

**STATE OF TEXAS**

**COUNTIES OF POTTER AND RANDALL**

**CITY OF AMARILLO**

On the 8th day of July 2021, the Amarillo Area Public Health Board met for a quarterly board meeting at the City of Amarillo, Civic Center's Hospitality Room, 401 S. Buchanan, Amarillo Texas, with the following members present:

VOTING MEMBERS	PRESENT	NO. MEETINGS HELD	NO. MEETINGS ATTENDED
Kenneth Crossland, DDS Chair, City of Canyon	Y	222	198
Kevin Hawkins, Vice Chair City of Amarillo	Y	71	67
Delores Thompson Potter County	Y	46	32
Judi Smith Randall County	Y	94	76
Brenda Adams Randall County	N	14	13
Belinda Taylor City of Amarillo	Y	59	44
Rebecca Scott, MD Potter County	Y	14	12
Mike Campbell Timbercreek	N	8	2

**Administrative Officers Present:**

Casie Stoughton      Director, Public Health, City of Amarillo  
Carol Hill            Assistant Director, Public Health, City of Amarillo  
Dr. Milton             Health Authority, Public Health, City of Amarillo  
Anthony Spanel      Director, Environmental Health, City of Amarillo  
Shantel Elser         Assistant Director, WIC, City of Amarillo  
Victoria Medley      Director, Animal Management and Welfare, City of Amarillo  
Joe Mike Briseno     Recording Secretary, Public Health, City of Amarillo

**Guests Present**

David Gay, Amarillo Globe News

**Item 1: Call to Order and Welcome**

Chairman Dr. Crossland opened the meeting at 7:01pm, established a quorum, and conducted the consideration of the following items in the order presented.

**Item 2: Minutes**

Dr. Crossland and members of the board reviewed minutes of the previous meeting and they were approved as presented.

**Item 3: Introduction of Guests/New Members**

David Gay, Amarillo Globe News

**Item 4: Discussion: Topical Update from Health Authority**

None

**Item 5: Consider: Amendment to Interlocal Services Agreement**

Casie Stoughton, Director of Public Health, presented the Amendment to Interlocal Service Agreement.

Judi Smith made a motion to accept the Amendment naming Dr. Todd Bell as Health Authority and Medical Director for Amarillo Area Public Health District and send the recommendation to Amarillo City Council. Seconded by Rebecca Scott. All in favor.

**Item 6: Consider: Health Authority Appointment – Todd Bell, MD**

Consider the appointment of Dr. Todd Bell as Health Authority for Potter and Randall Counties and send recommendation to Amarillo City Council.

Delores Thompson made a motion to accept the appointment of Dr. Todd Bell as Health Authority for Potter and Randall Counties and send recommendation to Amarillo City Council. Seconded by Kevin Hawkins. All in favor.

**Item 7: Administrative Reports given by Departments**

**Animal Management and Welfare**

Victoria Medley, Director of Animal Management and Welfare, presented the AM&W report.

- Parvovirus – The City of Amarillo Animal Management & Welfare Department (AAMW) is temporarily adjusting its admissions policy for the public to prevent the spread of parvovirus among animals at the AAMW facility.
  - Press release sent out in June
  - Temporary visitor admissions policy
  - Partnering with TxTech Vet School
  - Officers are handing out handouts, “Parvovirus at a Glance” to dog owners in the community.

- Feline Leukemia in cats
- Daily Amarillo Animal Management & Welfare Daily Report Card for July 3, 2021, thru July 7, 2021
  - Daily report will go out everyday
  - Report includes, Intakes, Outcomes, Kennels, and Euthanasia

### Environmental Health

Anthony Spanel, Director of Environmental Health, presented the Environmental Health report.

- COVID Operations
  - Currently there are no operating restriction.
- Program Activities
- Department Performance
  - Food Hygiene
    - Inspections
    - New Permits
  - On-Site Sewage – New permit inspections
- Participated in the National Environment Health Associations Study
- Vector Program
  - Busy season
  - West Nile
- Food Inspections
  - Able to add additional staff October of last year.

### Public Health

Casie Stoughton, Director of Public Health, presented the Public Health report.

- COVID – 19
  - Given 135,000 Vaccines
  - Vaccination Rate for Potter and Randall County is around 40%.
  - COVID – 19 Vaccination clinics will be moved from the Civic Center August 6<sup>th</sup> and will be back at the Public Health building.
  - Mobile COVID – 19 Clinics: Clinic locations and times can be found at [AmarilloAlerts.com](http://AmarilloAlerts.com).
  - Fertility issues with vaccine: Dr. Milton, Data shows to be safe.
- Back-to-school registration
  - Back to school vaccination clinics

### WIC

Shantel Elser, Assistant Director of WIC, City of Amarillo, presented the WIC report.

- WIC Participation
  - 4,655 Average Participates for this quarter (Apr. 2021 – Jun. 2021).
    - Numbers slowly increasing
- Cooking Matters – Virtual Cooking Classes

**Item 8: Public Forum**

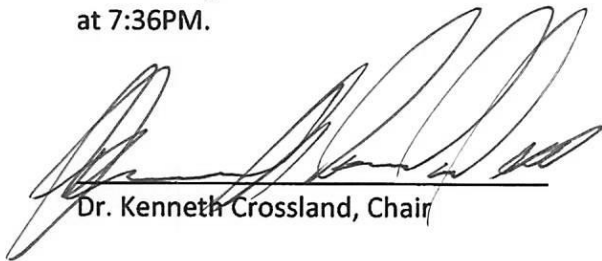
There were no comments from interested citizens on matters directly pertaining to policies, programs, or services of the Amarillo Area Public Health District.

**Item 9: Discuss Items for Future Agendas**

Members requested reports and new updates from all departments. Next regular meeting: Thursday, 14, 2021, at 7:00PM, location TBD.

**Item 10: Adjournment**

Dr. Crossland set the next meeting for October 14, 2021, at 7:00PM. The location TBD. With there being no further business to come before the board, Dr. Crossland adjourned the meeting at 7:36PM.



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Dr. Kenneth Crossland, Chair



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Joe Mike Briseno, Recording Secretary