



Benton County Board of Health Minutes

Thursday, August 8th, 2024

7:00am – 8:00am

Benton County Service Center - Conference Room

811 D Ave. Vinton, IA 52349

BOH Members Present: Tai Burkhart, Jessica Fairbanks, Jean Ohlen, Lori Mott & Karl Holmes,
PA-C

BOS Members Present: Richard Primmer

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

Guests Present: Diana Strahan, Family and Community Health Alliance Director – HACAP;
Nowai –Hacap Intern

Meeting called to order:

- Motion by Burkhart to call meeting to order at 7:03 AM.

Approval of Agenda:

- Motion by Fairbanks to approve agenda, seconded by Mott, motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes:

- Motion by Fairbanks to approve minutes, seconded by Ohlen, motion passed unanimously.

Guest: Diana Strahan, Family and Community Health Alliance Director – HACAP

- Presentation on HACAP's Health Programs. Organization is the Contractor for WIC & 1st Five, and the Subcontractor for Title V MCAH services, and has strong partnership with Local Boards of Health. The Family and Community Health Alliance has 9 Health programs: WIC, Breastfeeding Peer Counselor, 1st Five, Maternal Health, Child & Adolescent Health, i-Smile, i-Smile @ School, Hawki & Childcare Nurse Consultant. HACAP is the Grant Holder for Linn, Benton, Johnes, Iowa & Johnson counties. IN FY 23, there were 9,002 unduplicated clients in all 5 counties

Environmental Health Report:

- Shared the Summary of Activities for FY24 Q4, including well activity, well water sampling, grants to counties, private sewage disposal and animal bites. 28E Agreement with Linn County PH is still pending, Time of Transfers are picking up, well reconstruction is low due to homeowner investment cost, and animal bite numbers are remaining steady.

Approval of signatory authority for Private Well Grant:

- Delegation of Signatory Authority letter signed by Chair Burkhart to delegate Even to review & execute Private Well Grant; all contracts reviewed & executed by Even will be brought in front of the BOH.

Public Health Report

- Monica Cox, BSN, RN began on 7/1 as Clinical Program Coordinator, and has completed many training over the past few weeks, as well as prepared the clinic room for immunization program. Office renovations are nearly complete, and BOH members are invited to stop down after the meeting to look at progress. Currently, the department is busy with the Opioid Taskforce Settlement, the Vaccines for Children Program, and preparing for PH WINS. The department also was helped by VGH staff and Benton County EMA to secure remaining public health equipment that was in storage with VGH.

Director Annual Review

- This was postponed for a future date due to limited time remaining

Public Comment

- No public comment

Adjournment:

- Motion by Mott, seconded by Fairbanks, motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:24 AM.

Next Meeting:

Thursday, September 12th, 2024

7:00am – 8:00am

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