



MINUTES OF BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

August 7, 2024

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Board of Health Members Present: Chair Peer, Dr. Nowak, Supervisor Fugelseth, Supervisor Schulz (virtual), Nicole McBride (virtual), Debra Kolste, Eric Gresens, Dr. Rachel Bergstrom.

Board of Health Members Absent: Vice Chair Schneider.

Staff Members Present: Katrina Harwood - Health Officer; Carrie Clark – Business Supervisor; Rick Wietersen – EH Manager; Alison Chouinard – PH Supervisor; Karen Nsiah-Ababio – Epidemiologist; Jane Goldberg – PH Strategist; Christine Streich – PH Strategist; Madison Roberts – PH Policy Analyst.

Others Present: Supervisor Sue Ryan.

Roll Call

Chair Peer asked for the roll call. At roll call, Chair Peer, Dr. Nowak, Supervisor Fugelseth, Supervisor Schulz, Nicole McBride, Eric Gresens, Debra Kolste and Dr. Rachel Bergstrom were present. Vice Chair Schneider was absent.

Adopt Agenda

Deb Kolste made a motion to adopt the agenda. Dr. Bergstrom seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED.

Approval of Minutes

Supervisor Fugelseth made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 3, 2024 Board of Health meeting. Dr. Bergstrom seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED.

Dr. Bergstrom made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 17, 2024 Board of Health meeting. Dr. Nowak seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED.

Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements

None.

New Business

Administrative Division

Review of Payments

The Board reviewed the Health Department's July 2024 payments totaling \$25,822.68.

Transfer of Funds Over \$5,000

No transfer of funds over \$5,000.

Public Health Department Report

Director's Report

Health Officer Harwood briefed members on the 2025 PH Budget Development process; informed of a special edition of Health Matters focused on overdose prevention efforts; updated on an evaluation of the doula initiative to improve birth outcomes; and highlighted a future partnership with the City of Beloit through the development of their Comprehensive Plan that included a public health lens.

2024 Community Health Assessment

Public Health Strategist Jane Goldberg began a presentation of the 2024 Community Health Assessment by providing an overview of what the health assessment is, why it is done, and the process taken to form the assessment. Public Health Strategist Christine Streich contributed to the presentation providing an overview of a new website, Healthy Rock, which is a dashboard designed to inform community members, maintain data in real time and make the assessment more transparent and accessible. Epidemiologist, Karen Nsiah-Ababio discussed the process undertaken to collect data and ensure it could be easily transformed and eventually visualized.

Review and Approval of Resolutions

A motion was made by Dr. Nowak, seconded by Deb Kolste to accept a Taking Action with Data grant in the amount of \$10,000 and amending the 2024 Public Health Department Budget. MOTION PASSED.

A motion was made by Dr. Bergstrom, seconded by Deb Kolste to accept Public Health Vending Machine Program funds and amending the 2024 Public Health Department Budget. MOTION PASSED.

A motion was made by Deb Kolste, seconded by Dr. Bergstrom to amend Chapter 6 of the Rock County Public Health Ordinance. Following a brief by Environmental Health Manager, Rick Wietersen informing of the changes and highlighting a proposed change to shift the collection of Private On-Site Wastewater Treatment maintenance fees from direct payment. MOTION PASSED.

Communications and Announcements from Staff and Board Members

Chair Peer reminded everyone about the upcoming Lions Corn Boil.

Adjournment

Deb Kolste made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Bergstrom seconded the motion. MOTION PASSED. Meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carrie Clark, Business Supervisor

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