

**Minutes – Clinton County Board of Health
Public Meeting held
September 5th, 2024 – 7:30 a.m.
Clinton County Satellite Office, large conference room and Via ZOOM**

<u>Board Members</u>	Dr. Mary Malcom	Absent
	Jean Morgan, RN, BSN, MSED	Present
	Don Thiltgen	Present
	Chelsea Sullens, DPT	Present
	Jenna Lovaas	Present

Staff Present Shane McClintock, Director to the Board of Health
 Kelli Eggers, Administrative Assistant to the Board of Health

Others Present Michele Cullen, Public Health/Genesis VNA
 Carolyn Weets, CSAC
 Maribeth Bousman, ASAC
 Roxanne Smith, Iowa Department of Health and Human Services
 Erin Kuehn, ASAC
 Olivia Regenwether, ASAC
 Heather Montgomery, Women’s Health and Family Services
 Amber Smith, CSAC

Thiltgen called the meeting to order at 7:31 a.m. The hybrid meeting was held with the option of teleconference participation. Roll call showed three members present, one later joined. Three members were in the meeting room, and 1 was via ZOOM due to unforeseen circumstances. It was **moved** by **Lovaas**, seconded by **Morgan**, to **APPROVE** the July 11th, 2024 minutes as submitted. Motion carried 3-0.

AGENDA ITEM III – BOARD OF HEALTH

None.

AGENDA ITEM IV – COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. **Finance** – No updates.
- B. **Personnel** – The Assistant’s review was completed in July and a copy is available upon request.
- C. **Total Quality Management** – No updates.

AGENDA ITEM V – DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- A. Environmental Services- McClintock** was present but had no updates.
- B. Genesis VNA & Hospice- Cullen** requested approval for a permission form to send a colleague to a mandatory state meeting in October. She will be having hip surgery the day before and will not be able to attend. She is sending **Jen Warren** in her place. It was **moved** by **Lovaas**, seconded by **Morgan**, to **APPROVE** said permission form. Motion carried 4-0. The Let's Live Healthy group continues to meet bimonthly. One project is the Community Huddle and the United Way has taken charge of that. Each Wednesday morning at 9:45 a very brief meeting is held where any community partner can get on and highlight any event they have that week. There is a drive thru mobile food pantry coming up in two weeks for example. They continue to work on the Story Book Walk. An Eagle Scout has taken over this task. They intend to have it at the Eagle Point Park Nature Barn. He is hoping to have it completed by October 1st. 3 sites for Donation Gardening continue. They are at Wheatland, DeWitt, and Clinton. They could use more donations. They are also working with the Iowa State University Extension on the LEAP Grant regarding obesity. The Health Improvement Plan will be worked on again this fall. The immunization push for school aged children is well under way. **Morgan** questioned the new Covid vaccine and whether it was available. **Cullen** said they were told October however she has heard that Hyvee may have it already. **Lovaas** said other pharmacies may have it as well. **Roxanne Smith** has introduced herself as the regional consultant under IHHS. She is from Louisa County and works remotely. She joined IHHS in November covering region 2 and then took over for **Becky Nowachek** for region 6 in April. **Smith** has a background in nursing.
- C. Maternal Child and Adolescent Health (MCAH)-** Not in attendance. 2024 Scott County Tattoo/Pool Inspection Report submitted.
- D. Hillcrest Family Services/WIC- Kaczinski** was unable to attend.
- E. Early Childhood Iowa/DECAT - Wirth** was present but had no updates.
- F. Women's Health and Family Services- Montgomery** asked for approval of the 1st quarter Teen Success and 1st quarter Rapid HIV Testing claims. It was **moved** by **Morgan**, seconded by **Lovaas**, to **APPROVE** said contracts. Motion carried 4-0. Their office has performed over 200 rapid HIV tests so far this year, with zero positive. They have done 250 Syphilis tests, with 6 positive cases. All pregnant women should be tested for Syphilis. There are cases where pregnant mothers delivered not knowing they were positive and they had some issues. **Cheek** continues to be in the schools for the Teen Success program.
- G. Community Health Care, Inc- Eacker** said they are also waiting on their Covid and flu vaccine supply and were promised October as well. They are wrapping up school physical season. Since the last meeting, they have added a dental hygienist to their team and hope to add a new dentist as well. They did have an adult wait list, but are now going thru it quite quickly. They are teaming up with the Rediscovery Center and Life Connections in which they have seen 26 patients in the last 2 months.

- H. **Clinton Substance Abuse Council (GIC & CDC)- Weets** works on the grant regarding prescription drug misuse. She is working hard getting into schools to speak to children regarding this matter. There are new superintendents at both DeWitt and Calamus-Wheatland school districts and she is looking forward to working with them. **Smith** is in charge of the adult alcohol misuse program. She is hosting a training at Life Connections on September 10th offering 5 CEU credits. Lunch will be provided. They also continue to offer Resilience to Thrive and the Ripple Effect trainings.
- I. **Area Substance Abuse Council (ASAC)/New Directions- Bousman** said the PHP Program is going well. They do not have enough counselors in the building, however. Pregnant mothers continue to be their priority. They continue with prevention programming in DeWitt, Clinton and Calamus-Wheatland schools. **Erin Kuehn** introduced herself. She stated that with kids going back to school, they continue to be very busy. **Regenwether** said they continue to offer help for problem gambling. They train employees at the casino to watch for signs with patrons and problem gambling.
- J. **Bridgeview Community Mental Health Center**– Not in attendance.
- K. **Emergency Management** – Not in attendance.

AGENDA ITEM VI – BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Not in attendance.

AGENDA ITEM VII – PUBLIC COMMENT

Jenn Kutsch was scheduled to attend via Zoom regarding the county wind turbine discussion; however, was unable to attend. All emails have been forwarded to the Board of Health per her request. Discussion ensued regarding the wind turbines. **Morgan** stated that the wind turbines are all over the place, not just in Iowa. **Cullen** stated the studies are just now coming out regarding the ill effects these have on humans. Issues arise regarding the noise, vibration, sleep disruption, light flicker, pollution and more. She was under the impression the county is looking at their ordinance regarding the current setbacks. **McClintock** stated that a group is trying to put together a study with the Iowa DNR regarding its effects on wells. Once they are decommissioned, not all the concrete is removed. Thus, there is concern over contaminants getting into the aquifer. **Cullen** noted what recently happened in Mechanicsville, Iowa. The damage from the fire left fiber glass etc. in the field and the company did not clean it up. Studies from Madison County are out regarding the research they have done.

AGENDA ITEM VIII – OLD BUSINESS

None.

AGENDA ITEM IX – NEW BUSINESS

None.

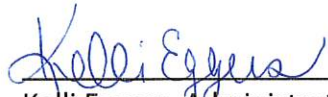
AGENDA ITEM X – NEXT MEETING DATE

October 31st, 2024 and January 9th, 2025 at 7:30 am at the Clinton County Satellite Building, large conference room. Meeting also available via Zoom.

AGENDA ITEM XI – ADJOURNMENT

Motion by **Lovaas**, seconded by **Morgan**, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kelli Eggers, Administrative Assistant to
the Board of Health

Approved  _____
Dr. Malcom, Chairperson, Board of Health

Attachments can be viewed by contacting the Board of Health at the Clinton County Satellite offices.