

Bremer County Board of Health
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The Bremer County Board of Health regular meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Dr. Courtney Bochmann at 6:31 PM on November 6, 2024. The meeting was held at the Bremer County Health Department located at 403 3rd Street SE. in Waverly.

The board of health members present were Dr. Courtney Bochmann, Amanda Gesme, Dewey Hildebrandt, and Dr. Joe Sampson. Board member, Sally Yungtum, was absent. Lindsey Koehler and Lindley Sharp were also in attendance.

Motion by Hildebrandt, second by Dr. Sampson, to approve the November 6, 2024, agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Hildebrandt, second by Gesme, to approve the minutes from the September 4, 2024, regular meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

No public comment was received.

Lindsey Koehler, Bremer County Building, Zoning, and Sanitation, presented a preliminary plat for Aesthetic Elements, Inc., Antler Ridge Subdivision. Koehler shared that the preliminary plat was for 11 lots with a size requirement of two-acre minimum. Koehler shared that there was a variance for the two-acre minimum for lots one and two based on the irregular shape of the parcels. These lots would have to be on rural water because of their size while the rest of the lots have an option for rural water. Motion by Gesme, second by Dr. Sampson to approve the preliminary plat for Aesthetic Elements, Inc., Antler Ridge Subdivision. The motion carried unanimously.

Koehler also gave a Grants to Counties contract update for Fiscal Year 2024 (FY24), Quarters three and four, and Fiscal Year 2025 (FY25), quarter one. In quarter three of FY24, 14 wells were tested for nitrates, coliform, and Ecoli, and 15 wells were tested for arsenic and manganese. In quarter four of FY24, three wells were plugged, 31 wells were tested for nitrates, coliform, and Ecoli, 26 wells were tested for arsenic and manganese, and one well was shocked. The total spending in FY24 for the contract was \$25,138.82. For the first quarter of FY25, one well was plugged, 48 wells were tested for nitrates, coliform, and Ecoli, 37 wells were tested for arsenic and manganese, and one well was shocked. Koehler exited the meeting after her update.

Lindley Sharp presented the Bremer County Health Department budget and finances report for July 2024 through October 2024. Motion by Dr. Sampson, second Hildebrandt, to accept the budget and finances report as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Sharp gave a department update for the period covering September 2024 through October 2024. This update primarily covered the fiscal year 2025 (FY25) contract and other department updates including Iowa Health and Human Services System Alignment updates and meetings attended, discussed open public health nurse position interviews conducted, and outcome of the 2024 licensed child care and K-12 immunization audits in Bremer County. Sharp also shared department activities in the areas of assessment, policy development, and assurance.

Sharp presented an FY25 contract amendment for the 500532-Emergency Response Multi-Year Program for Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza. Sharp stated the amendment was for an additional \$25,000 for FY25 to be spent by June 30, 2024, to focus on dairy farmworker seasonal influenza

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vaccination initiatives. The board reviewed and discussed focus areas and allowable activities for expenditures under this amendment including education and vaccination. Motion by Hildebrandt and second by Dr. Sampson to accept the amendment to the Emergency Response Multi-Year contract. The motion carried unanimously.

Sharp presented the Fiscal Year 2024 Bremer County Health Department Annual Report. Hildebrandt recommended that the verbiage of “Income Statements” be changed to “Financial Information”. Sharp stated she would make the recommended changes and upload the report the Bremer County website. Motion by Hildebrandt and second by Gesme to accept the fiscal year 2024 annual report with recommended changes. The motion carried unanimously.

The next regular Board of Health meeting will be held on January 15, 2025, at 6:30 PM at the Bremer County Health Department office located at 403 3rd St. SE, Waverly, IA 50677.

Motion by Hildebrandt, second by Dr. Bochmann, to adjourn the November 6, 2024, regular meeting at 7:35 PM. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lindley Sharp

Lindley Sharp, Secretary