

**November 6, 2019 Board of Health Meeting  
County Courthouse, Room G-302**

The Board of Health convened in open session at 5:17 pm

The meeting was called to order by Merrey Price

**Board Members  
Present**

**Quorum is reached**

Merrey Price  
Kari Stroede  
Jennifer Eddy  
Blair Johnson  
Terry Miskulin  
Don Bodeau  
Liz Spencer  
Martha Nieman  
Emily Berge

**Staff Members Present:**

Lieske Giese  
Marisa Stanley  
Gina Holt (recorder)

**Public:**

None

**Public Comment:**

- None Made

Introduction of Dr. Terry Miskulin, newest Board of Health member.

Blair Johnson expresses his appreciation for his time on the board.

**Board of Health Photo**

**Intro and overview of Work Session**

A strategic plan is more operations operated so rather than thinking of strategic planning the board decides to focus on big picture/long term items. Some things to think about during the discussion are what is the health department going to need, and more importantly the boards responsibility to the community that will help keep focus on where we are going? How do we best serve not only the health department but also the community?

- **Initial discussion questions/clarifications from the meeting packet**
  - The Health Department is a level III Health Department
  - There are requirements for a board of health as part of being an accredited health department accreditation purpose. The reaccreditation process occurs every five years.

**Board of Health Priorities Brainstorm**

- Maintain fiscal stability
- Understand and prioritize new and changing priorities/services using data
- Understand health status of county including broad definition of health factors
- Support health department strategic plan priorities
- Support/assure engagement of diverse perspective of Board of Health members
- Raising awareness of Health in all policy and upstream factors impacting health.
- Engage with governmental policy makers to support health "lens" in decisions – cities, county, schools.
- Engage with community partners/leaders to support community action on health issues
- Advocate for key public health priorities and policies

**What Board of Health would do?**

- Prioritize board of health priorities – list done tonight
- Pass resolutions
- Instruct department to advocate on priority topics
- Advocate related to priorities – testify, one-one, etc.
- Support WPHA/WALHDAB legislative priorities
- Identify community events to connect with (ie poverty event)
- Use the networks that you have to do “power mapping”

**What Would help?**

- Inservice on advocacy and process for engagement -as part of a board of health meeting
- Framework that would help BOH members
- Talking points on key priorities

Merrey Price adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Next business meeting-December 11, 2019 5:15 p.m.