

MADISON COUNTY  
HEALTH DEPARTMENT COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES

The meeting of the Madison County Health Department Committee of the County Board was held at the Madison County Administrative Bldg., Edwardsville, IL on November 2, 2022.

**Members Present:** Michael Babcock, Terry Eaker, Victor Valentine, Jr., Aaron Messner, and Chris Guy

**Members Absent:** Mike Walters, and Jack Minner

**Others Present:** Amanda Pruitt, Interim Director Public Health; Stacey Counton, Office Manager; Cynthia Ellis, Public Relations and Communications Manager; Scott Cousins, Telegraph.

The meeting was called to order by Mike Babcock, at 4:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Terry Eaker and seconded by Victor Valentine Jr., to allow Aaron Messner into the meeting via teleconference. Motion approved unanimously.

The October 7, 2022 minutes were approved by all Health Department Committee Members present.

**Public Comment:** Cynthia Ellis reported that the Amare's 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Chili Cook-Off that was scheduled for November 12, 2022, has been canceled.

**Purchase Order Recommendations:** A motion was made by Chris Guy, and seconded by Terry Eaker, to approve Madison County Health Department Committee Purchase Order Requests: AYES: Mike Babcock, Terry Eaker, Chris Guy, Victor Valentine, Jr., and Aaron Messner. NAYS: None.

**Expense Reports:** A motion was made by Chris Guy and seconded by Victor Valentine, Jr., to approve the October 2022, Madison County Health Department Expense Summary Report. AYES: Mike Babcock, Terry Eaker, Chris Guy, Victor Valentine Jr., and Aaron Messner. NAYS: None.

**Interim Director Public Health Report:**

*Health Services Division*

- Completed 24 offsite influenza vaccination clinics in October. 700 flu shots total have been administered by MCHD.
- We also completed our VFC Storage and Handling site visit with an IDPH representative and received exemplary remarks for implementing best practices in our Vaccine for Children Program.
- Our newest grant funded position: Disease Intervention Specialist job was posted and interviews begin this week.

*Health Protection Division*

- All staff completed a full day training in Sparta on Groundwater. This training helps to maintain competency in conducting inspections for the potable water supply program.

*Emergency Preparedness Division*

- Recently participated in a BioWatch notification exercise. BioWatch monitors the air for biological agents likely to be used in bioterrorism. This notification exercise with local, state, and federal partners helps to test our response plans and better respond to potential threats.
- Hosted local healthcare partner meeting to discuss training and exercise plan for 2023 assessing gaps and vulnerabilities.

**Old Business:** None

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**New Business:** None

The next scheduled meeting of this committee is **Wednesday, December 14, 2022, 3:00 p.m.**, 157 N. Main Street, County Board Room 203, Edwardsville, IL.

A motion was made by Terry Eaker, and seconded by Chris Guy, to adjourn at 4:08 p.m.

  
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Chairman, Health Department Committee

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