**ECHOLS COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH**

**MINUTES**

**August 18, 2020**

The Echols County Board of Health met by conference call on Tuesday, August 18, 2020.

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| **Members Present** | **Members Absent** | **Others Present** |
| Evelyn Howell, Chairman | Bobby Walker | Dr. William Grow |
| Brenda Corbett, Secretary | Dianne Richardson – Vice-Chairman | Dwain Butler |
| Shannon King |  | Patrina Bowles |
|  |  | Blake Lowery |
|  |  | Leigh Ann Combass |
|  |  | Tiffinee Dasher |
|  |  | Teresa Giles |

**Call to Order**

* Evelyn Howell called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

**Public Comments**

* There were no public comments.

**Approval of February 18, 2020 Minutes (See attachment)**

* Ms. Corbett made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 18, 2020 meeting. Shannon King seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

**New Business:**

**Financial Information** – **Teresa Giles (See attachments)**

* Ms. Giles presented the Revenue and Expense Summary for the Echols County Health Department.

**Public Health Updates – William R. Grow, MD, FACP (See attachments)**

* Dr. Grow provided the COVID-19 update.
* The announcement was made to cancel the 2020 Legislative Breakfast due to social distancing requirements.
* Dr. Grow informed the Board that a tentative 2021 board of health meeting schedule would be sent out to the boards of health when the state releases the 2021 holiday schedule.

**Nurse Manager’ Report –Leigh Ann Combass, RN**

* Ms. Combass began her report by informing the Board that the health department is working with Echols County to provide guidance and would also be available for testing as needed.
* COVID testing remains available at the health department for the community Wednesdays from 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.
* Echols has been working to increase patient services.
* A staffing update was provided. Ms. Combass announced that Lizett Rubio was hired as interpreter.

**Environmental Health Update - Blake Lowery (see attachments)**

* Ms. Lowery reviewed Echols’ food service inspections and septic permits.

**Announcements**

* There were no announcements.

**Adjournment**

* Ms. King made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Brenda Corbett. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Brenda Corbett, Board Secretary

Tiffinee Dasher, Typist