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Board of Health Minutes

July 21, 2026
5:06 pm – 6:32 pm
Marion County Public Health Department and Virtually
2003 N Lincoln
Knoxville, IA

Vander Beek called the meeting to order at 5:06pm. Present: Dr. Tim McCoy, Dan Vander Beek Virtually Present: Kisha Jahner, Nicole Bryant
Absent: Joni Hannon Staff present: Christina Van Vark, Linsey Spoelstra Public Present: Alesia Houser, Katherine Smith Public Virtually Present:
Lauren Asman

Public comments: Lauren Asman gave an update on behalf of Employee and Family Resources – grant outcomes were met for all block grants, offering marijuana and drug prevention programs, opioid response program requires 48 trainings before the end of the grant year, they are currently at 42.

Motion to approve the consent agenda by Dr. McCoy. Support by Jahner. Motion carried, ayes all.

American Home Finding Association staff (Katherine Smith, Alesia Houser) were present to review the Quarter 1/2/3 reports for MCAH. Participation is higher and another clinic will be added to the Marion County schedule. I-Smile @ School services offered in Marion County totaled \$7,346 which is higher than last fiscal year. Discussions regarding dental offices no longer taking Medicaid and where to send clients, some are travelling as far as Des Moines for dental care. Motion to close discussion by Dr. McCoy. Support by Jahner. Motion carried, ayes all.

Environmental Health report was reviewed. Year end numbers for septic permits was 158, about 20 more than last fiscal year. Maintenance agreement monitoring continues. Septic contractors who have approved applications for FY27 include: A-1 Complete Septic Service, B&B Construction, Bob's Septic, Certified Septic, DC Underground, Peterson Tiling & Excavating, Roger's Septic, Rose Construction, and Shilling Excavating. Motion by Jahner to receive and file the EH report. Support by Bryant. Motion carried, ayes all.

Clifton and Kathy Douglas have requested to install a holding tank on their property. There is a shop with a toilet, no home. EH staff have been on site and recommend approval of this request. Motion to approve holding tank request by Dr. McCoy. Support by Bryant. Motion carried, ayes all.

Kyle DeBruin is a newly certified septic contractor and has submitted an application to install systems in Marion County. His application and references were supplied to the Board for consideration. Motion to approve DeBruin to install in Marion County by Jahner. Support by Dr. McCoy. Motion carried, ayes all.

Dubuque County Public Health has requested edits to the 28E Agreement for Combat Cancer. Edits were supplied to the Board and reviewed. Motion to approve the edits presented by Dr. McCoy. Support by Bryant.

Marion County Compensation Plan was discussed. Bryant had reviewed the policy and presented her suggestions. Jahner requested the Board wait for input from Marion County Attorney prior to approving. Motion to close discussion by Dr. McCoy. Support by Jahner.

Spoelstra introduced a discussion regarding the Iowa HHS plan to align Public Health departments and the RFP that will be released later this year. The timeline for this process was reviewed as well as the information released up to this point. The Board decided to wait until the RFP has been released to move forward. Motion to close discussion by Jahner. Support by Bryant. Motion carried, ayes all.

FY27 Head Start Contract has been received and signed. No changes from previous years. Motion to receive and file by Dr. McCoy. Support by Jahner.

FY27 Tobacco contracts has been received and signed. The only change from last year is an increase in funding to \$35,116.25. Motion to receive and file by Jahner. Support by Dr. McCoy.

There is a court order to clean the property located at 1756 Stone Street in Marion County. This property has been in our code violation process for quite some time. Jahner requested we ask for bids to be received and accepted during the August Board of Health meeting. Motion to request and receive bids to clean this property by Dr. McCoy. Support by Jahner.

Director updates regarding Combat Cancer and the progress being made.

Next meeting is August 18, 2026 at 5:00pm.

Motion to adjourn at 6:32pm by Jahner, support by Bryant. Motion carried, ayes all.

Recorder, Linsey Spoelstra