

HEALTH COMMITTEE MINUTES

COMMITTEE: HEALTH
DATE: April 2, 2025
TIME: 12:30 PM
PLACE: Forest County Boardroom-Courthouse

CALL TO ORDER

By Augustin at 12:30 PM and agenda read.

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: Decorah, Augustin, Dewing, McMillion, Van, Grinsven, Skallerud

ABSENT: Dr. Lindgren

OTHERS PRESENT: Gatton, Slagowski, Fuller-Kautz

APPROVE MEETING AGENDA

Motion by McMillion second by Van Grinsven to approve agenda. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Motion by McMillion second by Skallerud to approve minutes from previous meeting on February 5th, 2025.

All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Public Health Emergency Preparedness Update – Kathy Fuller-Kautz

Fuller-Kautz explained the role of the health department in emergency preparedness to the Board of Health. The main focus is on community health during emergency situations. This includes emergencies such as serious weather conditions, pandemics, power outages, loss of housing. The health department also provides education and resources to residents on resources for emergencies (temporary shelter, transportation, medications and medical supplies, etc.) The health department works closely with Emergency Management and other agencies during community emergencies.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Staff Training Log

Weber and Slagowski will be attending CPS trainings to recertify their car seat technician certificate.

Motion by Decorah second by McMillion. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Monthly Expenditures

Monthly expenses reviewed.

Motion by Decorah second by McMillion to except monthly expenditures. All present voting (AYE).

Motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: COVID Grant Balances

Gatton presented COVID grant balances. No Action

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Public Health Assistant and Health Clerk Hours

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Gatton requested the Health Clerk and Public Health Assistant positions be changed to 40 hours a week permanently.

Motion by McMillion second by Decorah to forward to the personal/finance meeting on April 22nd. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Electing a Vice Chair

Decorah made a motion to nominate Dewing to be the Board of Health vice chair, Augustin seconded it. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

DIRECTOR REPORTS: Stock Box, PH Nurse Intern, New Staff Nurse, Annual Report

Gatton informed the Board of Health that our department has accepted responsibility of the stock box program from Commission on Aging. Melissa Kelly will be starting as Public Health Nurse Intern next week, Holli Denton started last week as the staff nurse. The annual report is close to complete and will be emailed to all members of the Board of Health. Gatton asked if Van Grinsven can volunteer in the health department while being on the Board of Health. This needs to be discussed with the County Clerk. Gatton handed out flyers inviting the board to the public health open house next Tuesday.

NEXT MEETING DATE:

June 4th, 2025 at 3:30 pm

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by McMillion second by Decorah to adjourn. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.