

MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING  
ROCK ISLAND COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

TIME: 5:30 p.m., August 5, 2021

PLACE: Rock Island County Health Department, 2112 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue Rock Island, IL

MEMBERS Ms. Kaye Whitley, President

PRESENT: Mr. Bob Graff

Dr. Mark Bollaert

Ms. Debbie Freiburg

Ms. Edna Sowards, County Board Representative

Mr. Leon Gibson

Ms. Martha Nieto

Mr. Andrew McClarity, Vice President

Dr. Jean Wardlow

ABSENT Dr. Naurin Ahmad

Mr. Michael Daly

STAFF

PRESENT: Ms. Nita Ludwig, Administrator

Ms. Janet Hill, Chief Operating Officer

Mr. Gary Bryant, Chief Financial and Information Officer

Ms. Megan Michels, Grants Manager

Board President, Kaye Whitley called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Ms. Whitley introduced new board member Ms. Martha Nieto.

MOTION The minutes for the July 2021 Board of Health and Finance Committee meeting was approved with a motion made by Mr. Gibson, second by Mr. Freiburg. Motion carried.

Mr. Bryant went over the financial reports for the period ending July 31, 2021 with revenues of \$640,019 and expenditures of \$586,967 for a net gain of \$53,052 for the month Jul and a gain of \$6,597 for the year.

MOTION Mr. Bryant went over the base cash flow for the month of August. The Health Department's balance sheet shows a cash balance of \$50,519 and investments of \$2,856,000 and \$39,810 from the State and \$169,207 from tax distribution. Mr. Bryant shared there will be two payrolls in the month of August. There are vouchers that need to be paid totaling \$55,612. The Department's projected cash balance for the end of July is \$2,803,947. A motion to approve Financial Reports was made by Mr. McClarity, second by Ms. Sowards. Roll call vote was taken-all yes. Motion carried

Mr. Bryant went over the proposed FY22 budget. He pointed out that federal and state grants make up a majority of our funding. Also included are property taxes, fees and services revenue, and public aid revenue. A motion to approve the FY22 budget was made by Mr. Gibson, second by Dr. Bollaert. Roll call vote was taken-all yes. Motion carried.

MOTION A motion to approve the Service Delivery Report was made by Ms. Freiburg

Ms. Ludwig shared that the Governor has mandated Preschool-12<sup>th</sup> grade, daycare, and long term care facilities must wear a mask. Also, state workers must be vaccinated by October 4<sup>th</sup>.

The positivity rate for our region was 4.9%. Ms. Ludwig shared we are seeing an increase in cases. The CDC lists us as substantial transmission in Rock Island County. There has been an increase in ED visits and we have seen some breakthrough cases, which is expected. Vaccines are working to do what they

need to do. We have one full time contact tracer and one part time contact tracer. If the cases continue to go up we may have to call in other contact tracers.

The Health Department received a couple different awards, Community Advocate Award for 2021 and Chamber Organization of the Year.

The Health Department has scheduled some vaccination clinics for employers who are mandating vaccinations such as Tyson.

Ms. Ludwig explained and reviewed the Health Department's strategic plan and operations.

MOTION A motion to accept the Administrator's Report was made by Mr. Gibson, second by Mr. McClarity. Motion carried.

Ms. Ludwig shared that Ms. Roshawn Wilson was promoted to Case Manager. Ms. Ludwig asked permission to hire one full time Program Assistant for FCM. A motion to hire a Program Assistant was made by Mr. McClarity, second by Ms. Sowards. Roll call vote taken-all yes. Motion carried.

Ms. Ludwig shared monthly anniversaries.

MOTION A motion to accept the Human Resource Report was made by Ms. Freiburg, second by Dr. Wardlow. Motion carried.

MOTION The claims were approved with a motion by Mr. McClarity, second by Mr. Gibson. Roll call vote was taken, all yes. Motion carried.

MOTION A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. McClarity, second by Dr. Wardlow. Meeting was adjourned at 6:15pm

Respectfully submitted,

Edna Sowards, Secretary, by  
Megan Michels, Grants Manager

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