

IOWA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

July 17, 2024

Attendance

Board: Dr. Steven Rippentrop, Tanya Powell, Jodi Matthes, Abby Maas, and Teresa Sauerbrei
Environmental Health Staff: Sherry Lutz
HD Staff: Lori Sheeler and Emilie Brecht
Public: None

Call to Order – Rippentrop called the meeting to order at 8:33 a.m.

Approval of Agenda – Maas motioned to approve agenda. Motion seconded by Powell. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes from May 15, 2024 –. Maas motioned to approve minutes. Motion seconded by Rippentrop. Matthes: Aye. Powell and Sauerbrei abstained. Motion carried.

Environmental Health Update –

Monthly numbers reviewed and discussed.
Monthly revenue/expense reports emailed to BOH members.

Health Department Update –

Director Report

- Promoting the Health Department in the community. Marengo and North English parades and the Iowa County Fair.
- Facilities update.
- RN open position update.

Public Health

- CHIP activities update. Iowa County Suicide Prevention Task Force meeting monthly, recruiting members.
- Animal bites, Reportable diseases discussed.
- PHEP – Stop the Bleed and AED projects discussed. 8 community access AEDs have been installed; Gateway Park, Lake Iowa bath houses X2, Marengo city square, North English City Hall, Victor Library, Williamsburg city square, Williamsburg Recreation Center ball fields

Home Health

- Patient census & new referrals reviewed.

Fiscal Report

- Fiscal Report emailed to BOH members.

Action Items

- Review and approve Public Health policy updates. Motion to approve with advised modifications by Matthes. Seconded by Maas. Motion passed unanimously.
- Review and clarify Human Resource policies for Health Department Staff. County Employment Status (HR012) reviewed.
 - o The Health Department employee hired >30 hours per week, but less than 40 hours per week does not have a County recognized employment status. BOH did not support a Departmental

policy regarding employment status, but suggested it be a discussion for the BOS to review the County employment status policy.

- Pending the employment status policy clarification by BOS, BOH recommended the HD employee minimally work 30 hours per week regardless of holidays. It is the employee's choice to get paid time and a half or accrue comp time for working on the holiday.
- BOH approved the option of hiring 2 variable hour employees or 1 full time employee in the vacant nurse position. Motion made by Powell. Seconded by Rippentrop. Powell and Matthes, Aye. Maas abstained. Motion carried.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, September 25, 2024, at 8:30 a.m.

At 10:31 a.m. Maas motioned to adjourn. Motion seconded by Rippentrop. Motion passed unanimously.