

**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS
OF THE BELTRAMI COUNTY COMMUNITY HEALTH BOARD
January 16, 2024**

The Beltrami County Community Health Board met in regular session on January 16, 2024, at the County Board Room, County Administration Building, Bemidji, Minnesota.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair John Carlson, called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Board Members Craig Gaasvig, Joe Gould, Tim Sumner and Richard Anderson were present.

GENERAL COMMENTS - BOARD CHAIR

None.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

No additions or corrections were made to the agenda.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Approved Agenda and Amendments

A motion to approve the Agenda with no Amendments was made by Board Member Anderson, seconded by Board Member Sumner, and unanimously carried.

Approved Minutes

A motion was made by Board Member Gaasvig, and seconded by Board Member Anderson, to approve the October 17, 2023 Community Health Board Minutes. Unanimously carried.

REGULAR AGENDA

New Funding Streams

Due to 2023 legislation, the MN Department of Health has awarded two new funding streams to Beltrami County Public Health:

1. The Community Health Board (CHB) was awarded \$109,022.99 in annual base funding to support emergency preparedness.
2. The CHB was also awarded \$220,548 in annual base funding to support the foundational public health framework and foundational capabilities.

Public Health will be assessing the use and grant requirements for the funding. These are new funds, not included in the 2024 budget.

New Grant Application

There is the possibility of new funding from the MN Department of Health through a grant to support Foundational Capabilities. This funding would be to support School Health Services. The grant name is MN New and Emerging SchoolBased Health Center Grant.

The project would include nursing support in the Blackduck School System, Trek North, and Schoolcraft Learning Community.

Community Health Assessment/Community Health Improvement Plan: CHA/CHIP

Amy Bowles, Public Health Director, is requesting the Board to appoint a Board Member to be a part of the countybased work group focused on completing the 2024 Community Health Assessment (CHA).

Ms. Bowles also introduced, Grace Imholte, a BSU intern who will be working on this project, assisting in gathering and compiling data.

A motion was made by Board Member Anderson, and seconded by Board Member Gaasvig, to appoint Tim Sumner as delegate to the work group for the Community Health Assessment, and Joe Gould as the alternate. Unanimously carried.

Review Upcoming Meeting Schedule

The next Community Health Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at 2:00 pm, in the Board Room of the County Administration Building.

A motion was made by Board Member Sumner, and seconded by Board Member Gaasvig, to approve the 2-3 pm April 16, July 16 and November 19, 2024 Community Health Board meeting schedule. Unanimously carried.

Commissioners' Comments and Agenda Additions

- None at this time.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the CHB meeting at 2:39 p.m. was made by Board Member Gould, seconded by Board Member Sumner and unanimously.



John Carlson, Chair

Amy Bowles 4/11/2024

Amy Bowles, Community Health System Administrator