

CARROLL COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

April 24, 2025

822 S. Mill St. Mt Carroll, Illinois 61053

Board of Health Members present: Dr. Reese, Jenny Bergman, Michele Schiess, Bart Ottens, Jane Law and Dr. Dan woods.

Absent: Jan Schmidecamp and William Iske.

Others present: Dawn Holland, Cheryl Lee (Administrator at the Whiteside County Health Department) and Dr. Denise Smith (Whiteside County Health Department).

Reese called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

The agenda was presented for review. After reviewing, Reese asked that we move Whiteside County Health Department to the top of the agenda. Law motioned to approve the agenda with the change. Ottens, second, passed unanimously.

Cheryl Lee and Dr. Smith Spoke to the Board. They stated that Whiteside County has a Federally Qualified Health Center FQHC. Through this clinic they can offer many services. Some of which are primary Care, mental health, dental, optical, immunizations, WIC, BBO and more. Lee stated that she believes WCHD serves 11,000 unduplicated clients of which 500-600 are from Carroll County. She can run more accurate numbers before the next meeting. Lee stated that often, no show or late cancellations are due to transportation issues. By moving some of the services to Carroll County, it would help to reduce the transportation barrier. Lee also spoke about the possibility of grants being able to help with capital improvements to make it possible to provide services (dental). If WCHD provided services at CCHD, WCHD would do all the scheduling, staffing and billing. CCHD would aid in helping with the waiting area and handing out paper forms if online registration was not completed.

After discussion, Lee stated that she would be in communications with Whipple and Holland to go over options and that she would come back to our next BOH meeting for further discussion.

Minutes from the meeting held February 27, 2025, were presented. After review, Woods motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Bergman second, passed unanimously.

Dr. Reese cautioned that public health may be changing due to the current administration.

Law stated that the Finance Committee met prior to the BOH meeting to review and approve bills.

Financial reports for December 1, 2024, through April 24, 2025, were presented (enclosed). After discussion Ottens motioned to approve the financial reports. Woods, second, passed unanimously.

The activity report was reviewed.

The next item discussed was the easement for the health department property. The current easement as well as the proposed easement were presented for review. After discussion, Ottens motioned to approve Dr. Reese to sign the easement. Woods seconded, passes unanimously.

At 6:37 PM Ottens motioned to adjourn. Woods, second, passed unanimously

Minutes taken and submitted by Dawn Holland