

# Jasper County Board of Health- Minutes

Thursday, January 9, 2025, 11 AM

Jasper Co. Office Building, 315 W 3rd St N, Large Conference Room, Newton, Iowa

Also available via Zoom.

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Call to Order Time: 11:09 AM

Roll call: Jasper County Board of Health Members. Julie Smith, Dr. Andrew Cope-Medical Director, Donna Akins, Jody Eaton, and Doug Cupples

Introduction of others present: Staff: Becky Pryor, Kristina Winfield, and Melissa Gary

Outside Agencies: None

Approval of Minutes: **Motion** to approve the November 14, 2024, minutes. See 2-page attachment.

Motion: Dr. Andrew Cope

Second by: Jody Eaton

Motion passed: unanimously

Agenda: **Motion** to approve the agenda: See 2-page attachment

Motion: Donna Akins

Second by: Doug Cupples

Motion passed: unanimously

Citizen comments: None

Other Outside Agency Reports:

Environmental Health report: Jamie Elam at the Wastewater Conference. Nov/Dec report is a 2-page attachment.

Old Business: Information Only

- IHHS updates: see 1-page attachment
- Board of Health member updates with new member, Doug Cupples. 1-page attachment

New Business:

- Board of Health Chairperson for 2025.  
**Motion** to appoint Board of Health Chairperson as Julie Smith for 2025.  
Motion: Dr. Andrew Cope  
Second by: Doug Cupples  
Motion passed: unanimously
- Jasper County Community Health Assessment  
**Motion** to approve the Community Health Assessment Report. 98-page attachment and available on the County website.  
Motion: Doug Cupples  
Second by: Donna Akins  
Motion passed: unanimously
- Jasper County Community Health Improvement Plan 2025-2030  
**Motion** to approve the Community Health Improvement Plan for 2025-2030. This is a working document and will change as updates occur. 3-page attachment and on County website.
  - Mental Health and Substance Misuse
  - Lack of Healthcare Professionals
  - Lack of Affordable Housing
  - Food Insecurities
  - Lack of Affordable Childcare
  - Transportation for Healthcare

Motion: Dr. Andrew Cope  
Second by: Jody Eaton  
Motion passed: unanimously

- Information only: IPIB updates. 65-page attachment
- Budget for FY25 and FY26 (includes raises)  
Motion to approve the FY25 and FY26 budget as presented below. 1 Page attachment.
  - FY2025 mid year status of the budget and the proposed FY2026 budget.
  - Becky will present the budget to the Board of Supervisors on Monday, 1/13/2026.
  - The Board of Health agrees to keep the raises and pay scales consistent with the County pay scales as approved by Board of Supervisor.Motion: Dr. Andrew Cope  
Second by: Jody Eaton  
Motion passed: Yes- Cope, Eaton, Smith, Akins  
Doug Cupples, Jasper County Supervisor, abstained

Administrator report- Becky Pryor Information only, updates given to the Boad. See Agenda.

- Union: no longer a contract since just one person.
- Jasper County Health Department monthly report: See 1-page attachment,
- Local Public Health Services
- Jasper County Cares Coalition
- Community Health Assessment and Improvement Plan
- Immunizations
- PHEP: Emergency Preparedness
- Kristina: Public Health, Immunizations and EPI, wellness.
- Melissa: Homecare funding (5 clients) and CPPC.

Next meeting: Date: March 13, 2025, 11:00 AM.

Motion to Adjourn: Time: 12:00 PM

Motion: Donna Akins  
Second by: Jody Eaton  
Motion passed: unanimously



3/13/2025

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Board Member's Signature

Date

Minutes taken by Melissa Gary on 01/09/2025