

Jasper County Board of Health
Monday, July 22, 2024

The Jasper County Board of Health held their meeting on Monday, July 22, 2024 at the health department. Members present were Scott Bloomberg, Tom Clark, Mary Finley, Jacy Ghast, Marcia Steet, Trish Kessler-Bookhout and Jamee Mitchell. Staff members present were Sandy Zumbahlen, Administrator, Jeannie Johnson, Director of Behavioral Health, and Melanie Ochs.

President Scott Bloomberg called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Trish Kessler-Bookhout made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 3, 2024 meeting and the motion was seconded by Mary Finley. Motion unanimously carried.

Jacy Ghast made a motion to approve the May and June 2024 bills, the motion was seconded by Marcia Street. Motion unanimously carried.

Budget Updates:

We have begun working on our FY25 budget for the county. We have received most of our grant amounts. Still waiting on the Local Health Protection Grant amount to be finalized by the state.

Closed Minutes:

Need to vote on keeping closed minutes closed.

Tom Clark made a motion to keep closed minutes closed, the motion was seconded by Jacy Ghast. Motion unanimously carried.

Building Updates:

Exterior – breakers have been installed and we are scheduled for the final connection to the west side of the building to be completed. Soffit, guttering and painting will be completed after this final stage. Interior – Jason Wright with ADG is working on the plans for the interior remodel to be completed in phases. Projected phases will be the east side, the middle, the north west side and the west side with minimal changes. The Olney office remodel is in the final stages at the new location, 117 N Boone St., Olney, IL. Staff have begun moving into the new location.

Reappointment of BOH position – Jamee Mitchells’ term will end September 2024. Jamee has agreed to continue on the board for another 3-year term.

Division Updates:

Behavioral Health – 4th Quarterly Measurement and Management report – Jeannie states that all goals were met except one. Geneva Forys began, June 24, 2024, as a counselor and is working in the Olney office. Geneva came to us from the Lawrence Co. HD and is trained on how to use the software systems.

Jacy Ghast made a motion to approve the 4th Quarterly Measurement and Management report and Marcia Street seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

Public Health – the Cancer Support Group meetings are going to start back up with the first one being held on August 8, 2024 at the HD from 5:00 – 6:00 pm. Meetings will be held once a month on the 2nd Thursday of the month. These meetings are for Jasper Co. residents that have or have had cancer, their families and their caregivers. Mandy Rieman and Tammy Ochs will facilitate the meetings and schedule guest speakers. Past guest speakers have included cosmetologists, fitness instructors, nutrition educator, etc.

Environmental Division – Katelyn Brown will be back from maternity leave in August. Katie Williams, who is covering for Katelyn as needed, completed the temporary food inspections for the food vendors set up at the Jasper Co. Fair.

Next meetings will be September 23rd and November 25th.

Tom Clark made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:50 pm and Jacy Ghast seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

Next meeting will be Monday, September 23rd, 2024 at 5:30 pm.

Jacy Ghast, Secretary