

4th Floor Conference Room

Boone County Courthouse

- I. **Call Meeting to Order:** by Dr. Mehlhaus at 5:30 pm
- II. **Attendance:** Present: Dr. Mehlhaus, Kristine Johansen, Kriss Haglund, Gary Nystrom. Absent: Shawn Bryant.
Additional Attendees:
Debi Pestotnik, Public Health Administrator.
Ed Tharp, Code Enforcement Officer.
- III. **Changes & Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes (07/15/2024).**
 - Motion by Kristine Johansen, 2nd by Kriss Haglund to approve minutes as submitted. The vote was unanimous; Motion carried.
- IV. **Changes & Approval of Meeting Agenda**
 - Motion by Gary Nystrom, 2nd by Kristine Johansen to approve agenda and agenda changes. The vote was unanimous, Motion carried.
- V. **Open Public Hearing(s) and Consideration of Request(s)**
 - A. None.
- VI. **Unfinished (Old) Business**
 - A. Ed Tharp – Secretary- Boone County Board of Health.
He gave a brief explanation of the Opioid Settlement Fund balance with a handout to the board members. He said that the City of Boone had not deposited the check for 3850.00 from 06/05/2024. This would make the total amount in the Auditor’s column on the handout correct.
- VII. **New Business.**

- A. Sondra Donald, Boone County Hospital Director of Pharmacy.
Gave a presentation about the hospital's safe storage of controlled substances that are used in the hospital. She talked about how drug diversion is best defined as theft of medications. She said that addiction is the continued use of a substance with a physical or psychological dependence and it is why individuals engage in drug diversion. She talked about the C2 Safe at the hospital where all the controlled substances are stored and how it is a key component to diversion prevention at the hospital. It works with their Pyxis automated dispensing machines to control the controlled substance restocking process. She then talked about an upgrade to the software can improve the ability of the machine for inventory purposes and reporting. She then presented to the board members the costs of the upgrades to the C2 Safe lease. She answered question that the board members had and then thanked them for being able to present this information to them and to be considered for funding.

Dr. Brian Mehlhaus then entertained a motion to table the decision on funding for the Boone County Hospital C2 Safe until next meeting, due to lack of information on how much is available in the Opioid Settlement Fund. Motion by Gary Nystrom, 2nd by Kristine Johansen to table funding for the Boone County Hospital until next meeting. The vote was unanimous, Motion carried.

VIII. Department Update

- A. Public Health Department Report – Debi Pestotnik, Public Health Administrator talked about her replacement. On January 1st she was retiring and there were a few things that had to be done at or by next meeting. All the contracts that she is the signatory for must be resigned and the new person must be voted in as the new signatory for the board of health. She said that one long term care facility in the county has an outbreak of Covid and that they have all the protocols in place. There

should be people coming out of Isolation today. She had four cases last week that she thought that maybe something was wrong with one of the vaccines. When she investigated it, the first two were vaccinated and the last two were unvaccinated. She also said that they had some e-coli cases but that was common. They did nights on the green in August, when it was back at the farm progress show. They had their computers out there with all the information about back-to-school vaccines. The vaccine clinic in August was busy. She said we did all three days at the farm progress show with Story County and had a lot of information out there.

They are having a resource fair coming up on October 9th for seniors and RSVP has a grant for 150 pairs of shoes for seniors it will be called Samaritans Feet for Seniors. They will distribute 150 pairs of shoes to seniors that can't afford a good steady pair of walking shoes. They want to help seniors that have balance problems. She said that they have 104 seniors were signed up. This will be from 3pm to 5pm on October 15th at the Eastern Star Wellness Center. She also said that they are starting school and daycare audits.

B. Health and Sanitation Department Report.

Ed Tharp, Code Enforcement Officer.

Gave an update on septic systems in the county that have been installed. He said that they have approximately 82 permits and around 45 of them are in the ground. He talked about a few of the houses that are being built have stop working on them and he didn't know why. He said that he had still been busy with well testing and well plugging's with the grants through the state. He talked about the septic system class that he invited the board members to through DMACC. Some of the board members were not going to be able to go to the class but wanted to know if they could in the future attend it on zoom or if it is recorded somewhere, and he said he would find out. He told the board, and they agreed that it would be a good thing, and it would give them more knowledge of how it all works.

He also said that he would have an update on all the well testing and plugging for the last quarter next meeting along with the information on the Opioid Settlement Fund account and what they have awarded and what is available.

IX. Adjournment

Dr. Brian Mehlhaus entertained a motion to adjourn. Motion by Kriss Haglund, 2nd by Kristine Johansen to adjourn the meeting at 6:11pm. The vote was unanimous, Motion carried.

Next Meeting November 18th, 2024, 5:30 p.m. at Boone County Courthouse: 4th Floor Conference Room.

Respectfully Submitted

Ed Tharp, Secretary.