Minutes

Marion County Board of Health

February 18, 2025 at 5:00 pm

In attendance: Dr. Timothy McCoy, Joni Hannon RN, Dan VanderBeek, Nicole Steddom, Kisha Jahner. Staff Members present: Linsey Spoelstra

The meeting was called to order by Chair Joni Hannon at 5:06pm. Motion by Jahner to accept February 18, 2025 agenda. Support by VanderBeek. M/C Ayes all

Public Comments: None

Motion to approve the consent agenda by VanderBeek. Support by Jahner. M/C Ayes all.

Environmental Health report as written by EH staff member Cameron Kleinschmidt is in the packet. Motion by VanderBeek to receive and file. Support by McCoy. M/C Ayes all.

Discussion around changes to Environmental and Public Health FY26 budgets. The Board of Supervisors requested a change from 4% staff raises to 3%. The budgets before the Board of Health reflect this decrease as well as subsequent changes in FICA/IPERS. There was also a change in budgeted health insurance amounts since the quote came back lower than originally expected. Discussion around countywide salary study planned for sometime this year to be handled by an outside firm. Motion to accept the changes to both PH/EH budgets by VanderBeek. Support by Steddom. M/C Ayes all.

Report on federal funding freeze. So far our directions from the state of Iowa staff is to continue with business as usual. We have not received anything from them to indicate otherwise.

State of Iowa PH staff has offered new board member orientation. Board members agreed something they could look over on their own time/bullet point highlights would be helpful. Spoelstra to pass this information along to state staff.

Spoelstra reports program/staffing/grant writing/building updates:

- HPP and HRSA applications have both been submitted.
- PHEP application is due late February.
- EH Manager position has been offered to and accepted by Cameron Kleinschmidt.
 He will begin his new role on February 24. Spoelstra to post EH Field Assistant position.
- Board of Supervisors has requested a space study be completed on all county office space. Through talks with Facilities Director, it sounds like county staff may be moving to the 2003 N Lincoln building. Nothing has been presented or decided at this point but will be presented at the next BOS meeting. Spoelstra to have an update at next BOH meeting.

Motion to adjourn at 5:36pm by Jahner. Support by VanderBeek.