

**Board of Health Meeting
Minutes
October 30, 2024**

The meeting of the Dickinson-Iron District Board of Health was **Called to Order** by Mr. Stevens on Wednesday, October 30, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. at the Iron County office in Crystal Falls, Michigan.

Roll Call was taken: Present were Board Members: Joe Stevens, Chairperson; Mike Stafford, Vice-Chairperson; Barbara Kramer, Mark Stauber; and Ean Bruette. Also, present were Dr. Robert Van Howe, Medical Director; Daren Deyaert, RS, Health Officer; Wade Dishaw, REHS, Environmental Health Director; Tina Edlund, Finance Director; and Kristina Santilli, Office Supervisor.
Excused: Henry Wender

M/S/C (Kramer/Stafford) to **Adopt the Agenda** as presented.

M/S/C (Stauber/Kramer) to **approve the September 25, 2024 Minutes** as presented.

Mr. Deyaert gave an update on the **building projects** related to **infrastructure funding**. Mr. Deyaert informed the Board that DIDHD participated in **Accreditation** recently and received a good report across the board; Accreditation occurs once every three years. He is currently going through **negotiations** with the MNA and AFSCME unions. Mr. Deyaert also informed the Board that an employee was involved in an **auto accident** while working; he will inform them of more information when it is available.

Ms. Applekamp was not present, but did submit a report on the **new requirements for blood lead testing in Michigan** for children aged 12 months and 24 months.

Mr. Dishaw discussed his **Accreditation Cycle 8 Food program review**. Although this year was for technical assistance, had the review received “met” or “not met”, DIDHD would have received all “mets” on the indicators/MPRs. Staff received many compliments for maintaining a strong food program.

Dr. Van Howe discussed the **2021 Upper Peninsula Community Health Needs Assessment**. In collecting data for the upcoming health needs assessment, one mental health related outcome stood out: suicide deaths among veterans. Veterans are more likely to die from suicide than non-veterans. He discussed the **2023 National Veteran Suicide Prevention Annual report** and the steps the VA is taking to reduce the future suicide rates among veterans.

M/S/C (Stauber/Stafford) to accept the **Director Reports**.

M/S (Stauber/Kramer) to approve the **September 2024 Finance Report**. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

The actual **cash balance** at 9/30/2024 is \$1,881,160.01.

Ms. Edlund informed the Board that the estimated funding that will be sent back to the State is \$ 249,384.00. Most of the takeback is COVID funding. With the estimated takeback, cash balance would be \$ 1,631,776.01, which represents roughly 4 ½ months of expenditures.

M/S (Stauber/Stafford) Approved **October 2024 Vouchers**. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes. October: Payroll Expense \$133,767.07; General Expense \$ 277,967.30 and Travel Expense \$704.07. Total Claims: \$412,438.44.

There was no **Public Comment**.

There was no **Old Business**.

Under **New Business**:

M/S/C (Stafford/Bruette) to approve the revision of **3-1.140 Facility Access Controls** as presented.

M/S/C (Stauber/Kramer) to approve an **unpaid staff leave request**.

There was no **Educational Presentation**.

There was no **Other Information**.

Under **Other Business**:

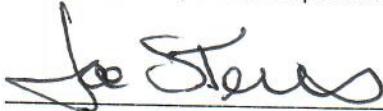
Ms. Kramer informed everyone that she would be giving a presentation at the Braumart theater on November 10, 2024. The presentation will consist of information regarding **Lake Antoine and an inclusive playground**.

M/S/C (Stafford/Kramer) to **Adjourn** at 10:35 a.m. The next Board of Health Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 27, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. at the Dickinson County office in Kingsford, Michigan.

Respectfully Submitted:



Kristina Santilli, Office Supervisor



Joe Stevens, Chairperson



Mike Stafford, Vice-Chairperson



Board Member