



LINN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, May 28, 2025 | 4:00 PM
Harris Building | Conference Room 234
1020 6th St. SE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52401



Call to Order - Dr. Dustin Arnold, Chair

Dr. Dustin Arnold, Board Chair, established a quorum and called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

Board of Health Present: Dr. Dustin Arnold, Erica Bernard (virtually), Sami Scheetz, Melissa Walker, Linda Langston, Cory Speth (legal)

Linn County Public Health Members Present: Dr. Pramod Dwivedi, Health Director; Matt Majeski, Administration Division Manager; Heather Meador, Clinical Services Branch Manager; Dustin Hinrichs, Food and Aquatic Safety, Tattoo Tanning Branch Manager; Ruby Perin, Healthy Homes Branch Manager; Amy Blake, Assessment & Health Promotion Manager; Mollie Swayne, Communications Specialist; Cindy Fiester, Chronic Disease Services Coordinator and Becca Orth, Administrative Assistant (Recorder)

Recognize Guests and Staff - Dr. Pramod Dwivedi, Health Director

Public Comment: Three Minute Limit per Speaker

None

Approve Agenda*

Motion made to approve agenda with an amendment to remove the Variance request.

****MSC Walker/Scheetz**

BOH member/s excused absences

None

Approval of Minutes*

April 23, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Motion made to approve the April minutes as presented.

****MSC Scheetz/Walker**

Board of Health Committee Reports

Finance Committee - Dr. Dustin Arnold, Committee Chair and Linda Langston, Committee Co-Chair

April Financial Statements*

Motion made to approve April 2025 Finance Statements

****MSC Langston/Scheetz**

Policy and Government Relations Committee - Erica Bernard and Melissa Walker, Committee Co-Chairs

Continuity of Operations Plan with Board of Health Summary Form*

Motion made to approve the Continuity of Operations Plan along with the summary.

****MSC Scheetz/Langston**

Open Burning Permit Fees*

Motion made to approve the Open Burning tiered fee.

****MSC Langston/Scheetz**

Health Director's Report- Dr. Pramod Dwivedi

Dr. Dwivedi made note of the National Nurses Week May 6-12, 2025

Health Equity Program Manager title is changed to Community Health Program Manager.

Community Health Improvement Plan Presentation - Dr. Amy Blake

Dr. Blake presented to the Board.

~~Variance request for reduced setback distance between existing well and new septic system that is being proposed for installation.~~

Board of Health Attorney Report - Cory Speth

None

Presentation - Cancer in Iowa: 99 Counties Project

Dr. Mary Charlton, Professor, University of Iowa Department of Epidemiology and Director, Iowa Cancer Registry

Dr. Sarah Nash, Assistant Professor, University of Iowa Department of Epidemiology, and Director of Research, Analytics, and Dissemination, Iowa Cancer Registry

Dr. Whitney Zahnd, Assistant Professor, University of Iowa College of Public Health

Dr. Charlton and Dr. Zahnd presented to the Board.

Upcoming Meetings

Finance Committee Meeting - June 23, 2025 at 1:30 p.m.

Policy and Government Relations Committee Meeting - June 24, 2025 at 11:00 a.m.

Board of Health Meeting - June 25, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.

Adjournment

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

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