

Wayne County Board of Health Meeting Minutes

March 16, 2026

Wayne County Public Health
105 N Lafayette St, Corydon, IA 50060

Members Present: Dorene McCart, Chris Moore, Dr. Lucas Whitney, Cindy Salsberry

Members Absent: Dr. Joel Wells, Chuck McCullough, Brenda DeVore

Staff Present: Susan Moore, Jessica Hysell, David Rhodes

Guests: None

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by McCart at 9:06 am.

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was reviewed. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Salsberry and seconded by Whitney. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes of January 20, 2026

The January 20, 2026 meeting minutes were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by C. Moore and seconded by Salsberry. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes of February 4, 2026

The January 4, 2026 meeting minutes were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Whitney and seconded by C. Moore. Motion carried unanimously.

Environmental Health

Financial Report: Rhodes presented the current financial report. No questions or discussion were brought forward.

Daily Log: Rhodes provided the daily log update.

Redeemed Grant: Rhodes reported receiving \$1,000 in Redeemed grant funding to support radon test kits, allowing for the purchase of approximately 50 kits. He reported that 25 kits have been ordered initially to avoid excess inventory and potential expiration. Rhodes also discussed outreach efforts, including presenting at a local veterans breakfast, where he generated interest from approximately 10–12 individuals.

Well Grant: Rhodes reported that advertising and outreach continues. No questions from the board.

Clarke County: Rhodes provided an update on Environmental Health services in Clark County. He reported a significant backlog of work, including disorganized records and a large volume of unaddressed emails. Rhodes noted that Clark County does not currently have a formal Environmental Health ordinance in place and that efforts are underway to establish one, with an initial meeting scheduled to begin that process. He also reported ongoing efforts to organize records and improve program operations. No action was taken.

New Pay: The Board discussed compensation related to Environmental Health services provided to Clarke County, including workload and administrative needs. The wage study presented at a previous

meeting was referenced for comparison of wages based on population and experience. Discussion included allocation of excess funding from the Clarke County agreement to support administrative, maintenance, and facility needs.

A motion was made by Dr. Lucas Whitney and seconded by Cindy Salsberry to approve a \$6.35 per hour wage increase for Rhodes, with \$3,750 allocated to Wayne County Public Health for administrative and facility support, to be reevaluated in six months. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Health Update

Financial Report: Moore reviewed the Wayne County Public Health financial report. Moore noted that office supply expenses are currently over budget, partially due to purchases related to window coverings, and that a budget amendment will be needed due to the window project. Moore also reported that software and data processing costs are being reviewed, with alternative options under consideration. Additionally, approximately \$6,000 in delayed state reimbursement is expected in the coming month. No action was taken.

Free Clinic Closure: Moore reported the closure of the Free Clinic of Wayne County due to the inability to secure providers. Approximately \$1,967 remained in the account. The Free Clinic of Iowa approved the request to transfer the remaining funds to the Wayne County Home Care Support Fund, with the requirement that the funds be used to benefit Wayne County residents. Moore reported that potential uses of the funds are currently being discussed. No action was taken

Director Updates: S. Moore reported that the window replacement project is nearing completion; however, incorrect glass was installed and will need to be replaced.

S. Moore provided staffing updates, noting an open Aide position and that current staff are assisting to maintain coverage. Moore also reported an increase in referrals and admissions, which is expected to impact future revenue.

Moore discussed Meals on Wheels services, including the potential contract with Mom’s Meals. At this time, individuals may enroll directly, but no formal contract has been implemented.

Moore also discussed challenges with home health referrals due to insurance restrictions, noting that some providers limit contracts to one agency per county.

Other Business

Rhodes discussed county vehicle usage, noting the vehicle has high mileage and current fuel efficiency. Discussion included consideration of future replacement with a more fuel-efficient vehicle. No action was taken.

Public Comments

None

Meeting

Next BOH meeting: May 18, 2026 @ 9:00 am

Motion to Adjourn

Salsberry motioned to adjourn. Motion seconded by Whitney. All in favor. Motion carried at 9:51 am.


Board of Health Chair

5-18-26
Date