

**Jones County Board of Health
Regular Meeting
April 21, 2022**

Members Present: Denny Coon, John Schlarmann, Dr. Deb Oldham, & Connie Goldsmith

Members Absent: Dr. Kirk Kilburg

Others Present: Paula Hart, Jess Wiedenhoff, Sue Ellen Hosch, Eric Bradley and Danielle Pershing

Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Motion to approve minutes from the March 9, 2022 meeting by Dr. Oldham, second by John, all ayes.

Environmental Health

Introduction Eric Bradley, new Linn County Public Health Deputy Director

Sue Ellen – Provided update on Septic Funding Available from the Iowa Finance Authority regarding funds to target unsewered communities on repair or replacement of private sewage disposal systems. Deadline for applications is April 30th. Currently focusing on Morley for approximately 16 homes. Expressed frustration on lack of correspondence from the Iowa Finance Authority and DNR as to the status of the applications. Eric and the board suggested reaching out to Shane Dodge/DNR local field office for information/guidance.

Paula – Provided update on DIA processing fee effective July 1, 2022 for online renewals, 12.94% of LHD contracts, which amounts to approximately 1.32% for Jones County online renewals (\$478.16). Update on recent craft/vendor fair at LCC and issuing temporary food licenses to 2 vendors that actually need a home bakery license as food was not baked on site. Provided information and education to become licensed. Shared that notified today Jones County Health Department/Paula Hart, has been selected as the IEHA Health Department of the Year Award!! The award to be given at the IEHA annual meeting during the Public Health conference in Ames, May 3-6, Paula to attend and receive the award.

Public Health

HACAP – Danielle Pershing – provided updates/overview of 1st Five Program, 0-5 years of age in Jones County. (handout).

Jess – Approve payment to Jones County Family Council for hygiene items for schools, supplies for 60 kits purchased, Jones County Family Council covered \$200 and Public Health to cover the balance.

Motion to approve payment of \$92.24 made by Dr. Oldham, second by Connie, all ayes.

-Request COVID-19 carry-over funds that need to be spent by November 2022, motion to approve \$8,950 made by John, second by Connie, all ayes.

-Request COVID-19 confinement funds and activities, some items are gloves, laptops, for the Jail, motion to approve \$8,332 made by Dr. Oldham, second by John, all ayes.

-Discussion on vaccine equity ad campaign in grocery store TV's, Spanish language and farmer creative ideas at Fareway locations, 3 to 6 months. Motion to approve spending \$4,999 made by Dr. Oldham, second by Connie, all ayes.

-Presented FY23 LPHS work plan as part of the \$56,580 contract, motion to approve made by Dr. Oldham, second by John, all ayes.

-Discussion for LPH disease response team plan for potential disease investigation tasks, bilingual a need for the team. Further investigation needed, board approved.

-Discussion for STD grant application and meeting with Linn County Public Health. Motion to approve grant opportunity with Linn County made by Connie, second by John, all ayes.

-Update on department processes & procedures and 24/7 coverage, motion made by Connie to approve, second by Dr. Oldham, all ayes.

- Approve resignation of Gina Clymer, Community Health Assistant effective April 19, 2022. Motion made by John, second by Connie, all ayes.

Open Discussion – Special meeting Tuesday April 26, 5:30 p.m. at LCC to discuss new Community Health Assistant position.

Next BOH meeting Thursday May 19, at 7:00 pm

Motion to adjourn by Dr. Oldham at 8:38 pm, second by John, all ayes.

Recorded by Paula Hart, Jones County BOH