

Clinton County Board of Health Meeting Minutes  
August 2, 2022

Board of Health Members:

Brian Klostermann, MD, Chairperson, Absent  
Terry Linton, SLP, Secretary, Present  
Paulette Evans, RN, Vice Chairperson, Present  
Robert Hyten, III, DMD, Treasurer Present  
Kimberly Hugo, RN Present  
Stacy Albers, RN, Present, Present  
Deanna Ducomb, MD Present  
James White, Voting County Board Member, Present  
Deb Wesselmann, Ex Officio, Present  
Mike Strieker, Ex Officio, Present  
Bob Netemeyer, Ex Officio, Present

Also Attending:

Chris Leidel, CCHD  
Todd Marver Union Banner  
Bryan Hunt, Breese Journal  
Brad Knolhoff, Clinton County Board

Call To Order

The August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022, meeting of the Clinton County Health Board was called to order at 6:00 PM at the County Board Room by Paulette Evans, Vice Chairperson, in the absence of Dr. Klostermann.

Hearing From the Public

There was no one who wished to address the Board of Health this evening.

Minutes from the June 7, 2022, Board of Health Meeting:

It was noted that Stacy Albers was absent from the June 7, 2022, meeting. James White made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Kimberly Hugo. The motion passed unanimously.

Administrative and Financial Report

Chris Leidel reported a total cash on hand of \$1,123,298.61. All grants were completed by the June 30<sup>th</sup> deadline, and all grants have been written for approval. We are waiting on the state to approve some grants, which is normal.

We continue to struggle with finding a breast feeding counselor, so that grant has not been expended. Chris will continue to seek a counselor.

The COVID cases remain steady at 28.2 cases per 100,000 people. We are also challenged by not knowing true numbers due to home testing availability. ICU bed availability remains steady at 29%.

Cindy Kues has resigned from the Board of Health, and her position will need to be filled. The Board thanks her for her service to the County.

Stacy Albers made a motion to approve the administrative report, seconded by Dr. DuComb. The motion passed unanimously.

## New Business

### a. Vacant Board of Health Seat

We have one applicant for the open board seat, but would like to make it publicly known that there is a seat open, take more applications, and possibly meet the candidates at the next board meeting. James White noted that the board of health makes the recommendation, but the County Board will vote on the recommendation.

We are not yet testing for monkeypox. Transmission is skin to skin, and can be transmitted also by rats. There are limited vaccines, and in order to get a vaccine, an individual must have had close contact. In Illinois, we have about 900 cases documented according to Chris Leidel. It was noted that the 50 year and older population have 85% immunity, because they have had the smallpox vaccine.

## Old Business

### a. Building Committee Update

The corrected square footage, if we use the 'under roof' area would be 3,634 additional square feet of space. Christopher Rural Health would agree to lease the area for between 12 to 18 dollars / square foot a year. (This is according to Christopher Rural Health.) They would prefer a 5 year lease.

There has been some talk of Christopher Rural Health purchasing an existing building in Carlyle. James White noted the concern that they would quickly grow out of our proposed 2<sup>nd</sup> floor space.

After Bob Netemeyer brought up a vacant building proposal by some on the county board. Chris clarified the location as being the old Bretz' building on 50 west. James White then asked about the vacant building has the Board considered purchasing this? Chris noted it had been spoken of in the past but was rejected by former County Boards. Chris noted he was told there were concerns with the extra cost for the second floor, and the possibility of them leaving shortly after the initial lease.

Kimberly Hugo noted that she does not feel the additional space in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor would be 'wasted' as there is always a lack of space.

Chris Leidel presented a brochure for a 'recovery center' in Troy, Mo. (They serve behavioral and substance abuse needs.) He is not promoting this facility, but the brochures will be available.

## Executive Session

There was no need for executive session.

## Adjournment

James White made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Terry Linton. Motion passed unanimously. The next regular meeting of the Board of Health is September 6, 2022.