



Effingham County Board
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February 6, 2024 2:30 P.M.
Health and Insurance Committee Meeting

MINUTES

Committee Members Present: Doug McCain, Norbert Soltwedel, Tim Ellis

Committee Members Absent:

Other Board Members Present: Joshua Douthit

Others Present: Jeff Workman, Travis Buhnerkempe

Minutes

- Approval of January 2, 2024 minutes. T. Ellis motioned/N. Soltwedel seconded. Unanimous. ***Motion carried.***

Unfinished Business

- Health Department Building Update – J. Workman reported signs for new building will be installed Friday, and investigating lighting for outside of building. J. Workman shared recommendation to include mental health services in facility and hoping to lease space for such services.
- Grant Updates –
 - ARISE - J. Workman reported ARISE grant is extended until March/April and application submitted for additional ARISE funding.
 - Other grants – J. Workman reported currently looking into an infrastructure grant for building, property, etc.

New Business

General Information/Public Comments

- Health Department Update – J. Workman shared county is experiencing longer periods of RSV from previous years.
- COVID Update – J. Workman reported COVID cases continue to be reported with vaccines still available. J. Workman shared that many are asking for COVID tests.
- Update on Vandalism – J. Workman reported higher quality cameras have been purchased and installed along with signs. J. Douthit inquired on audible sensor alarm. J. Workman to investigate pricing.
- N. Soltwedel inquired on requirements from EPA or state on minimum lot size necessary for mobile homes to be included in an enterprise zone. J. Workman to investigate.
- D. McCain inquired on any school nurse concerns. J. Workman shared only concerns are vision/hearing screenings and lack thereof.
- D. McCain inquired if breast milk donations were still being accepted at the Health Department. J. Workman shared program is still in effect and very popular.

Adjournment

- N. Soltwedel motioned/T. Ellis seconded that meeting be adjourned. Unanimous. *Motion Carried.*

Respectfully submitted,
Angie Thompson, County Board Administrator