

MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING
ROCK ISLAND COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

TIME: 5:30 p.m. August 7th, 2025

PLACE: Rock Island County Health Department, 2112 25th Avenue Rock Island, IL

MEMBERS Ms. Kaye Whitley, President

PRESENT: Mr. Larry Coyne

Ms. Debbie Freiburg

Dr. Naurin Ahmad

Mr. Andrew McClarity

Mr. Leon Gibson

Dr. Mark Bollaert

Ms. Edna Sowards

ABSENT Dr. Jean Wardlow

STAFF

PRESENT: Mr. Gary Bryant, Chief Financial and Information Officer

Janelle Nicewanner- Grants Manager

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

Roll call was taken.

MOTION The minutes for the June 2025 Board of Health meeting were approved with a motion made by Ms. Debbie Freiburg, second by Mr. Larry Coyne. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Comments were made by Kelly Carroll, Tina Haskins, Gracie Velazquez, Adrian Blackwell, Karey Baxter and Deanna Gerber. (all employees of RICHD) They wanted to address the Board about concerns regarding operational decisions to be made.

MOTION A motion to go into closed session at 6:09pm under 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1), (c)(2), and (c)(3) was made by Ms. Whitley, second by Mr. Andrew McClarity. Roll call vote taken-all yes-Motion carried.

MOTION A motion to go back into open session at 6:36pm was made by Ms. Kaye Whitley, second by Mr. Andrew McClarity. Roll call vote taken-all yes.

MOTION A motion to approve the Human Resources report made by Mr. Andrew McClarity, second by Dr. Ahmad. Motion carried.

MOTION Mr. Bryant went over transfers for the month. Mr. Andrew McClarity made a motion to approve transfers, second by Ms. Debbie Freiburg. Roll call was taken, all ayes. Motion passed.

MOTION Mr. Bryant went over the financial reports for the period ending July 31st, 2025 with revenues of \$314,063 and expenditures of \$332,657 for the month of July 2025 with a loss of \$18,894 for the month of July, and a surplus of \$35,740 for the year. There were no resolutions. Mr. Bryant went over the base cash flow for the month of August. The Health Department's balance sheet shows cash balance of \$4,227 and investments of \$3,140,000. There are two payrolls in the month of August. There are vouchers that need to be paid totaling \$94,107 which includes our 3rd Quarter Allocation payment of \$51,353. The projected cash balance for the end of the August is \$2,965,666. A motion to approve the Financial Reports was made by Mr. Leon Gibson, second by Mr. Larry Coyne. Roll call vote taken-all yes. Motion carried.

Note: Dr. Ahmad and Ms. Edna Sowards left the meeting, six members are present.

MOTION Ms. Debbie Freiburg made a motion to approve Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) and Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) presented, authorizing their adoption and public release. Second by Mr. Andrew McClarity. Motion passed.

MOTION Mr. Leon Gibson made a motion to approve the Rock Island County Health Department Organizational Self-Assessment Plan, authorizing it's Implementation as part of the department's ongoing performance and Strategic planning efforts. Mr. Larry Coyne seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

MOTION Mr. Andrew McClarity made a motion to designate George Verastegui
As the Executive Officer of the Rock Island County Health Department
For the purpose of IPLAN submission. Second by Dr. Mark Bollaert.
Motion passed.

MOTION Mr. Leon Gibson made a motion to approve the disposal of three county
Cars from the fleet due to age, mileage and mechanical issues. Mr. Larry
Coyne seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. Motion passed.

MOTION Ms. Kaye Whitley made a motion to recommend that the Rock Island County
Board adopt an ordinance to ban the sale of Kratom products containing
7-hydroxymitragynine and Mitragynine Pseudoindoxyl in Rock Island
County. Second by Mr. Larry Coyne. Roll call was taken 5-yes, 1 opposed.
Motion passed.

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

MOTION A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Andrew McClarity, second by Dr. Mark
Bollaert. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:54pm

Respectfully submitted,

Edna Sowards, Secretary, by
Janelle Nicewanner, Grants Manager

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