

**BOARD OF HEALTH COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
October 12, 2021**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chairperson Tom Kelly, Vice Chair Steven Schreier, Ryan Zietlow, Billy Fried, Mike Roach, Dr. Amy Slette

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS EXCUSED:** Marcy Davies

**STAFF PRESENT:** Linda Conlon, Marta McMillion, Todd Troskey, Mike Fugle and Joneil Tess

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Dorothy Skye, Robert Thome

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**Call to order:** Chairman Kelly called the meeting to order at 9:00am on the first floor of the Health & ADRC Building, 100 W. Keenan Street, Rhinelander, WI. The meeting was posted in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law and the facility is handicap accessible.

**Minutes of September 14, 2021:** Motion by Schreier/Fried to approve the September 14, 2021, Board of Health Committee minutes. All ayes; motion carried.

**Approval of agenda:** Motion by Schreier/Fried to approve today's agenda with the order of items at the Chair's discretion with changes identified. All ayes; motion carried.

**Public Comment/Communications:** None

Closed Session: Motion made by Fried/Schreier at 9:05am to enter into closed session pursuant to WI Stats Sec. §19.85(1) (g) Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved. (Topic: Posting a home in Nokomis as inhabitable and seeking injunction relief.) and §19.85(1) (c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which this body has jurisdiction or responsibility. (Topic: Public Health Director Goals) Roll call vote: All ayes

Return to Open Session: Motion made by Fried/Kelly to return to open session at 10:20am. Chairman Kelly announced a motion was made to send a notice letter to correct the issues identified by the health department for the property discussed.

**Tobacco Coordinator resolution (part-time position):** Conlon stated this position is actually a full-time position and reviewed the resolution. Kelly/Schreier made a motion to accept the resolution as stated. All ayes: motion carried.

**Tourist Rooming House (TRH) update:** Conlon inquired to see if the TRH project was moving forward and requested to be included in communication in order to plan for health department staffing to handle the increased work load. Conlon said during the budget hearing it felt like there was some question on if this project would continue. Discussion followed.

**Incentives and Promoting of COVID-19 Vaccines:** Conlon said incentives and promoting of COVID-19 vaccines is a part of the ARPA funds. Conlon looked into what other counties are offering for incentives for COVID-19 vaccination. Discussion followed. No decision was made today.

**Monthly Updates:**

**Communicable Diseases (9/1/21-9/30/21):**  
 Conlon reviewed and discussion followed.

<b>Disease</b>	<b>Closed</b>	<b>Closed and Confirmed/Probable</b>
Anaplasmosis, A. phagocytophilum	1	1
Babesiosis	1	1
Carbon Monoxide Poisoning	1	0
Chlamydia Trachomatis Infection	5	4
Coronavirus, Novel 2019 (COVID-19)	3,007	412
Coronavirus, Novel 2019 (COVID-19) Reinfection Investigation	6	0
Cryptosporidiosis	3	1
Giardiasis	2	2
Gonorrhea	2	1
Hepatitis C	3	3
Hepatitis C, Acute	1	1
Hepatitis C, Chronic	5	1
Influenza Associated Hospitalization	2	0
Lyme Disease (B.Burgdorferi)	1	1
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	3	0
Syphilis Reactor	2	0

**Flu:** McMillion stated there no confirmed or probable hospitalizations reported for this flu season yet. Conlon mentioned she had to make emergency order for 350 more high doses.

Coronavirus (COVID-19) – Data / Vaccine: McMillion reviewed COVID-19 data dashboard and discussion followed.

Coronavirus (COVID-19) - Schools: Conlon said she asked if the health department would be able to come back and do booster doses of Moderna. Conlon stated the schools continue to work with health department as cases continue to rise.

COVID-19 Testing: Conlon said the National Guard will be testing on Saturdays until December 11, 2021, and an additional day during the week was requested.

COVID-19 Funding: Conlon stated the health department received and signed contracts for COVID-19 funding.

Outreach/Communication Report (9/11/21-10/8/21):  
McMillion shared the outreach report and discussion followed.

Facebook	94
Press Release	3
Presentation	
Board of Health	
Interview	2
Health Fair	1
School	
Lobby Slides	
Mailings	
Phone Outreach	
Newsletter	1
Letter to the Editor	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>

Facebook Reporting (9/11/21-10/8/21):  
McMillion shared Facebook report and discussion followed.

Posts	94
Total Reach	168,895
Average Reach per Post	1,797
Total Engagement (Likes, shares, comments)	10,222
Average Engagement per post	109
Boosts during timeframe	4

Post with largest reach	Oneida County WIC participants Farmers Market Checks reminder; reach 6,984
Post with most engagement	September 20, 2021 Daily COVID-19 post; engagement 890
New Page Likes	27
Total Page Likes	3,973
New Page Followers	46
Total Page Followers	5,029

**Vouchers, purchase orders and line item transfers:** Conlon discussed the purchase orders, vouchers and line item transfers in detail. Motion by Schreier/Fried to accept the purchase orders, vouchers and line item transfers as presented. All ayes; motion carried.

**Agenda items for next meeting:** November 16<sup>th</sup> at 9am; follow-up on closed session.

**Public comment/communications:** Michael Roach spoke via zoom regarding questions about COVID-19.

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Committee Chairman or Designee

Committee Secretary