**Board of Health Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday November 16, 2022**

Dr. Wells called the meeting to order at 8:30 am. Present was Clayton Merritt, Penny Fetters, Shelley Bickel, Susie Gibbs, David Rhoades, Charlotte Van Fleet and Dr. Joel Wells. Chris Moore was absent due to a meeting.

Clayton made a motion to approve the agenda, Susie seconded it. All in favor. Motion carried.

Penny made a motion to approve the November 16,2022 minutes. Clayton seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Clayton made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Susie seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried. There are no changes to any policies currently, and no new policies currently.

New BOS board member Chris Moore will be finishing out Tom Swearingin’s term till December 31,2023. The board would like to welcome Chris.

Clayton made a motion to elect Dr. Wells as Chairman of the Board of Health and Susie seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Penny made a motion to elect Penny to be Vice-Chairman of the Board of Health and Susie seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board members signed the Code of Ethics and Conflict of Interest forms.

David Rhoades presented his data and financials and updated board on 2 court cases. Clayton made a motion to approve the Environmental Health Budget for 2023-2024. Penny seconded the motion. All approved. Motion carried.

Shelley gave updates on home care. Matrix system and that it was going very well. Shelley received the IT grant close to 100 thousand, so I am paying our Matrix monthly cost, paid for all the iPad for nurses to use in the homes. We purchased the new t.v. white board. We can do zoom meetings or any trainings. We will also be purchasing a new copier/printer. We are still working in Care facts which is our old software, due to outstanding billing that Linda is still working on. Shelley would like to have all the outstanding bills in care facts done by July 1,2023 latest by next December. Matrix has been paying better and less denials. We are getting paid a lot faster with new software. PA and NP can now sign their own orders and make referrals instead of just the doctors. Shelley discussed the Vision Project. The foundation is working on getting donations for this project. Shelly submitted for a grant to Casey’s for around 37 thousand in November 2022 and will know in March 2023 if we receive the money. Shelley also submitted to the University of IA last week for 3 thousand for rural areas to pay for glasses. Susan is collaborating with the schools to do vision screening this month thru March, for first, third and seventh grade students. Matura which was called WIC program also pays for Susan to work their clinics. Shelley signed a contract with Taylor County for Maternal Child Health so they will give referrals to Susan to follow up so that she can do them at their clinic or into their homes or our office. Nine to Thrive is going very well. Jessica is also in charge of delivering baby bags to the hospital to give to new parents. We received 35 hundred for car seats, and 1 thousand dollars for the diaper grant. The Board of Supervisor meeting was voted to change to every other Tuesday starting at 10 am. Susan is certified and is doing drug testing for the bus drivers at schools. Shelley is working on a grant to purchase AED’S.

Clayton made a motion to approve the 2023/2024 Budget with removing the rent expense of 1050.00. Susie seconded the motion. All in Favor. Motion carried.

Next meeting will be on Wednesday, March 15, 2023, at 8:30 am.

Clayton made a motion to adjourn, and Susie seconded it. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:40 am.

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