

BOARD OF HEALTH FOR SOMERSET COUNTY
TUESDAY DECEMBER 17, 2019

At 2:00 p.m., the Board of Health for Somerset County met in Regular Session with Commissioner President Craig Mathies, Sr., Commissioner Vice President Charles Laird, Commissioner Randy Laird, Commissioner Eldon Willing and Commissioner Rex Simpkins.

Also in attendance were County Administrator-Clerk Ralph D. Taylor and Executive Secretary Kimberly Lopez, Lori Brewster, Somerset County Health Officer, and Danielle Webber, Somerset County Administration Deputy Health Officer.

Ms. Brewster began by advising the Board of the Strategic Planning Session (that was held in March and involved half of the Health Department staff) where reviewed data was obtained during the Assessment conducted by PRMC and WCHD. During this meeting they also refined their mission, vision, and values, as well as conducted SWOT Analysis, prioritized areas of focus, developed goals and objectives, and developed an implementation plan. Ms. Brewster then provided a Power Point presentation of the data collected to include: demographic data, the county's health ranking, health behaviors, socioeconomic factors, and a community survey.

During a discussion regarding healthcare, Mr. Taylor and Commissioner Randy Laird left the board room and returned moments later.

President Mathies requested insight on the homeless population, and Ms. Brewster advised she would collect that information but stated that it was growing.

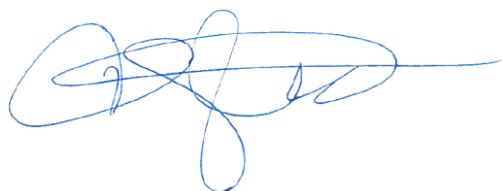
Ms. Brewster then advised of a future plan to have a healthcare base facility located at Washington High School (to make healthcare more convenient for students).

Mr. Richard Crumbacker, Crisfield County Times, inquired if the Somerset County Health Department had any influence with the McCready/PRMC merger and the effects this will have on the county due to the elimination of services from Crisfield. Ms. Brewster advised that she unfortunately does not have any influence with the McCready/PRMC merger nor the ability to provide input about citizen concerns.

Commissioner Randy Laird inquired about having a healthcare facility located at Crisfield High School, to which Ms. Brewster answered that the decision to place the healthcare facility at Washington High School was made by Dr. Gaddis (Superintendent of Somerset County Schools) and that this is just a starting point. Ms. Webber added that the biggest challenge in having the healthcare facilities at the schools is getting parental consent.

With no further discussion or questions, the meeting of the Board of Health for Somerset County was adjourned at 2:51 p.m. on a motion made by Vice President Charles Laird and seconded by Commissioner Simpkins that carried unanimously, and the Board entered into Somerset County Commissioners Special Session.

Approved by:

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Board of County Commissioners
For Somerset County

Respectfully Submitted:

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Kimberly Lopez
Executive Secretary