



Benton County Board of Health Minutes

Friday, May 9th, 2025

7:00am – 8:00am

Benton County Service Center - Conference Room

811 D Ave. Vinton, IA 52349

BOH Members Present: Karl Holmes, PA-C, Lori Mott, Jean Ohlen

BOS Members Present:

Staff Present: Barbara Fetzer, Matt Even, Grace Schmidt & Monica Cox

Guests Present: Diana Strahan, HACAP

Meeting called to order:

- Vice-Chair Mott called the meeting to order at 7:03 AM

Approval of Agenda:

- Motion by Ohlen to approve agenda, seconded by Holmes, motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes:

- Ohlen noted an error in the April BOH meeting minutes, motion to approve minutes should read “minutes’ and not “agenda”. Motion by Ohlen to approve minutes with these changes, seconded by Holmes, motion passed unanimously.

Public Health – Discuss and/or act on April 2025 Expense Report

- Motion by Ohlen to approve the April 2025 expense report, seconded by Holmes, motion passed unanimously.

Public Health – Public Health Report

- Schmidt shared updates from public health since the last Board meeting; there has been a lot of work done regarding the PHEP grant, and BCPH has made connections to potentially host an unpaid intern(s) over the summer/fall. Cox discussed her experience with the LEAD program

through Iowa HHS, and completing the necessary training for the Safe Travel for All Children (STAC) class hosted by UnityPoint & the Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau.

Environmental Health

- Fetzer shared that Grants to Counties has been submitted, and their department has been busy with septic permitting & land use activities. There was discussion on if the BOH would be planning to meet in June, July & August. Ohlen suggest meeting in June & July, and keeping August as a "maybe".

Public Comment

- Diana S. shared that HACAP offers children's nutrition counseling for high lead levels. If providers identify these patients, they can refer families to the CLPPP, and CLPPP will arrange with HACAP for this counseling.

Adjournment:

- Motion by Ohlen, seconded by Holmes, motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:46 AM.

Next Meeting:

Friday, June 20th, 2025

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