

**Health & Welfare Committee Meeting  
February 4, 2013**

Members Present: L.C. Tester, Richard Winters, JoAnn Blankenship, Ronnie Trivett, Robert L. Gobble, Ken Arney, Buford Peters, and Scott Sams.

Others in attendance included: Tom Bowers, John Lewis, John D. Snyder, Tom Smith, Richard Lewis, Leon Humphrey, Chris Mathes, and news media.

Chairwoman, JoAnn Blankenship, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Quorum Present.

Motion was made by L.C. Tester, seconded by Ken Arney to approve the minutes of the last meeting, January 7, 2013 as printed. By majority voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.

**Unfinished Business**

Rescue Squad has not yet responded to contract. L.C. Tester stated he had spoken with Richard Norris, Attorney for the Squad and he felt that correspondence would be forth coming. It was noted that the City of Elizabethton had approved a four (4) year contract with the Squad.

Health Department wished to thank everyone that took advantage of the the flu vaccinations. A free flu clinic for school children is in the planning stages at the department.

EMA report was not available. However, it was reported that the Alarm System funding request had been forwarded to the Budget Committee for approval.

**New Business**

Water Safety – Sinking Creek Signage was discussed. Planning Director, Chis Schuettler will be checking with TDECK concerning theses issues.

Gas Line Safety brochures were distributed to the committee. Chairwoman Blankenship urged everyone to heed the instructions and “Call Before You Dig”.

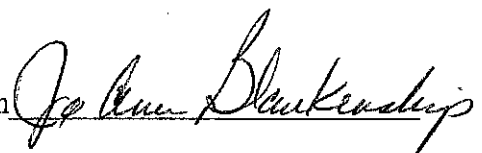
Wellness Program/Trinity – It was stated that this program was being discussed concerning health issues. Additional information to follow at later date.

**Public Comments:** NONE

Motion to adjourn was made by Ronnie Trivett, seconded by Ken Arney. By majority voice vote, all ayes, meeting adjourned at 6:15 PM.

Patsy H. Lewis, Secretary

JoAnn Blankenship, Chairwoman



**APPROVED**