

# Forsyth County Board of Health



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- Jane Bradner Mosko, RN, CRNA
- Dr. Willard L. McCloud, Jr., MD

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## BOARD OF HEALTH

MINUTES  
June 4, 2008

### MEMBERS PRESENT

Ms. Vera Robinson, Chair  
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Dr. Willard McCloud  
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Dr. Paul Salisbury  
Ms. Nancy Hardie  
Ms. Jane Bradner Mosko  
Mr. Beaufort Bailey  
Dr. Calvert Jeffers

### STAFF PRESENT

Dr. C. Timothy Monroe  
Mr. Matt Dyson  
Ms. Tommie Bowen  
Ms. Quintana Stewart  
Mr. Bob Whitwam  
Ms. Peggy Lemon  
Ms. Ayo Ademeyero  
Ms. Lynne Mitchell  
Brock Turner

### MEMBERS ABSENT

None

### Call to Order:

On Wednesday, June 4, 2008, the Forsyth County Board of Health held its monthly meeting in the Board Room at the Forsyth County Department of Public Health. Ms. Vera Robinson, Chair, presided and called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

### Consideration of Minutes:

The minutes of the May 7, 2008 Board of Health Meeting were reviewed by the Board. Upon motion by Dr. Calvert Jeffers, and a second by Dr. Willard McCloud, the minutes were approved as presented by the Board of Health.

### Floor Open for Public Comment Concerning Proposed Well Rule Changes:

No public attendance

### Old Business:

**Consideration of Change of Local Well Rule** – Mr. Bob Whitwam presented the recommendations for board action pertaining to the changes in Forsyth County's Local Well Rules. Recommendations for the Forsyth County Board of Health to adopt:

1. Repeal the "Forsyth County Board of Health Rules Governing the Construction, Repair, Abandonment and Operation of Wells in Forsyth County, North Carolina" (copy of resolution attached as part of minutes), which will be effective at 11:59 p.m., June 30, 2008.
2. The "Rules Governing the Permitting and Inspection of Water Supply Wells Not Intended for Human Consumption in Forsyth County, North Carolina" (copy attached as part of minutes). These rules will become effective and will be enforced in conjunction with the NC Environmental Management Commission's rules "Permitting and Inspection of Private Drinking Water Wells", on July 1, 2008.

Dr. Sides made a motion and Dr. Petrou seconded the motion to repeal the "Rules Governing the Construction, Repair, Abandonment and Operation of Wells in Forsyth County, North Carolina". The board voted unanimously to repeal the local well rules. Dr. Sides made a motion to adopt the new rules, and Dr. Petrou seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously for the adoption of the new rules.

**Budget Report** – Dr. Monroe reported that the Forsyth County Commissioners adopted the FY08-09 Budget last Thursday, May 29, 2008. Public Health had to cut \$305,000 out of their budget, by cutting four vacant positions within the department. These consisted of 2 Environmental Specialist's positions, 1 Fiscal Technician position, and the Medical Director position.

**Follow Up on invitation to watch "Unnatural Causes"** – Dr. Monroe reported on the letter from the Board of Health concerning the series that will be televised titled, "Unnatural Causes: Is Inequality Making Us Sick?". This broadcast is part of a nationwide public impact campaign with the main purpose of changing the way we view and seek to improve the health of our communities. He stated that these letters had been sent to the entire department, all county employees, all elected officials in the county, city, state, and surrounding areas, along with press releases to the media, emails, and a newspaper add that was printed in the Winston-Salem Journal and the Chronicle. Should anyone miss any of the episodes on television during the months of May and June, and are interested in viewing a copy, the health department has obtained copies of the complete DVD. For information about the availability of the DVD's, contact Lynne Mitchell at 703-3110, or [mitchelm@forsyth.cc](mailto:mitchelm@forsyth.cc).

Dr. Monroe is interested in the department and the board sponsoring various sessions, involving the community for viewing of these DVD's. He stated that he would like to have commitments from at least two board members to be involved in these sessions. We might possibly hold these sessions at the health department, library, or an area church affiliation. Dr. Monroe suggested maybe holding these on Tuesday or Thursday nights, for possibly two months. We might even attempt to do this same thing, again in September.

**Discussion of Bylaws** - Dr. Monroe informed the board that he had made some revisions to the Bylaws, and that they will be discussing this in detail at the retreat. He hopes that they will be able to finalize these at that time. If time runs out, and they are unable to complete the Bylaws, they will plan on finishing them at the next board meeting.

**Update on Accreditation Process** - Dr. Monroe reported that the department is in the middle of the Accreditation Process. The main purpose of the accreditation is to validate to an outside reviewer that we do these things that are required of us.

#### **New Business:**

Ms. Lynne Mitchell reported that the Annual Meeting for Infant Mortality was held on May 29, 2008 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. She reported that Ms. Carrie Worsley had read out the cause of death of all the babies that died in 2006. There were 59 infant deaths during that year. Non-White babies are 2 ½ to 3 times more likely to die in their first year of life than White babies. The keynote speaker was Sarah Verbeist, and she spoke on the 17P Project for preventing recurring premature birth.

Ms. Peggy Lemon mentioned that the articles that had been printed in the Winston Salem Journal concerning her nursing staff have been producing good results. She attributes the increase of applicants to the newspaper articles that have made the information about the Nursing Division more accessible to the public.

#### **Other Business:**

**Reminder of Retreat Scheduled for Saturday, June 28** – Dr. Monroe reminded the board members of the retreat for Saturday, June 28, that will be held in the Board Room. We will have a Continental Breakfast beginning at 8:30 a.m., lunch around 11:45 a.m., and adjourning around 3:45 to 4:00 p.m.

#### **Adjourn:**

After all business had been discussed, Ms. Linda Petrou made a motion to adjourn, and Mr. Beaufort Bailey seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

**Committees:**

The Director of the Health Director Evaluation Committee held a meeting immediately afterward to complete the Health Director's Evaluation.

Sincerely,

Dr. C. Timothy Monroe  
Secretary to the Board

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