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**BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
June 13, 2023**

BOH Members Present: Greg Barnett, Deb Gayer, Chris Showalter, Dr. Lindstrom, Joyce Dickes

Others Present: Jennifer Becker, Tammy Fleshner

Visitors Present: Erin Barkema, State of Iowa; Carol Miller, Mindi Watters, NICA0

The regular meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. at the EOC Meeting Room by Greg Barnett. No public comment was heard.

The Staff of North Iowa Community Action Organization gave reports on the programs that they provide to Butler County residents. See Minutes for brochures of each program.

Chris Showalter made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, and this was seconded by Deb Gayer. Motion carried.

Joyce Dickes made a motion to approve the previous meeting's minutes, and this was seconded by Greg Barnett. Motion carried.

The updated Financial Report was distributed. Dr. Lindstrom made a motion to approve the following claims: 3-7-23, 3-14-23, 3-21-23, 4-4-23, 4-18-23, 4-25-23, 5-2-23, 5-16-23, 5-23-23, 5-30-23, 6-6-23, 6-13-23 and 6-20-23, and this was seconded by Chris Showalter.

As Misty is on vacation this week, she sent information out to all of the Board members. See attached notes. Greg Barnett signed the Pumper Contract that she had sent out.


Jennifer Becker gave the Program Updates as follows:

1. All grant applications have been submitted to the State and we are awaiting their approval. Some revisions needed to be made on the Care For Yourself and Substance Abuse grants, but they were completed and submitted on time.
2. We made 436 Home Health visits in May, which is an increase from 408 visits in April.
3. The Butler County Fair is next week. Jennifer and Nancy will be attending in the afternoons and providing information to the public about the various programs that we offer. Nancy has lots of giveaways planned. Misty will also be at the fair booth and will be signing up people for free water tests.
4. Currently we have an ecoli case in the county that is a healthcare worker. She has to have 2 negative stool samples separated by at least 24 hours before she can return to work. So far, all stool samples have been positive, and this is week 4. Two samples were sent in again this morning.
5. There have been multiple animal bites in the county since warm weather arrived. Most of these have been dog bites. Currently Jennifer is following 2 dog bites and hopes to be able to clear them on Thursday and Friday.
6. Nancy Hemann reported to Jennifer about the Tobacco Prevention Program and the Kids Fest which was held on April 29th. This event is sponsored by the Butler County Visions of Well Being and draws over 75 families, and a total of 300 citizens. Nancy again used her super hero theme with drawstring bags, stadium cups, and a photo op. New this year was MLMQ – My Life, My Quit, which is a program that is more geared to teens. Thirteen agencies participated in this event.

7. We are almost completely moved into the new building. The phones will get switched to the new building on Thursday, and Sara will be moving the computers, printers and copier. On Friday, we have scheduled some help from Secondary Road personnel to move the filing cabinets and other big storage cupboards that we are taking. We plan to have an open house in the fall. A tour will be given at the end of this meeting to anyone that is interested.

The next meeting will be scheduled for Tuesday, August 8th at 4:00 p.m. at the EMA Meeting Room. The meeting was adjourned and a tour of the new building was given.

Submitted by Tammy Fleshner, for



Joyce Dickes