

**Jones County Board of Health  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
February 16, 2026**

**Members Present:** John Schlarmann, Denny Coon, Dr. Kirk Kilburg **Members Absent:** Dr. Deb Oldham  
**Presenters:** Dustin Hinrichs, Matt Dobler, Julia Steere, Brad Knudson, and Lisa Bogran

Meeting called to order at 6:30p.m.

Motion to approve minutes from the December 29, 2025 meeting made by Denny seconded by John, all aye.

**Linn County Public Health – Dustin Hinrichs, Matt Dobler, Julia Steere**

- Discussion on Environmental Services Contract with Linn County – Dustin Hinrichs made the board aware that currently DIAL is requesting retail contract standards for Jones County. They have never requested this in the past from Jones County. Linn County meets all the standards, but Jones County is separate. Denny made a motion to approve updating service contract with Linn County to amend the Linn County Contract with Food and Hotel Licenses, seconded by Dr. Kilburg, all aye. More information will be provided at the next meeting.
- 8478 Slide Rock Road, Anamosa –Matt Dobler provided a copy of the letter that was sent to the property owners. A Deputy delivered the letter on 2/3/2026. An email reply was sent on 2/6/2026. It stated that they expect to be able to complete the request by June 1, 2026. Lisa was advised not to disclose who brought the matter to the attention of this department. Steve and Linda Hamilton were present and spoke briefly. Matt explained what a Time of Transfer Inspection involves. The minimum maintenance code was briefly talked about, but it will be a long process, if it moves forward.
- Hanna 507 S. Linn Street –A letter was sent to the City of Anamosa regarding 507 S. Linn Street. Brad will follow up with the City Administrator.
- 104 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Onslow – Well Abandonment was completed by the requested deadline.
- Swales Custom Precast Confirmation of Septic Tank Deliveries in Jones County – 2 letters were sent out, an update was provided by Matt. More follow up will be done and an update will be provided next mtg. No motion.
- 45 Maintenance Contract letters were mailed on January 2<sup>nd</sup> with a March 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. A NOV will go out in early March to those who have not responded giving them until April 15<sup>th</sup> and then will be sent to the County Attorney.
- Other Linn County Updates – The Morley Mayor reached out regarding updating more septic systems in Morley. There may be grants or low interest loans to assist. Additional conversations will be had. Matt provided the Jones County Septic and Well permit data from 2025.

**Jones County Environmental Health – Lisa Bogran**

- Board of Health Member Resignation – Connie Goldsmith submitted her resignation from the BOH on Jan. 26, 2026. The Board of Supervisors are aware and the Auditor’s Office has posted the Board of Health Vacancy for interested individuals to apply. More updates will be provided at the next meeting.
- Lisa presented documents that had been signed/submitted/updated since last BOH meeting. The Private Well Grant (PWG) 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Claims, Progress Report, and Proof of Liability were submitted. SAFHER requested the Letterhead be updated and submitted and will be used in the future.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Private Well Grant Updates and Upcoming Requirements were provided by Lisa. There are training opportunities coming up that Lisa may attend: The DNR, Field Office 1, Meeting on March 25<sup>th</sup>. Brad and Lisa will attend the Iowa Public Health Conference held April 7-9<sup>th</sup> in Des Moines. ChemRight Labs increased the price of the water sample bottles from \$20 to \$25 per bottle. Re-evaluating department fees will need to be discussed at a future mtg.
- Other Environmental Health Updates were provided by Lisa. The department budget has been submitted. ISU plans to host the Private Well Stewardship Program in Monticello on April 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:30pm. Lisa plans to be out of the office from March 16<sup>th</sup> through March 20<sup>th</sup> and again June 22<sup>nd</sup> through 26<sup>th</sup>.

### **Jones County Public Health – Brad Knudson**

- Brad provided an update on the PHIG grant work that has been occurring with the State. He provided a handout with the Final Mission, Vision and Values Statements that he has been developing with the assistance of Iowa Health and Human Services. Continuing education is important, there is a Board of Health Onboarding Class that provides beneficial information.
- New Educational Material has been developed. Brad is working with the Cedar County Public Health nurse to deliver the Elderly Scam Prevention training to groups of Seniors in Jones County. Stop the Bleed and TIPS alcohol server trainings are still available in Jones County.
- Other Public Health Updates provided by Brad – Monticello wants a vending machine, similar to the one in the courthouse but located outside. Brad is working with Chief Smith and local individuals on the details. Brad will schedule to present to the Board of Supervisors at the proper time to request using opioid funding for this vending machine. A brief conversation was had regarding the possibility of Public Health offering Drug Testing but probably not an option at this time.

**Open Discussion** – Next meeting will be at the end of March or early April. Lisa will check with members on their availability and determine the next meeting date and will email the members what is determined.

Motion to adjourn by Denny at 8:04p.m. seconded by Dr. Kilburg, all Aye.

Recorded by Lisa Bogran, Jones County BOH Administrator/Jones County Environmental Health Coordinator