

APPROVED MINUTES

Board of Health

Wednesday December 11, 2019 @ 5:00 PM Health & Human Services Building – Room 2001 303 West Chapel Street Dodgeville, WI 53533

Iowa County Wisconsin

For information regarding access for the disabled, please call 935-0399 1 Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Linda Pittz at 5:01 PM Roll Call was taken. Members present: Bruce Paull, Tom Howard, Tom Forbes, Joan Davis, Linda 2 Pittz . Members absent: Judy Lindholm, Sue Steudel. Others present: Sue Matye, Director/Health Officer; Steve Deal, County Board Member; Geana Shemak, HeART Coordinator. **Approve the agenda for this December 11, 2019 meeting.** Forbes moved to approve the agenda. Paull 3 seconded the motion. Motion passed. **Approve the minutes of the November 19, 2019 meeting.** Paull moved to approve the minutes. Davis 4 seconded the motion. Motion passed. Report from committee members and an opportunity for members of the audience to address the 5 **board.** No action will be taken. There was no report from committee members. **HeArt Coalition Update.** Geana Shemak (HeART Program Coordinator) addressed the board regarding 6 the purpose and goals of the Iowa County HeART program and distributed a written summation of past activities and future plans for the program. Environmental Program Update. Health Department Director Sue Matye gave an update on the Dodgeville "Fentanyl House" – the house is in the receiving/owning bank's hands, the bank has hired a company to conduct the clean-up of the house and property, the property is being cleaned with a 14% 7 hydrogen peroxide cleaning agent. She also reported on possible future activity to be carried out on a home in Mineral Point and a couple of vacant homes in the county to be re-inspected. Communicable Disease/Influenza Activity Report. Director Matye reported that as of the week ending November 30, our section of the state is at "moderate" stage of influenza cases, with some influenza B circulating as well as type A. She said that 33% of the state (above last season) had received annual influenza vaccinations, with 38% in our region. Those 65 and older had the highest rates. Director Matye reported that adenovirus was present on some state college campuses and that (once again) romaine lettuce appears to be the culprit in some cases of E.coli in the state, with 33 cases being reported across Wisconsin.

	Director/Health Officer Transition Discussion. Board Chair Pittz stated that some of the initial applicants withdrew from consideration for the position but it appears that there are 3 or 4 new applicants.
9	Forbes made the following motion, seconded by Howard: "At some point during the interview process of hiring a Health Officer/Director of Iowa County Health Department a representative should be utilized with background knowledge in public health to assist with and be present in the interview process" Motion carried unanimously.
	Director Matye said she had discussed with Larry Bierke the possibility of her continuing to do some work (amount to be determined) beyond her final employment date to facilitate the transition process.
10	Monthly Report: Copies of the monthly report were distributed. Director Matye reported that nothing stood out as remarkable.
11	Next Meeting Date: To be announced. Director Matye will contact Board members regarding suggested time/date for the next meeting.
12	Adjournment : Davis moved to adjourn. Forbes seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 5:54 PM.

Minutes submitted by Tom Howard, Iowa County Board of Health secretary