

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 August 6, 2021.

Members Present: Michael Babcock, Chris Guy, Aaron Messner, Mike Walters, and Terry Eaker.

Members Absent: Jack Minner, Victor Valentine Jr., and Valerie Doucleff

Others Present: Toni Corona, Director Public Health, Stacey Counton, Health Dept. Office Manager, Raymond Weber, M.D., Health Advisory Chair, Cynthia Ellis, Public Relations and Communications Manager.

The meeting was called to order by Mike Babcock, Chair at 10:05 a.m.

The July 2, 2021 minutes were approved by all Health Department Committee Members present.

Public Comment: On behalf of the Health Advisory Committee, Raymond Weber, M.D., read a letter he drafted expressing concern that the Health Board did not seek medical information or advice from the Committee regarding the recent Health Board Resolution Encouraging Personal Choice Relating to Masks in Schools. The Health Advisory Committee expressed their willingness and availability to provide current medical information and advice to the Health Board on all matters pertaining to the public health of the people of Madison County.

Purchase Order Recommendations: A motion was made by Terry Eaker, and seconded by Chris Guy to approve Madison County Health Department Committee Purchase Order Recommendations/Requests: One Month Lease of COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic Site (change order to #1 Contract 2021-01635, originally approved April 2021 for \$66,769.00), \$19,420.00. AYES: Michael Babcock, Chris Guy, Terry Eaker, Mike Walters, and Aaron Messner. NAYS: None.

Expense Reports: A motion was made by Mike Walters, and seconded by Terry Eaker, to approve the July 2021, Madison County Health Department Expense Summary Report. AYES: Michael Babcock, Chris Guy, Terry Eaker, Mike Walters, and Aaron Messner. NAYS: None.

Director Public Health Report: Brief COVID Overview of data on IDPH website on community transmission. Madison County is currently in high transmission which means that we are in excess of 100 new cases per 100,000. Today we sit at 233 cases per 100,000. Over 44% of eligible Madison County population is fully vaccinated. People who are fully vaccinated are capable of transmitting Delta variant and that is why CDC changed their recommendation to mandate masking for everyone, regardless of vaccination status. This new variant is more contagious and more capable to be transmitted to people. Discussion.

Board of Health orientation slides can be found on the Health Department website at www.madisonchd.org.

New Business: None

The next scheduled meeting of this committee is **Friday, September 3, 2021, 10:00 a.m.**, 157 N. Main Street, Suite 145, Edwardsville, IL.

A motion was made by Chris Guy, and seconded by Mike Walters, to adjourn at 10:52 a.m.



Chairman, Health Department Committee