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DUBUQUE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

**February 21, 2024, at 4:30pm
Dubuque County Offices - West Campus
1225 Seippel Rd. Dubuque, IA
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88139222582>**

MEETING MINUTES

Chairperson Larson called the February 21, 2024, Dubuque County Board of Health regularly scheduled meeting to order at 4:30pm, via in person and zoom.

Members Present in Person: Sandra Larson; Amy Crow Sunleaf; Pat Lehmkuhl; Preeti Joseph

Members Present via Zoom: Lynn “Tut” Fuller

Members Absent: Jess Smith; Mike Fidgeon

Staff Present: Allie White, Carissa Brown, Bailey Avenarius, Noah Dougherty, Tina Daubenberger

Others Present: Diane Pape Freiburger, Brittany Hubanks, Maia Bond

Others Present via Zoom: Wesley Rich

1. **Roll Call** – A quorum was established.
2. **Public Comments** – None.
3. **Chairperson Announcements & Updates** – Chairperson Larson shared that she was the recipient of a water testing postcard that was sent out by the DCPHD. Larson followed this by sharing a document that is used in Minnesota that takes one through the steps of any mitigation that may be required post testing. Larson spoke about “Public Health Day” at the Iowa State Capitol, which she and members of the Public Health Department were in attendance for. Larson finalized the chairperson announcements by sharing that she and Carissa Brown visited the Liberty Recovery Community and visited with Executive Director, Michelle Mihalakis.
4. **BOS/BOH Liaison Comments** – No BOS member present.
5. **Approval of Agenda** - Motioned by Crow Sunleaf to approve the February 21, 2024, regularly scheduled Board of Health meeting agenda; seconded by Lehmkuhl. The motion

passed unanimously without discussion.

6. **Approval of Minutes** –Motioned by Joseph to approve the January 17, 2024, regularly scheduled Board of Heath and January 11, 2024 Opioid Subcommittee meeting minutes; seconded by Lehmkuhl. The motion passed unanimously without discussion.
7. **Presentations & Reports** –
 - a. **Environmental Health Report**- Discussion and updates regarding environmental health provided by Dubuque County Environmental Specialist, Bailey Avenarius.
 - b. **Opioid Settlement Funds Report**- Discussion and updates regarding Opioid Settlement Funds by Dubuque County Public Health Project Coordinator, Carissa Brown.
 - c. **DCPHD Report** – Dubuque County Public Health monthly report by Allie White-Received and filed.
 - d. **VNA Report** – Discussion and updates regarding the Dubuque VNA provided by Brittany Hubanks.
8. **Action Items** –
 - a. **Variance request 10018 Shawondassee Lane**- Larson motioned to approve the variance request pending County Attorney guidance concerning the recording of the consents signed by the neighbors and the RR at 10018 Shawondassee Lane, seconded by Fuller. The motion was discussed thoroughly in order to evaluate subsequent actions. Director White will consult required departments regarding best practice.
9. **Response to Public Questions** – Abigail Deganhardt, Director of Dubuque County Early Childhood, questioned what Dubuque County was doing in regards to behavioral health and stated that she would like to be involved in future discussion regarding this topic.
10. **Unfinished Business** – None.
11. **New Business**- None.
12. **Board Communication & Reports** – None.
13. **Next Meeting** – March 20, 2024 @ 4:30 p.m.
14. **Public Comment** – None.
15. **Work Session**- Discussion and revision of the Dubuque County Public Health Strategic Plan 2024-2027 between DCPHD, BOH, and Wesley Rich.
16. **Adjournment** – Larson adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Minutes by: Noah Dougherty