

**HEALTH COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
July 9, 2008**

**County Board Members in attendance:** Dick Steele, Greg Redford, Dick Joyce, Ken Iverson, Ron Severson, Frank Halpin

**County Employees in attendance:** Dan Duffy, Susan Bates

**Public Health Members in attendance:** Kathy Smith, James Leonard

**Guests:** Joe Phillips

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**Call to Order:** D. Steele called the meeting to order at 4:32 pm.

**Review of Minutes:** The Health Committee minutes from June were presented to be put on file for the August Board meeting. The Board of Health minutes June, 2008 were reviewed. D. Joyce made a motion to accept the minutes and G. Redford seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** Joe Phillips came before the Health Committee on behalf of Mr. London and the home being built at Goose Lake. Mr. Phillips relayed events leading up to the problem with this home and septic situation. The EH department did approve a permit and the home is now built, but the septic cannot go in because it is too close to the neighbor's well. Mr. Phillips has contacted Dave Zeiter, who recommended an ERT system (Effluent Receiving Trench). The main problem is the ERT is not allowed in the County Code. Mr. Phillips is asking for a variance or the ERT made permissible based on the pending State code changes.

James Leonard handed out a text amendment to include the ERT in the County Code. Dr. John Roth (BOH Chair) has reviewed the text and given his approval to the document. Per Susan Bates, the entire BOH needs to approve this document. K. Smith will call a special meeting of the BOH to discuss these proposed changes.

R. Severson made the motion to accept the Code pending the BOH's approval of the Code. D. Joyce seconded the motion. Motion carries.

S. Bates suggested the County Board hold a public hearing prior to the full County Board meeting in August. F. Halpin will arrange for the public hearing.

J. Leonard stated the well permit has been voided until the septic issue is resolved. Once the septic is approved an amended permit will be issued.

**Administrator's Report:** K. Smith gave the Public Health Administrator's report. Motion to approve report made by R. Severson and seconded by K. Iverson. Motion carried.

**Cash Receipts / Financial Report:** K. Smith reviewed the cash receipts and expenses (attached). Motion to approve report made by G. Redford and seconded by D. Joyce. Motion carried.

**Approval of Claims:** Due to the change in the meeting date, D. Steele will sign the vouchers next week. K. Iverson made a motion to approve the claims for the Health Department based on D. Steele's review. D. Joyce seconded the motion. Motion carries.

**Other Business:**

K. Smith asked the Committee to consider recognizing Dr. Terry Dingbaum for his work with our School Based Sealant Program. The Committee agreed and D. Steele will meet with Community Relations.

K. Iverson asked if anyone had talked with the business owners that had an unpleasant experience with the Health Department. K. Smith reported that she called both parties and talked with them about what had occurred. One party had a few outstanding issues, which seem to have been resolved. The other party has requested a confidential meeting and will call when he has time to meet.

D. Joyce reported that he had a conversation with another business owner who had a very polite and professional experience with the Health Department. No problems reported.

K. Smith thanked the Committee for their willingness to change the meeting date. She will be out of the office next week due to Bioterrorism Summit in Oak Brook.

**Adjournment:** Motion made by K. Iverson and seconded by G. Redford to adjourn the meeting at 5:15 pm.

As recorded by Kathy Smith

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