

Grant County Board of Health

February 27, 2024

5:30pm

PRESENT: Carol Beals; Robert Keeney; Mary Kay Logemann; Jeff Kindraj; Diane Nelson; Gary Ranum; Rich Dhyanchand; Rick Sanson; Amy Miller; Dr. Neil Martin; Grant County Herald Independent; Mike Miller

Absent: Brian Lucey (indicated he could not attend in person)

Call to Order: Diane Nelson called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

Open Meeting Law Certification: The agenda was posted online, sent to the news media and posted in county buildings.

Approval of Agenda: Rick Sanson made a motion to approve the agenda removing public comments (there were none registered to speak), second by Diane Nelson, Carried

Approval of Minutes (12/05/2023): Rick Sanson made a motion to approve the minutes from the December meeting, second by Diane Nelson. Carried.

Public Comments: None

Vouchers November vouchers were reviewed. December 2023 and January 2024 vouchers and financial reports were not ready in Tyler Munis. Rich Dhyanchand made a motion to approve the vouchers for November, second by Gary Ranum. Carried.

Monthly Financial Reports: The monthly financial reports for November were reviewed. Rick Sanson made a motion to approve the financial reports, second by Gary Ranum. Carried.

Seminar and Training Updates: The November updates were reviewed.

2023 Departmental Report: The draft 2023 departmental report was discussed. Gary Ranum made a motion to approve the report with suggested changes, second by Rich Dhyanchand. Carried.

Staffing Requests and Updates:

Request to fill vacant nursing positions. Two additional nurses resigned since the market review. Motion by Mary Kay Logemann to approve refilling the vacant nursing positions, second by Carol Beals. Carried

Director's Report: The Health Department will be offering lead in water testing and remediation via a grant from the State to licensed daycares.

The Health Department is working with area hospitals and a consultant to complete our 2024 Community Health Needs Assessment and Community Health Improvement Plan.

The Director indicated that he is preparing for the 140 review due in December.

Focus continues on re-filling positions and contracting as well.

Assistant Director's Report: Discussed critical staffing levels especially with nurses. The Board of Health requested information on comparative pay for nurses and other critical positions to be presented

in March for consideration and possible requests to the Executive Committee for changes to improve recruitment and retention.

Adjournment: Rick Sanson made a motion to adjourn. Second by Rich Dhyanchand. Carried.

Next meeting will be March 26, 2024.