

Wayne County Board of Supervisors

Special Informational Meeting for the Wayne County Board of Supervisors was held on the 6th day of March 2023, in the Sanctuary of the Wayne Public Health Building, Corydon, Iowa, pursuant to notice duly given in compliance with the Iowa Code Section 21.4. The Board noted due note of meeting subject to said Code Section.

Present were Lance Lange, Don Seams, Chris Moore, members of the Board. Also in attendance: Shelly Bickel, Penny Fetters, Susie Gibbs, Berdette Davis, David Rhodes, Ericka Graves, and Tiena Lewis

No Action by the board was taken since this was an informational meeting only.

Lange called the meeting to order at 11:00AM and took roll call.

Pledge of Allegiance

Lange introduced Burdette Davis- Regional Community Health Consultant for Southeast Iowa.

Berdette informed the group that there are six consultants that cover and assist local board public health board of health in technical assistance and consultation.

Berdette covered the Iowa Codes 77 and 137 which applies to Public Health Boards and Departments. She also covered the different ways local public health departments are organized, operated, financed, and what services they offer to their particular counties.

Lange asked Bickel about Wayne County's needs and Bickel informed Lange that the needs assessment is being conducted presently and would have the results soon.

Budgets and funding were discussed. Berdette pointed out that funding usually comes from various sources such as grants, Medicare, Medicaid, and county allocations from local tax dollars. She presented graphs showing the funding sources for Wayne County and offered a formula and spreadsheet to Wayne County Public Health so they could see at a glance if they were in budget. Wayne County's revenue and expenses was covered as of January 31, 2023. It revealed that Wayne County Public Health's actual expenses were \$448,062.25 and actual revenue was \$297,501.17 leaving a deficit of \$150,561.08.

Seams pointed out that April of 2022 the Public Health budget was amended \$191,862. He explained that the county has a resolution that the carryover should be between 25% to 50% of the budget to pay the bills in July, August, and September so the county would not have to borrow money. One of the supervisors stated that is the reason they did not like to amend budgets as the amendments takes money away from the carryover.

Bickel stated that home care was the main reasons for her deficits. Lange asked Bickel if home care was not in public health and in a different department if she thought public health could be solvent. Bickel said that she thought that it would be pretty much. Davis stated that when she first started working in this area, she had seventeen counties that did home care and to date she only has seven counties that does home care now. Davis stated that she felt the need for home care has shifted. She also feels due to regulations and that there was no money to be made in home care that is the reason a lot of the counties got out of home care. Davis suggested that the board of supervisors and public health board have a meeting every quarter. There being no further business the next Regular Scheduled meeting of the Wayne County Board of Supervisors will be held on the 7th day of March 2023, at 10:00AM in the Wayne County Courthouse Conference Room.

Moore made motion to adjourn at 12:30AM, seconded by Lange.


Lance Lange, Board of Supervisor Chair

Attested 
Tiena Lewis, Deputy Auditor