

Fergus County Board of Health Meeting
April 24, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.
Sheriff's Office Basement Complex

Present:

Donna Vantassel, BOH Vice Chair	Lisa Robinson, BOH member
Whitney Potts, BOH member	Sue Irvin, Family Planning Director
Amanda Rouse, DIS-Staff	Marlo Thomas, FCNO Staff
Holy Phelps, City Manager	Jennifer Saunders, County Commissioner
Ron Hrubes, City Commissioner	

Donna Vantassel, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Approval of Agenda:

Donna Vantassel moved and Lisa Robinson seconded to approve agenda as presented.

Public Comment on any agenda items:

There were no comments.

Approval of January 23, 2023 Board Minutes:

Donna Vantassel moved and Lisa Robinson seconded the approval of the January 23, 2023 minutes.

Public Hearing:

No Comments

Personnel Announcements:

Currently, there are no open positions within the Health Department.

Announcements/Reports:

- Introductions
 - o Whitney Potts has recently joined the Board and will fulfill Jordan Robins term. She is a local veterinarian. Bridger Giglio has been hired as the Sanitarian in training. He has been accepted into the yearlong program and will be shadowing Kaleb Pearson and Barb Kingery.

- Reports from departments
 - Reports were reviewed. There was discussion that the Nurses Office now has Naloxone (Narcan) available at the office for anyone that wishes to have it. In our community and across the state there have been an increase in opiate overdoses. The Disease Investigation Specialist (DIS) position was explained. Whitney Potts inquired if canine brucellosis cases were reported. The Family Planning office/clinic will be celebrating 50 years in 2024. In June, the Montana Family Planning Administrators meeting will be hosted in Lewistown at the Arts Center. Ron Hrubes inquired about the process of how the Family Planning office refers clients for continue care. There was discussion on how providers in town work together for the community.

Discussion/Action Items:

- Board of Health Members
 - Lisa Robinson moved and Donna Vantassel seconded to table the election of Chair and Vice Chair.
- Penny Gill Denning has accepted the Health Officer position.
- Fergus County is looking at purchasing property for the Health department.
 - The building has been inspected and waiting for the appraisal. The building would house the Family Planning office, Nurses office and Sanitarian. There would be parking and a space to have an ADA conference room. Renovations will need to be done before the building would be ready.

Public Comment on Non Agenda Items:

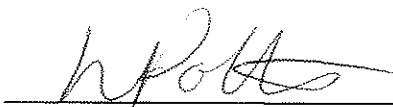
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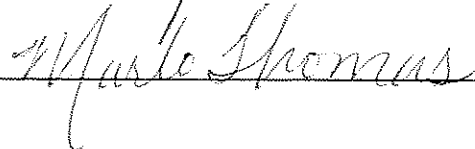
Next Meeting Date:

The next meeting will be held July 24, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

Lisa Robinson made a motion to adjourn. Donna Vantassel seconded.
Meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Respectively submitted by: Marlo Thomas, FCNO

Approved by:  Date: 7/24/2023

Secretary:  Date: 07/24/2023