 11/22 to provide training to staff and students. His method is to teach kids coping skill related to “bullying”</td>
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<td>- Stephen has written 6 grants in the past few months to support various needs in the schools</td>
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Adjournment  Jerry motioned to adjourn at 2:20, Keven seconded.

Next meeting – January 13, 2020

Notes submitted by: Timber Dempewolf

BOH Chair Signature  Date