

Clinton County Board of Health Meeting Minutes
October 5, 2021

Board of Health Members Attending

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

Also Attending:

Chris Leidel, CCHD Admin.
Marian Voss, CCHD
Louise McMinn, CCHD
Brian Hunt, Breese Journal
Todd Marver, Centralia Sentinel

Call To Order

The October 5, 2021, meeting of the Clinton County Health Board was called to order at 6:00 PM at the County Board Room. This meeting was also accessible via ZOOM.

Hearing From the Public

There was no one who wished to address the board this evening.

Minutes of the September 7, 2021 meeting

The minutes of the September 7, 2021 meeting were presented. A motion to approve was made by James White, seconded by Stacy Albers. Motion approved unanimously.

Administrative / Financial Reports

Chris Leidel reported a revenue of \$151,993.71 in September and expenditures of \$91,824.84, for a gain of \$60,165.87 for the month. All grants have been approved and signed for.

The flu vaccine promotion grant will allow us to advertise through the newspapers, Facebook and webpage and also by purchasing a billboard in Breese by Central High School. Flu shots have begun to be administered, and high dose flu shots are available as well.

Clinton County Covid positivity rate as of September 28th, 2021 was 3.3%, the region's is 4.6%. Our number of cases and hospitalizations continue to go down. Covid testing continues at a rate of about 100 per day 4 days a week. (M, T, Th, and F from 9-11)

48.26% of our population was vaccinated against Covid as of September 28th- Illinois vaccine rate is 55.06%. Weekly Wednesday clinics are held at the Health Department from 2-6:30 PM. We will offer booster shot clinics if the demand goes up.

The new Covid grant for the upcoming period through December of 2022 was received today. Most of this grant will go toward salaries. The total of the grant was \$126,000. We have not yet heard the details of the contact tracing grant for the upcoming year.

Cynthia Kues made a motion to approve the financial report, seconded by Kim Hugo. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business

a. Meeting Schedule

Meetings will continue to be held on the first Tuesdays of the month at 6:00 PM. The dates for the 2022 calendar would be:

January 4, 2022

February 1, 2022

March 1, 2022

April 5, 2022

May 3, 2022

June 7, 2022

August 2, 2022

September 6, 2022

October 4, 2022

November 1, 2022

It was agreed that due to the building project, the board should continue monthly meetings, other than July and December.

A motion was made by Paulette Evans, seconded by James White, motion approved unanimously.

Old Business

a. Building Committee Update

Dr. Klostermann noted that to clarify last month's agreement, the Health Board building committee would continue to have input as a partnership with the County Board in the planning process for the new building. There were some concerns with how the County and Health boards would be working together as was stated in newspapers after our last meeting. James White agreed that yes, we need to work together to build a building that works.

Dr. Ducomb read the most recent building committee minutes. (See attached from the building committee).

After presentation of the building committee minutes, there were several questions:

Bob Netemeyer asked if we are not building a facility that would allow for expansion? Dr.

Ducomb stated no, there was 'no fluff' in this building. It is quite basic. She stated that two million dollars was an old figure, and that Mr. Karasek stated 2 million would not build much today. It would take more like 3-4 million.

Another question that arose was regarding the County charging rent to the Health Department for the building. Dr. Ducomb has checked with other counties to see if they paid rent, and one did, but that county offered billable services such as Medicaid services.

James White stated nothing is final regarding rent. This would need to be on the regularly scheduled finance committee meeting agenda and be discussed / voted upon. He doesn't know about utilities. These agreements would need to be put in writing.

Dr. Ducomb has shared the building plans with key stakeholders, such as mental health. They were happy with the floor plan, stressed the need for soundproofing the areas used for mental health.

Paulette Evans stated the building committee was surprised at Larry Johnson's recommendation for the County to charge rent, to the point that they did not even begin discussing the second floor option.

James White asked what our current operating space is? 4,800 sq. feet. The new building would be about 14,000 square feet. (This is with the current 1st floor / basement plan). James White stated that when considering expansion, we need to think not only about space but also salaries / benefits and other needs.

Terry Linton noted that Sean Eifert had reminded us that some services were not sustainable due to expenses / return ratios—dentistry for instance.

Dr. Klostermann noted counseling services have expanded, but psychiatry is lacking in the area, and this is not a service that could be offered 24 / 7 by the health department.

Dr. Ducomb noted that some services like Al-anon just need places to meet, and that is why we currently don't have Al-anon in the county.

Dr. Ducomb reiterated that Mr. Karasek gave the building committee an estimate of 3.5 million. James White noted that if we plan ahead, we could expand later.

Executive Session

There was no executive session this evening.

Adjourn

James White made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Cynthia Kues. Motion passed unanimously.