

**Bremer County Board of
Health
415 East Bremer Avenue
Waverly, IA 50677
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The Bremer County Board of Health regular meeting was called to order by Chair Sally Yungtum at 6:26 PM on November 12, 2025. 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, Dr. Joe Sampson, and Sally Yungtum. Lindsey Koehler and Lindley Sharp were also in attendance.

Motion by Hildebrandt, seconded by Gesme, to approve the November 12, 2025, agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Dr. Sampson, seconded by Dr. Bochmann, to approve the minutes from the September 10, 2025, regular meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

No public comment was received.

Lindley Sharp presented the Bremer County Handbook Policy 2.6: Evaluations. Sharp stated that the policy states that Boards and Commissions must complete an annual evaluation of the Department Head. Yungtum reported that Sharp's evaluation had been completed before the meeting. A motion was made by Dr. Bochmann and seconded by Dr. Sampson to accept the Bremer County Evaluation Policy. The motion carried unanimously. Chair Yungtum signed the policy.

Lindsey Koehler provided a Grants to Counties Fiscal Year 2026 Quarter 1 update. Koehler stated that one well had been plugged, one well had been reconstructed, and 50 water tests were completed. Koehler also shared that she asked for a reallocation of funds in the amount of \$10,000 for PFAS (Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances)/PFOAS (a specific PFAS compound) testing, which costs approximately \$388 per test. Hildebrandt asked what PFAS/PFOAS were, and Dr. Bochmann and Koehler shared education that they are synthetic "forever" chemicals known for their persistence in the environment due to man-made products that repel water, grease, and stains. They are common in nonstick cookware, stain-resistant fabrics/carpets, food packaging, firefighting foams, and cosmetics and personal care products. Koehler exited after her update.

Sharp provided a budget and financial update covering July through October 2025. Dr. Bochmann asked if the department's expenses were tracking in line with the approved budget, or if a variance was anticipated. Sharp stated that a variance was not anticipated at this time. Motion by Hildebrandt, seconded by Dr. Bochmann, to accept the budget and finances report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Sharp provided a departmental update covering the period of September 1 through October 31, 2025. The update included information on radon kit distribution, communicable disease investigations, vaccines administered, community events attended, program activities, and funding changes to an existing contract.

Sharp presented the Fiscal Year 2025 Annual Report for the department. The report highlighted progress on the Community Health Improvement Plan, key performance indicators from social media and service delivery programs, and an overview of fiscal year expenditures and revenues. A motion was made by Gesme and seconded by Dr. Sampson to approve the FY25 Annual Report. The motion carried unanimously.

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The next regular Board of Health meeting will be held on January 14, 2026, at 6:30 PM at the Bremer County Health Department office located at 403 3rd St. SE, Waverly, IA 50677.

Hildebrandt moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 PM. Dr. Bochmann seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lindley Sharp

Lindley Sharp, Secretary