



## Muscatine County Board of Health Minutes

January 8, 2020 | 12:00pm | Muscatine County Administration Building

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### Board members

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William Koellner, Chairman | Brian Wright, Secretary

Karen Harper | Dr. Michael Maharry, Physician Representative | Brandy Olson

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Members Present: William Koellner, Brian Wright, Karen Harper, Brandy Olson

Others Present: Eric Furnas, Christy Roby Williams, Holly Barrett, Vanessa Leza, Scott Sauer

Visitors Present:

Meeting was called to order at 12:00PM by Koellner.

- I. Motion made by Koellner to approve minutes from the 11/20/2019 meeting. Olson seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.
- II. Koellner requested for citizens to speak. No public comment.
- III. Public Health Report
  - A. Communicable Disease Report- Barrett shared report with BOH. Barrett reported that Tuberculosis is still prevalent and according to this report numbers are going up. Barrett reported that the number of Tuberculosis cases has increased due to treating everyone in households. Olson inquired as to education response to Tuberculosis. Barrett explained that many patients have traveled outside the country and don't realize they have been exposed.
  - B. Flu Vouchers – Barrett reported that a total of 476 vaccines have been given. 30 flu vouchers have been returned. Roby Williams informed the BOH that Public Health will be offering flu vaccines down at MCSA.
- IV. Old Business
  - A. Environmental Services
    - o Environmental Health and Welfare Complaint –Roby Williams received an anonymous complaint in regards to a woman living in Wilton having an excessive number of animals. Roby Williams reached out to Davis and Furnas for assistance on how to deal with this situation. Accompanied by Wilton Police, Furnas and Roby Williams did a welfare check. Allegations were not founded. No nuisance violations or animal waste was to be founded as had been stated.
    - o Other – Furnas has been in contact with DNR concerning a local beef producer that is composting dead birds. Furnas believes this to be a public nuisance violation and smell is prevalent. Koellner suggested that Roby Williams inform Davis, from IDPH, about this issue. Furnas and Roby Williams will set a time to meet and discuss this matter.
  - B. Iowa Department of Public Health's Results
    - o Compliance of Local Public Health Services Contract – Roby Williams presented the BOH with a hard copy of successful review that was done by Davis. Koellner expressed his appreciation for the work that is being done at Public Health.
  - C. Board of Health Membership Appointments & Officers – Roby Williams informed the BOH that Harper and Wright were re-appointed by the Board of Supervisors. Roby Williams recommended Koellner to keep serving as chairperson and Wright as secretary. A motion was made by Wright to keep Koellner as chair person. Olson seconded. All ayes. A motion was made by Harper to keep Wright as secretary. Olson seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

V. New Business

- A. Federally Qualified Health Center – Roby Williams informed the BOH that a Community Health Center will be coming to Muscatine. They will be going in with Robert Young Center. Roby Williams has reached out to their leadership to discuss how Public Health and CHC can collaborate together. Roby Williams will keep BOH updated.
- B. Fireworks – Position Statement Review and Next Steps – Roby Williams presented position statement to receive final approval and recommendations on next steps. BOH members made some suggestions of edits to statement. After making recommended changes Roby Williams will distribute to Muscatine communities, leadership councils, newspapers, social media outlets, law enforcement, health care providers, and surrounding counties. Wright would like to see education be given to those selling and purchasing fireworks.

VI. Next Board Meeting: March 18, 2020 at 12:00PM

- A. Items for Agenda- Maharry requested that a standing agenda item for discussing the handling of fireworks and the effect it has on our community.

VII. Motion Made by Wright to adjourn the meeting at 1:10PM. Olson seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

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William Koellner, Chairman

Brian Wright, Secretary