

MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING
ROCK ISLAND COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

TIME: 5:30 p.m. August 6th, 2026

PLACE: Rock Island County Health Department, 2112 25th Avenue Rock Island, IL

MEMBERS Ms. Kaye Whitley, President

PRESENT: Mr. Andrew McClarity

Dr. Jean Wardlow

Ms. Martha Nieto

Mr. Leon Gibson

Ms. Debbie Freiburg

Ms. Edna Sowards

Dr. Naurin Ahmad

Dr. Ronald Riggins

ABSENT Mr. Andrew Waeyaert

Mr. Larry Coyne

STAFF

PRESENT: Mr. George Verástegui Administrator

Mr. Gary Bryant, Chief Financial and Information Officer

Ms. Janelle Nicewanner- Grants Manager

Board President, Kaye Whitley called the meeting to order at 5:31p.m.

Roll call was taken.

Public Comments: Deanna Gerber, Healthworks Supervisor talked and expressed to the Board that she thinks that the Health Department needs to hire a grant writer to get more funds coming in. She mentioned that the new contract will be coming up and the Union is going to ask for increases for union employees in the new contract.

MOTION The minutes for the July 2026 Board of Health meeting were approved with a motion made by Mr. Leon Gibson, second by Ms. Edna Sowards. Motion carried.

We welcomed our new board member, Dr. Ronald Riggins, everyone introduced themselves.

MOTION A motion to go into closed session at 5:37pm under 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1), (c)(2), and (c)(3) was made by Ms. Kaye Whitley, second by Mr. Andrew McClarity. Roll call vote taken-all yes-Motion carried.

MOTION A motion to go back into open session at 6:14pm was made by Ms. Kaye Whitley, second by Mr. Andrew McClarity. Roll call vote taken-all yes.

MOTION A motion was made to accept the Human Resource report by Mr. Andrew McClarity, second by Ms. Debbie Freiburg. Motion carried.

MOTION Mr. Bryant went over the financial reports for the period ending July 31,2026 with revenues of \$362,480 and expenditures of \$326,727 for the month of July 2026 with a gain of \$35,752 for the month of July, and a deficit of \$113,019 for the year. There are no transfers or resolutions for the month of July. Mr. Bryant went over the base cash flow for the month of June. The Health Department's balance sheet shows cash balance of \$32,161 and investments of \$3,215,000. There are two payrolls in the month of August. There are vouchers that need to be paid totaling \$89,928 which includes the 3rd quarter cost allocation payment of \$51,236. The projected cash balance for the end of the August is \$3,084,249. A motion to approve the Financial Reports was made by Mr. Andrew McClarity, second by Mr. Leon Gibson. Roll call vote taken-all yes. Motion carried.

MOTION Mr. Andrew McClarity made a motion for Mr. George Verástegui to follow through the grievance process with the County Board for approval of a staff grievance and proposed settlement. Mr. Andrew Waeyaert seconded the motion. Motion passed.

MOTION A motion to accept the Administrator's Report was made by Mr. Leon Gibson, second by Dr. Naurin Ahmad. Motion carried.

MOTION A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Andrew McClarity, second by Ms. Martha Nieto. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:30pm

Respectfully submitted,

Edna Sowards, Secretary, by
Janelle Nicewanner, Grants Manager

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