

**VERMILION COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
June 15, 2021
6:00 PM**

Present: Dr. Wes Bieritz, Dr. Jane Cooney, Brad Gross, Paulina Padjen, Bob Jones and Celeste Widloff.

Absent: Carla DeAngelis, Karen Broaders, Marla Mackiewicz, Connie Ostrander, and Sabeeha Haque

The meeting was called to order by Brad Gross, at 6:00 PM.

A motion was made to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion: Celeste Widloff
Second: Paulina Padjen
Motion carried unanimously as follows:

Wesley Bieritz	Yes
Dr. Jane Cooney	Yes
Bob Jones	Yes
Brad Gross	Yes
Paulina Padjen	Yes
Celeste Widloff	Yes

A motion was made to approve the regular minutes of the May 18, 2021 regular meeting as presented.

Motion: Wes Bieritz
Second: Paulina Padjen
Motion carried unanimously as follows:

Wesley Bieritz	Yes
Dr. Jane Cooney	Yes
Bob Jones	Yes
Brad Gross	Yes
Paulina Padjen	Yes
Celeste Widloff	Yes

Fiscal Status

The Board reviewed the Budget Performance Report, Income Statement and the Balance Sheet for May 2021.

A motion was made to approve of the Financial reports for May 2021 as presented.

Motion: Wesley Bieritz
Second: Celeste Widloff

Motion carried unanimously as follows:

Wesley Bieritz	Yes
Dr. Jane Cooney	Yes
Bob Jones	Yes
Brad Gross	Yes
Paulina Padjen	Yes
Celeste Widloff	Yes

State and Federal grant money has been coming in regularly.

Wes Bieritz reported that the County is in good shape financially. The County has received more tax money from the dispensary than anticipated. The County also was also giving 14 million in Covid money. The County does have tight restrictions on what they can and cannot use the money for.

Old Business:

Doug updated the Board on various Departments. Discussion about Dan Balgeman retiring. It would hurt the Health Department in the IT area. The Health Department would most likely have to rely on the County's IT employees.

Environmental Health is currently fully staffed. Dan has been prepping Janna Messmore and Mike Hanna for when he leaves.

Public Health Emergency Preparedness. Doug reported that Susan Fauver, Amy Lacy and Melissa Rome have been the team in charge of this pandemic and the reason clinics have ran so smoothly.

Our **Immunizations** Back to school clinics will be starting and hired Dawn Merrill as the new nurse.

WIC (Women's, Infants and Children) In the process of interviewing WIC clerks. Clients will still have access to the drive up until August.

COVID 19 Contact tracing –As positive cases decline, we will not be needing as many contact tracers.

COVID 19 Mass Vaccination clinics – The vaccination clinics are going down to once a month because the decrease in interest in getting the vaccination. In Vermilion County the population of 65 and older is 65% vaccinated.

Building Renovations – There were new lights put up in the parking lot. The Health Department is wanting to get a new ventilation system with the 14 million the County has received.

New Business:

Solid waste will be getting a new food inspection software that should allow the workers to work more efficiently. The yearly maintenance is \$6,000. The program will intentionally cost \$8,450.

There was no need for an executive session.

A motion was made to approve the Budget Amendment as presented.

Motion: Dr. Wes Bieritz

Second: Brad Gross

Motion carried unanimously as follows:

Dr. Wes Bieritz	Yes
Dr. Jane Cooney	Yes
Bob Jones	Yes
Brad Gross	Yes
Paulina Padjen	Yes
Celeste Widloff	Yes

Items of Information:

There was no report on recent site visits, evaluations, audits, or certifications.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, July 20, 2021 at 6:00 PM at the Health Department.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Paulina Padjen

Second: Wes Bieritz

Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Clayton Fauver
Recording Secretary

Paulina Padjen
Secretary, Board of Health