

Iron County Board of Health Meeting Minutes
Tuesday July 14, 2020
Schomburg Park Pavilion

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:06 pm by Brandon Snyder, Board Chair. Roll call taken.
 - A. Present: Kathy Byrns, Brandon Snyder, James Rocco, MD, Joe Pinardi, Zona Wick, Paul Hagemann, Tanner Hiller, Tom Thompson
 - B. Also, Present: Katie Hampston, Denise Lotzer, Liana Saari, Melissa Geach
 - C. Absent: None
2. Katie Hampston acknowledged that the meeting was properly posted.
3. Motion by Paul Hagemann to approve agenda as presented, Second by Kathy Byrns.
4. Motion by Kathy Byrns to approve meeting minutes from May 26, 2020, with correction to line 3 regarding chairman nominations. Second by Tanner Hiller. All ayes. Motion carried.
5. COVID update provided
 - A. Testing:
 - i. National Guard Mission to come to both Hurley and Mercer to offer free testing. Currently under planning. Looking to do this in the last 2 weeks of July.
 - ii. Long term testing- Frequent partner meeting to continue to follow best practice for testing protocol and monitor supply. Partners Include Marshfield Clinic, Ascension, Ashland MMC, Aspirus, and The NorthLakes
 - iii. Contact Tracing: description of contact tracing and protocols provided. Of note the information provided to the health department is what is followed up on. If people are not honest it is difficult to contain potential spread. These interviews are important to help control spread in communities.
 - iv. Reviewed other response assistance that the health department continues to push out, frequent communication to public regarding number of cases, website update, work with schools, Business Toolkit was created and is provided to any business that requests or that has positive cases with in business.
 - v. Mask Advisory:
 1. Hampston recommendation was made to issue a mask advisory, requesting board support. Tanner Hiller reports that he is supportive of this motion as long as it is not “mandatory”.
 2. Motion by Paul Hagemann to create mask advisory, Second by Joe Pinardi. Roll Call:
 - a. Brandon Snyder: yes
 - b. Kathy Byrns: yes
 - c. Tom Thompson: yes

- d. Tanner Hiller: yes
 - e. Joseph Pinardi: yes
 - f. Dr. Rocco: yes
 - g. Paul Hagemann: yes
 - h. Zona Wick: yes
6. Approval of Temporary Public Health Consult/Contact Tracers/Public Information Officer positions:
 - A. Motion to Approve: Paul Hagemann
 - B. 2nd : Dr. James Rocco
7. Public Comment:
 - A. Discussion around providing positive COVID-19 patients addresses and names to all EMS. Health Department provided information that this address list and names is securely shared with central dispatch at Iron County Sheriffs Department and that guidance from state and legal is that this is allowed by HIPPA laws. Confirmed that health department did verify that all EMS/First Responder calls in Iron County go through Central Dispatch; the address is then flagged in the system so if a report to that address comes through the responder is to be notified.
 - i. Motion by Tanner Hiller to require the Iron County Health Department to provide a list of all positive COVID-19 patients to all area EMS/First Responder Supervisors: Mercer EMS, Beacon Ambulance, Saxon/Gurney, Town of Sherman.
 1. 2nd by: Tom Thompson
 - ii. Roll call vote:
 1. Brandon Snyder: No
 2. Kathy Byrns: No
 3. Thomas Thompson: Yes
 4. Tanner Hiller: Yes
 5. Joseph Pinardi: No
 6. Dr. James Rocco: Yes
 7. Paul Hagemann: No
 8. Zona Wick: No
 - a. Motion Fails.
 - B. Adam Kussard-Mercer: spoke about needing to support the public health financially
 - C. Zona Wick spoke about being happy to come back and help support the health department in these really busy times. Board packets of information regarding the boards roll and WI state statues were also provided to the board.
 - D. Discussion that next meeting will be via zoom.
8. Next Meeting August-location ZOOM
9. Motion by Kathy Byrns to adjourn the meeting at 6:17pm. Second by Hagemann. All ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Hampston, BSN, RN
Health Officer

