



## Muscatine County Board of Health Minutes

Wednesday, September 21, 2022 | 12:00pm | In-Person – 1609 Cedar Street, Muscatine, IA 52761  
& Virtual option - Microsoft Teams meeting

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### Board members

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Brandy Olson, Chair | Brian Wright, Vice Chair | Karen Harper, Secretary

Dr. Michael Maharry, Physician Representative | Chris Scholz

Public Health Director – Christy Roby

Members Present: Brandy Olson (in-person), Brian Wright (virtual), Karen Harper (in-person), Dr. Michael Maharry (virtual), Chris Scholz (virtual-joined at 12:13 pm)

Others Present: Christy Roby (in-person), Rikki Hetzler (in-person), Holly Barrett (in-person), Eric Furnas (virtual), Scott Saur (in-person-12:30pm), Chris Jasper (virtual)

Meeting was called to order at 12:02 pm by Olson

- A. Introduction—Olson initiated an introduction of board members and guests.

Olson asked for a motion to approve 7.20.2022 minutes. Motion by Harper, seconded by Maharry. All ayes; motion carries.

I. Essential Public Health Reports:

A. Public Health Director Update (Roby)

- Shared information about the Local Public Health Collaborative Meeting attended. At this meeting, Local Public Health Officials shared resources and gained ideas from like-sized counties.
  - 10 Essential Public Health Services (revised 2020) <https://vimeo.com/456604095> explains the revision
- Iowa Department of Health and Human Services alignment update – Roby shared new logos as well as draft alignment table
- Back-to-School Health Clinic Update – Held at Public Health on August 9<sup>th</sup>. Provided immunizations, dental services, vision screenings, developmental screenings, and resource navigation. United Way offered backpacks and vouchers for shoes. Vision Center P.C. provided vision screenings. Public Health would like to give a shout out to all our partners for making this a successful event! An After-Action Report (AAR) was completed to assess areas of improvement and greatest need. Public Health would like to make this an annual event. Raffle basket winners were shared on our Facebook page. As a result of the high dental needs, Public Health is offering a dental clinic today from 3-6 pm to provide additional services identified. This will be continued monthly.
- Fireworks Injury Follow-up – From 6/27/2022 to 7/11/2022 the Trinity Muscatine Emergency Department had 777 patient encounters with only 2 of these encounters being fireworks related; both were burns from sparklers.

B. Environmental Health Services (Furnas)

- Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS)— no new updates.
- Grants to County Updates and Action – well testing.
  - FY23 Grants to County Contract \$50,505; Olson made a motion to approve; seconded by Maharry. All ayes;

motion carries.

● Other Updates – Furnas informed the board of a Notice of Non-Compliance of Qualified Staff. Staff needs 12 CEUs per year. In the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter asked to submit CEUs for the previous year. Conference was cancelled so CEUs were not obtained. Furnas has provided corrective action letter to the Iowa Department of Health and Human Services, formerly IDPH, and the team is now compliant.

◦ Public Hearing Request

● Amendments to Muscatine County Private Sewage Disposal System. Furnas informed that BOH needs to hold a Public Hearing for such proposed amendments to private sewage disposal. Olson requested a motion to set hearing to align with the January BOH Meeting on 1/18/2023 at noon. Motion made by Shultz; seconded by Harper. All ayes; motion carries. Furnas asked BOH to consider using BOS space for the January meeting.

C. Communicable Disease Dashboard and Updates (Barrett)

◦ Dashboard Report – Barrett shared report. A suggestion was made to consolidate Public Health data to match age of State reports.

◦ Flu Vouchers Request -- Public Health requests 50 flu vouchers from the Board of Health for the 22'-23' flu season. Harper made a motion to approve this request, seconded by Olson. All ayes; motion carries.

◦ Communicable Disease Updates – Barrett reported COVID cases have dropped drastically because of increased home test use and employers no longer requiring testing. Public Health is currently working to update the “Where to get Vaccine” flyer. Boost doses are available at Public Health 8 am – 4 pm Wednesday and Friday (walk-in). For under 12 years old, please call to schedule.

● Monkeypox – There are no reportable cases for Muscatine County. State data shared by region.

◦ Immunization Audits – Public Health’s Immunization Nurse has scheduled all required audits for schools and childcare to meet the Department of Education requirements. Schools are due 10/28/2022 and childcare centers are due 1/27/2023. All data is entered into the State Immunization Registry (IRIS).

D. New Business (Roby)

◦ New Grants

● Diabetes Grant for Pre-Diabetes Screenings for 18 years and older. The purpose is to get clients referred to prevention programming. Currently, 2 UnityPoint Clinics and 1 University of Iowa Healthcare Clinic is participating. The goal is to reduce diabetes mortality within Muscatine County.

II. Citizens Speak

◦ None.

III. Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, November 16, 2022, at Muscatine County Public Health located at 1609 Cedar Street & Virtual option.

IV. Meeting adjourned by Olson at 1:02 pm.