

**Minutes – Clinton County Board of Health
Public Meeting held
May 28th, 2026 – 7:30 a.m.
Clinton County Satellite Office, large conference room and Via ZOOM**

<u>Board Members</u>	Dr. Mary Malcom	Present
	Don Thiltgen	Present
	Jenna Lovaas	Absent
	Jeff Sander-Welzien	Present
	Amanda Hoerschelmann	Present

Staff Present Shane McClintock, Director to the Board of Health
Kelli Eggers, Administrative Assistant to the Board of Health

Others Present Michele Cullen, Public Health/MercyOne Genesis VNA
Lauren Schwandt, Gateway Impact Coalition
Angie Eacker, Community Health Care
Jim Irwin, Board of Supervisors
Mary Kay Wirth, ECI
Olivia Regenwether, ASAC

Thiltgen called the meeting to order at 7:31 a.m. The hybrid meeting was held with the option of teleconference participation. Roll call showed 3 members present at the start of the meeting; one later joined. 2 members were in the meeting room, and 2 were via ZOOM due to unforeseen circumstances. It was moved by Sander-Welzien, seconded by Hoerschelmann, to APPROVE the April 2nd, 2026, minutes as submitted. Motion carried 3-0.

AGENDA ITEM III – BOARD OF HEALTH

AGENDA ITEM IV – COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Finance – No updates.
- B. Personnel – No updates.
- C. Total Quality Management – No updates.

AGENDA ITEM V – DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- A. Environmental Services- McClintock said they were about to start the Mosquito Surveillance Program for the year. It will be interesting to see if any Asian Tiger mosquitoes are trapped this year. They recently were also asked by researchers at the University of Iowa to do a few more PFAS samples and should receive those results soon.

B. MercyOne Genesis VNA & Hospice–Cullen requested approval to sign the Fiscal Year 2027 contract for Public Health services. It was **moved** by **Sander-Welzien**, seconded by **Malcom**, to **APPROVE** the FY 2027 contract as submitted. Motion carried 4-0. It was **moved** by **Sander-Welzien**, seconded by **Malcom**, to **APPROVE** the signing of the amended FY 26 contract for services. Motion carried 4-0. The amendment comes after an audit because funds went over \$754,000. There were no findings, however the auditor wanted more specifics on the actual audit. **Cullen** worked with **Mike Wolf** on amending it as well as the private and state auditor to make sure all agreed. The Community Garden is up and going between Hy-Vee and CHC. Skyline is weeding and watering three days a week. The produce will go to Information and Referral in both Clinton and DeWitt. The Storybook Walk is on the nature trail at Eagle Point Park. At the last meeting a brief discussion was held regarding the Combat Cancer Project. It is a statewide initiative being led by Marion County. There are 3 parts to it: lung cancer with radon testing, skin cancer with screenings and education, and colorectal cancer with screening. Because there is no follow up funding, the colorectal aspect was taken out of the contract. **Cullen** requested approval to sign the Combat Cancer Preventative and Screening Program. It was **moved** by **Sander-Welzien**, seconded by **Thiltgen**, to **APPROVE** the signing of the 28E agreement. Motion carried 4-0. **Cullen** and **McClintock** recently sat in on a town hall meeting for District 7. Public Health is looking at realignment to improve consistency of services in all 99 counties. This would be divided into 7 districts. **McClintock** explained that it sounded like they wanted to keep independence of individual health departments, but they wanted a regional supervisor. **Cullen** stated in Fiscal Year 28, they will start with environmental health, communicable disease, and chronic disease. They will leave emergency preparedness alone as it is already in a district.

C. Maternal Child and Adolescent Health (MCAH)- not in attendance.

D. Early Childhood Iowa/DECAT- Wirth informed the Board that she gave her resignation in March. They advertised replacing her position, with no applications being submitted. They met with Cedar, Jones, and Dubuque counties' ECI departments, and have decided to merge with Dubuque. This is still to be approved by the state ECI board next Friday. The state allocates the money by county, so even when it is merged into Eastern Iowa ECI, each county will still have allocations.

E. Women's Health and Family Services– Montgomery was not able to attend but previously emailed that their educator was able to get in each Clinton County school district this year including DeWitt with the Teen Success Program.

F. Community Health Care, Inc- The WIC Coordinators were unable to attend with nothing to report. **Eacker** stated that in August they will be taking over Bridgeview. They are keeping their location for now. The current Bridgeview location will be called Community Healthcare North. They are looking at staffing and training. They are hoping there is no interruption in patient care. No patients will lose access to mental health. There will be more information to come as the transition progresses. They

currently have 5 providers in the office alongside the dentists and pediatric dentist.

- G. Clinton Substance Abuse Council (GIC & CDC)-** Schwandt reported that next Friday, there is a school year end bash at the park in Camanche from 5 to 8 pm. They will have games, food, and prizes and push the fact that kids can have fun without drugs and alcohol. They received a little bit of JAG Grant funding which will start on July 1st. This will help the coalition with peer-to-peer mentoring. Huisenga has been busy with the CARA Grant and STOP Grant and recently had a take back day for unused medication.
- H. Area Substance Abuse Council (ASAC)/New Directions-** Regenwether said the ISTEP Chapter regarding tobacco education and prevention completed peer-to-peer mentoring at Jefferson Elementary, as well as with junior cadets from the Clinton Police Department. They did a fingerprint activity to demonstrate how unique fingerprints are, and your choices can be as well. The SOAR Grant is still working on Narcan trainings and distributions, as well as some of the general workplace trainings on stigma and signs of overdose. For the Problem Gambling aspect, they continue to work at the casino training to recognize problem gambling signs.
- I. Bridgeview Community Mental Health Center–** Snyder was unable to attend but sent attachments with updates regarding upcoming merger with Community Health Care.

AGENDA ITEM VI – BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Irwin stated they had a meeting with 7 counties a few weeks ago regarding shared services. Many counties only have one Planning and Zoning administrator and help is needed if someone becomes ill. We have two people in Human Resources where many counties have no one. They are working to try and become more efficient with tax dollars. Property taxes are how they fund 95% of the services. The Workforce Development is also in the process of merging Mississippi Valley with Southeast Iowa to become Eastern Iowa Workforce Development which becomes effective July 1st.

AGENDA ITEM VII – PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

AGENDA ITEM VIII – OLD BUSINESS

None.

AGENDA ITEM IX – NEW BUSINESS

None.

AGENDA ITEM X – NEXT MEETING DATE

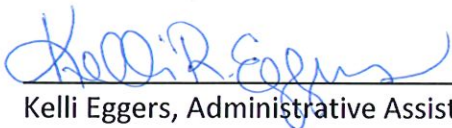
July 23rd, 2026 and September 24th, 2026 at 7:30 am at the Clinton County Satellite Building,

large conference room. Meeting also available via Zoom.

AGENDA ITEM XI – ADJOURNMENT

Motion by **Sander-Welzien**, seconded by **Thiltgen**, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 8:07 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kelli Eggers, Administrative Assistant to
the Board of Health

Approved



Dr. Malcom, Chairperson, Board of Health

Attachments can be viewed by contacting the Board of Health at the Clinton County Satellite offices.