

ULSTER COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

November 5, 2012

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

- **OLD BUSINESS**
 - a. Approval of October minutes

- **NEW BUSINESS**
 - a. Commissioner's Report:
 - Hurricane Sandy Response

 - b. Medical Examiner Report:
 - September and October Cases

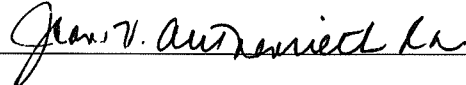
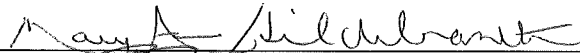

MEETING CONCLUSION

Ulster County Board of Health

Date: Monday, November 5, 2012

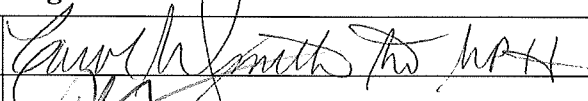
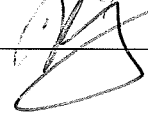
Board Members

Signature

Authenrieth RN, Joan	Vice Chairman	
Delma MD, Dominique	Secretary	
Graham ESQ, Peter	Board Member	Excused
Hildebrandt MPA, Mary Ann	Member	
Tack DO, Marc	Chairman	
Woodley MD, Walter	Board Member	
Board Member	Vacant	



Department of Health

Signature

Smith, MD, MPH, Carol	Commissioner of Health	
Heller MD, Douglas	Medical Examiner	
Veytia RN, MSN, Nereida	Acting PH Director/Patient Services Director	

Guests

Signature

Qamar, Cheryl	UC Depart of MH Deputy Acting Commissioner	
Cane, Lee	Mid-Hudson League of Women Voters	
GEDDY SVEIKAUSKAS Visiting Patient		

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Members PRESENT: Joan Authenrieth, RN, Vice Chairman
Marc Tack DO, Chairman
Mary Ann Hildebrandt, Board Member

UCDOH PRESENT: Carol Smith, MD, MPH, Commissioner of Health
Nereida Veytia, Patient Services Director (via phone)
Douglas Heller, MD, Medical Examiner

GUESTS: Lee Cane, Mid-Hudson League of Women Voters
Geddy Sveikauskas, Ulster Publishing

ABSENT: Dominique Delma, MD, Secretary
Walter Woodley, MD, Board Member

EXCUSED: Graham ESQ, Peter, Board Member

I. **Approval of Minutes:** The approval of the October minutes was tabled until the next meeting due to lack of a quorum.

II. **Agency Reports:**

a. Director's Update:

Dr. Smith reported on the following:

• **Hurricane Sandy:**

- o County EOC: The County Executive opened the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) at the Ulster County Law Enforcement Center on 8:00AM, Monday October 29, 2012. The EOC was manned round-the-clock with employees from several identified essential county departments, including DOH, Emergency Management, DSS, and DPW. Shelters were put in place at the Trudy Farber Resnick Center in Ellenville, the Midtown Center in Kingston, the Belleayre Resort in Shandaken, the Saugerties Senior Center, the SUNY New Paltz Wellness Center, the Rosendale Recreational Center, the Olivebridge Firehouse, all three town of Rochester Firehouses, as well as the Kerhonkson Accord Rescue Building. Employees worked 12 hour shifts and assisted with answering any request needs calls that came into the EOC, such as power outage issues, shelter needs, road closures, etc. County offices were officially closed starting at noon on Monday, October 29 and all day Tuesday, October 30, 2012.
- o DOH EOC: DOH established its own internal EOC which included departmental employees from Environmental, Public Health Preparedness, Administration, Patient Services, Fiscal and Mental Health to assist with the oversight of public health issues within the community. Some of DOH activities included providing nursing staff at the Belleayre shelter, addressing the water issues identified at Port Ewen water treatment plant and the Kingston Sewage treatment plant, ensuring that both plants' back-up plan were put into place, as well as addressing the river water issues at the Strand which effected several restaurants and

residencies. To date there has been one death as a result of the hurricane.

- o Hot Wash: Both internal and county-wide "Hot Wash" meetings have been scheduled to discuss successes and future improvements to county response.

- **Board of Health Meeting Time and Schedule**: It was determined that at this point in time the BOH meeting schedule will remain as is. Consideration of changing dates, times and place, as previously discussed at the October 2012 meeting, will be tabled for future discussion.

b. Medical Examiner: A summary sheet of the September and October activity of the Medical Examiner's Office was distributed and reviewed (see attached).

c. Patient Services: No Report

d. Environmental Health Report: No Report

Next Meeting: The next meeting is scheduled for December 10, 2012.

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Dr. Tack, seconded by Joan Authenrieth and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted by:



Katrina Kouhout
Secretary to the Public Health Director
On behalf of UC Board of Health

Medical Examiner Report 2012

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May	22	4	5	1	0	0
June	17	5	8	2	1	1
July	22	5	6	2	0	0
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