

**Minutes of the
BOH Policy Committee Meeting
Wednesday, August 12, 2020 @ 4:30 pm
Zoom Platform**

Members Physically Present: Ron Gottschalk (Chair), Angie Goral, Dr. Patricia Lewis, Robert McCreath and Luci Hoover

Members Absent: Dr. Allen Williams (Ex-Officio)

WCHD Staff Physically Present: Dr. Sandra Martell – Public Health Administrator, Todd Marshall-Director of Environmental Health, Katherine O’Toole – Communications & Public Information Director, Christina Washington - Recorder

Ron Gottschalk called the August 12, 2020 meeting to order at 4:38pm.

1. **Approval of Agenda** – Ron Gottschalk entertained a motion to set the August 12, 2020 BOH Policy Committee meeting agenda. First motion was made by Robert McCreath, second motion was made by Dr. Patricia Lewis. Unanimously approved, motion carries.

2. **Policies to Prevent the Transmission of COVID-19**

a. Resolution to Encourage Use of Face Coverings/Masks for the Prevention Transmission of COVID-19

Dr. Martell provided a brief overview regarding the Resolution to Encourage Use of Face Covering/Masks for the Prevention Transmission of COVID-19.

The Winnebago County Board of Health urges all individuals in Winnebago County to do their part to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and protect the health of the Winnebago County community by wearing face coverings/masks when outside of their residences and in a public place or when unable to maintain six feet of social distance from others until the pandemic has ended. A resolution is not an ordinance and it is not enforceable and it does not require approval by the Winnebago County Board; resolutions are more of a strong statement.

Ron Gottschalk entertains a motion to approve the Resolution to Encourage Use of Face Coverings/Masks for the Prevention Transmission of COVID-19 and be brought to the full Board of Health for consideration at their August 18, 2020 meeting. First motion was made by Luci Hoover, second motion was made by Robert McCreath. Unanimously approved, motion carries.

b. Memorandum of Understanding for Local Units of Government to Enforce Executive Orders

Dr. Martell provided a brief overview regarding the Memorandum of Understanding between Winnebago County Health Department (WCHD) and the City of Rockford (RFD) related to responding to complaints from the COVID-19 Hotline.

The City of Rockford, Illinois, passed an ordinance on March 31, 2020 requiring compliance with executive orders in furtherance of the public health, safety, and welfare lawfully issued by the Governor of the State of Illinois by the powers vested in Article 5 of the Illinois Constitution and Sections 7(1), (2), 7(8), 7(10), and 7(12) of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305, and consistent with the powers in public health laws

WCHD wishes to collaborate with the City on the investigation education and enforcement of complaints received on the hotline.

Ron Gottschalk entertains a motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Winnebago County Health Department and the City of Rockford and be brought to the full Board of Health for consideration at their August 18, 2020 meeting. First motion was made by Dr. Patricia Lewis; second motion was made by Angie Goral. Unanimously approved, motion carries.



3. **Additions** – None

4. **Executive Session** - None

Adjournment: There being not addition business, Chair Ron Gottschalk asked for a motion to adjourn the August 12, 2020 Policy Committee Meeting. Dr. Patricia Lewis made a motion to approve adjournment; second motion made by Robert McCreath. The meeting was adjourned at 4:58pm.

Approved by the Policy Committee of the BOH 08/18/2020
DATE

Patricia Lewis
Dr. Patricia Lewis, Interim Secretary
Winnebago County Board of Health