

**Board of Health Meeting
Minutes
July 29, 2026**

The meeting of the Dickinson-Iron District Board of Health was **Called to Order** by Mr. Stauber on Wednesday, July 29, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. at the Dickinson County office in Kingsford, Michigan.

Roll Call was taken: Present were Board Members: Joe Stevens, Vice-Chairperson; Mark Stauber, Chairperson; Ean Bruette; Pete Judd; and Dan Harrington. Also, present was Wade Dishaw, REHS, Health Officer; Dr. Robert Van Howe, Medical Director; Angela Applekamp, Community Health Services Director; Sheila McNulty, REHS, Environmental Health Director; Tina Edlund, Finance Director; and Kristina Santilli, Office Supervisor
Excused: Victoria Jakel

M/S/C (Bruette/Judd) to **Adopt the Agenda** as presented.

M/S/C (Stevens/Bruette) to **approve the June 24, 2026 Minutes** as presented. Abstained: Mr. Harrington; and Mr. Stevens.

Mr. Dishaw discussed the recent **air quality alerts** for our counties and how individuals can protect themselves. DIDHD provided KN95s to the public and also put out information on social media and didhd.org. Mr. Dishaw is still working with Mandy Paget and community partners on **Kratom** concerns.

Ms. Applekamp informed the Board of two Registered nurse **resignations**. She is currently conducting interviews to fill the positions. She also provided an overview of the **community health services training day** that included guest speakers from DHS, CPS, Child Advocacy Center, and Northpointe.

Ms. McNulty provided an update on **harmful algae blooms**. The Environmental Health division has been working with DNR parks, boat landings, WE Energies campgrounds, and county/city parks to distribute educational information to the public.

Dr. Van Howe discussed the current outbreak of **cyclospora** in Michigan. He explained how the parasite spreads, the symptoms, testing and treatment.

M/S/C (Stevens/Bruette) to accept the **Director Reports**.

M/S (Bruette/Judd) to approve the **June 2026 Finance Reports**. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

The actual **cash balance** at 6/30/2026 is \$1,985,553.91.

M/S (Judd/Bruette) Approved the **June 2026 and July 2026 Vouchers**. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes. June: Payroll Expense \$71,828.46. July: Payroll Expense \$143,346.69; General Expense \$ 155,769.87 and Travel Expense \$270.24. Total Claims: \$371,215.26.

There was no **Public Comment**.

Under **Old Business**:

Mr. Dishaw informed the Board that the **DC landscaping project** was completed last week. The final cost was a match to the estimate provided.

Mr. Dishaw reached out to the **sealcoat** company. They plan to complete the DC parking lot in the next week or two. They will fix the cracks on a Friday, sealcoat on Saturday and paint the lines on Sunday so that it will not affect clients or staff.

Mr. Dishaw informed the Board that DIDHD is in the process of gathering bids for a new **DC office sign**. Originally, the plan was to repaint; however, the wood is rotten and needs to be replaced. One bid has been received, and he is currently waiting for another.

Under **New Business**:

Ms. Edlund gave an update on the **2025 MERS Actuarial**. According to the actuarial, DIDHD is funded at 78%. The total unfunded liability is \$2,719,254 which is a decrease of 1.01% from the previous year.

There was no **Educational Presentation**.

Under **Other Information**:

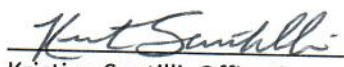
Mr. Stauber stated that the county auditor gave DIDHD a "pat on the back".

Mr. Stevens inquired if DIDHD would be attending the **Dickinson County Fair and Crafty Flea Market**. DIDHD will have staff provided outreach at both events this year.

There was no **Other Business**.

M/S/C (Bruette/Harrington) to **Adjourn** at 10:35 a.m. The next Board of Health Meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 26, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. at the Iron County office in Crystal Falls, Michigan.

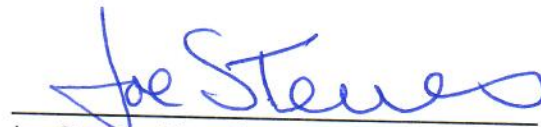
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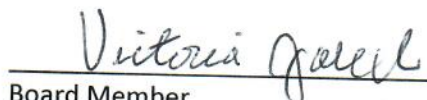
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Victoria Garcia
Board Member