

**VERMILION COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
Tuesday, June 18, 2024
200 S. College St. Danville, IL 61832
Conference Room
6:00 PM**

Roll call of members:

Present: Brad Gross, John Hart, Connie Ostrander, Celeste Widolff, Steve Laker,
Dr. Karen Broaders, Carla Priest, Paulina Padjen, Phillip Jackson
Phone: Jane Cooney
Absent: Sabeeha Haque,

With a verified quorum present and a board member remotely attending, the President of the Board of Health, Brad Gross called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Approval of Agenda:

The President of the Board of Health Brad Gross then called for a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion: Carla Priest
Second: Paulina Padjen

The motion was carried unanimously as follows:

Brad Gross	Yes
John Hart	Yes
Connie Ostrander	Yes
Celeste Widolff	Yes
Stephen Laker	Yes
Dr. Karen Broaders	Yes
Carla Priest	Yes
Jane Cooney	Yes
Paulina Padjen	Yes
Phillip Jackson	Yes

Approval of minutes:

President Gross called for a motion to approve the minutes of April 18, 2024 meeting.

Motion: John Hart
Second: Connie Ostrander

The motion was carried unanimously as follows:

Brad Gross	Yes
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John Hart	Yes
Connie Ostrander	Yes
Celeste Widolff	Yes
Stephen Laker	Yes
Dr. Karen Broaders	Yes
Carla Priest	Yes
Jane Cooney	Yes
Paulina Padjen	Yes
Phillip Jackson	Yes

Audience Comments

There were no audience comments.

Fiscal Status:

The Board reviewed the attached Budget Performance Report, Income Statement, and the Balance Sheet from April and May 2024 as presented by the Administrative Services Director, Clayton Fauver. Balance sheets and Income statements are attached. Clayton Fauver stated that the Health Department was solid, he has no concerns for expenditures at this point, but is watching travel expenses. The tax levy should be coming soon.

Approval of Budget and Expenditure Report for April/May 2024

The President of the Board of Health Brad Gross then called for a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion: Steve Laker
 Second: John Hart

The motion was carried unanimously as follows:

Brad Gross	Yes
John Hart	Yes
Connie Ostrander	Yes
Celeste Widolff	Yes
Stephen Laker	Yes
Dr. Karen Broaders	Yes
Carla Priest	Yes
Jane Cooney	Yes
Paulina Padjen	Yes
Phillip Jackson	Yes

State and Federal grant updates:

WIC grant was up \$50,000, Health Protection grant was at \$305,000, PHEP grant is \$65,909, received a new Respiratory grant of \$250,000 over 2 years beginning 7/1/24. This grant is for respiratory surveillance and will be basic revenue. VCHD has already completed five out of the six deliverables. Clayton has talked to the treasurer.

County fiscal update:

Pastor Phil stated that the County fiscal was doing very well. The County Board of Commissioners had approved four out of five air conditioning units and making sure that all the county buildings are being taken care of.

Program Updates

Program updates are attached in detail.

PHA Comments/Items of Information

Dr. Danso presented a demonstration of the new Plum Case that VCHD purchased for \$17,000.00 with PHEP funds. The Plum Case will be used for emergency preparedness situations as a backup internet source, or for staff on field trips in need of internet access and happen to be at a cell tower dead spots for services. The Plum Case will allow fifty users to access internet services within a 10-mile radius.

VCHD will be researching a generator and air conditioner, and cooler for vaccine to be used in the event of a disaster.

Faulstich Printing is printing and mailing VCHD fliers. These fliers will go to all residential houses via specific mail routes in the City of Danville and two routes in Tilton. The cost of printing and mailing was very reasonable. We are targeting specific areas that will benefit from VCHD services. There was discussion of adding a QR code that would take them directly to our Facebook Page to the flyer. This may be something that we will want to do in the next batch sent out.

Dr. D updated the Board on West Nile disease in Illinois. There are 11 counties in Illinois which reported cases of West Nile disease, Vermilion County is not one of them.

Dr. D updated the Board on Bird Flu. H5N1 virus, cows are being infected. Raw milk should be boiled before drinking. One of the symptoms is conjunctivitis.

The Health Department is moving forward with digitizing all documents and forms. VCHD time sheets are almost ready for staff to begin using and will be electronically signed. We are also in the process of digitizing all archive documents as well as current documents.

Pictures of the basement renovations were handed out to Board members. This project is still a work in progress but much improved at this point. There are 3 more rooms to be completed. During the renovation process boxes were found that contained historical documents from 1923.

Mr. Laker stated that they were from the TB sanitarium. These documents are now located in Dr. D's office.

Dr. D is talking to Chairman, Larry Baughn regarding purchasing vehicles for the Health Department. The Health Department is reviewing travel expenses, which has become a

major concern. Health Department vehicles would also help with outreach, they would be like a moving billboard.

STI update: Renovations will begin in July-August and will be ready in time for September roll out for services. The county will hire the provider as a county employee for insurance purposes. Dr. D will be meeting with Larry Baughn soon to lock down the amount of money needed. The department originally asked for \$100,000 but the need has now increased to \$150,000. The Health and Education meeting was cancelled in June, the next meeting will be in July.

New Business:

No executive session

An executive session was held at this meeting “Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting. As allowed by the Illinois Open Meeting Act, (5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (11).”

Items of Information:

The next meeting will be Tuesday, July 16, 2024, at 6:00 PM at the Health Department.

The President of the Board Brad Gross, asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Celeste Widolff
Second: Carla Priest

The motion was carried unanimously.

Respectfully
submitted,

Clayton Fauver
Recording Secretary,

Carla Priest
Secretary, Board of Health