



MINUTES OF BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

May 7, 2025

1. Call to Order: The May 7, 2025 Board of Health Meeting was called to order at 6 PM.

Board of Health Members Present: Supervisor Lou Peer (Chair), Supervisor Kim Schneider (Vice Chair), Eric Gresens, Supervisor Christine Fugelseth (virtual), Supervisor Kathy Schulz (virtual), Dr. Rachel Bergstrom (virtual), Dr. Blaine Nowak.

Board of Health Members Absent: Kimberly Ward, Debra Kolste.

Staff Members Present: Katrina Harwood - Health Officer; Carrie Clark - Business Supervisor; Abbi Brown - Public Health Nurse; Kristi Ferrara - Public Health Nurse; Jill Camber-Davidson - Public Health Supervisor; Rick Wietersen - Environmental Health Manager; Beth Soloman - Public Health Supervisor.

Others Present: None

Roll Call

At roll call, Chair Peer, Vice Chair Schneider, Dr. Blaine Nowak, Eric Gresens, Supervisor Fugelseth, Dr. Rachel Bergstrom, and Supervisor Schulz, were present.

2. Adopt Agenda

Chair Peer called for adoption of the agenda, motioned by Gresens, seconded by Schneider. All members present in favor. Agenda approved.

3. Approval of Minutes April 2, 2025

Chair Peer called for review, corrections, and approval of minutes, motioned by Schneider, seconded by Nowak. All members present in favor. Minutes approved.

4. Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements

None

5. New Business

A. Administrative Division

1. Review of Payments

The Board reviewed Public Health Department April, 2025 payments totaling \$3,816.94.

2. Approval of Transfers

No transfer of funds to report.

3. Public Health Department Report

a. Director's Report

Health Officer (HO) Harwood thanked Chair Peer for recently attending the Department's DHS 140 Chapter Review and briefed the board on the purpose and intent of the review is to maintain compliance as a level III Health Department Per WI Administrative Code as well as some of the reviewed topics and pending receipt of a report by DHS of the review outcome. HO Harwood updated the board on development of the 2026-2028 Strategic Plan, including a health survey distributed to board members. The HO gave an update as to the status of Federal funding cuts that will result in a decrease in funding to the Immunization Grant and provided additional information on internal meeting and planning efforts related to Measles outbreak preparedness.

b. Child Death Review (CDR) Update

Public Health Nurse Abbi Brown and Public Health Nurse Kristi Ferrara presented information related to their child death review work.

B. Review and Approval of Committee Actions & Ordinances

1. Committee Action – Wisconsin Population Health Service Fellowship

A motion was made by Schneider, seconded by Gresens to approve a placement of a University of Wisconsin, Madison Public Health Fellow on staff per agreed contract terms. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Amending Chapter 6 of the Rock County Public Health Ordinance

Following a motion by Schneider, second by Gresens, HO Harwood provided a brief on proposed changed to 6.121 of the Rock County Code of Ordinances (Rock County Public Health Ordinance, Private Sewage Systems). Motion passed unanimously.

6. Communications and Announcements from Staff and Board Members

Dr. Bergstrom announced that the first classes of Beloit College's Nursing Program will be starting soon. Chair Peer expressed condolences to the family of Richard Ott, a former County Board Supervisor.

7. Adjournment

Motion by Nowak, second by Gresens to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:54 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carrie Clark, Business Supervisor

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