

Bremer County Board of Health
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The Bremer County Board of Health called its special meeting to order 5:02 PM on August 12, 2020. Present were members: Dr. Courtney Bochmann, Amanda Gesme, Dewey Hildebrandt, Dr. Matt Sexton and Sally Yungtum. Also present were: Tim Neil, Ken Kammeyer, Shelley Wolf, Cassandra Johansen, Erin Barkema, and Lindley Sharp.

Motion by Hildebrandt, second by Bochmann to approve the August 12, 2020 agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bochmann, second by Hildebrandt to approve the minutes from the July 1, 2020 regular meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Planning Session for Service Provision and Funding:

Erin Barkema-Iowa Department of Public Health facilitated a planning session for the Bremer County Board of Health and Board of Supervisors regarding the programs provided by the Bremer County Health Department. Four different options were discussed:

1. Continue to provide home health services and public health at current levels (need additional tax support).
2. Provide home health services-limit services for private pay (based on availability of funds) (split county tax allocation between home health and public health services)-increase public health programs.
3. Decertify (no longer bill Medicare & Medicaid); provide non-certified home health as the budget allows (county tax allocation split between home health and public health); increase public health programs.
4. Decertify and no longer provide home health services-provide public health services and programs only.

The Bremer County Board of Health asked Lindley Sharp, Administrator of Bremer County Health Department, provide business plans for above options and present at the regular November Bremer County Board of Health meeting.

Motion by Hildebrandt, second by Bochmann to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:51 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lindley Sharp, Acting Secretary