

Winnebago County Public Health (WCPH) Department Board of Health Minutes



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Date: August 12, 2025 **Time:** 7:30 to 9:30 am

Location: In Person: David Albrecht County Administration Building 112 Otter Avenue, Oshkosh WI.

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Name of Board Member	In person Virtual Absent	Name of Board Member	In person Virtual Absent	Name of Board Member	In person Virtual Absent	Name of Board Member	In person Virtual Absent
Ralph Harrison	Present	Lucas Reinke	Present	Kate Hancock-Cooke	Absent	Kim Malouf	Virtual
Denise Prehn, MD	Present	Bryan Stafford		Toby Vanden Heuvel	Absent	Kay Horan	Absent

WCPH staff/ Invited Guests/others in attendance (indicate V for virtual)					
Wanda Tracy	Alana Erickson	Ashlee Rahmlow	Jaci Grignon	Anne Boyce	Shelley Brown-Gable
Maddie (Student)	Sarahjean Schluechtermann	Heidi Keating (V)	Bev Sluslarski (V)	Belinda DeGoey	

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A. Call to Order	Chair	- Start Recording: - Meeting called to order at by: 7:35 AM ROLL CALL:	
B. Roll Call	Chair	Do we have a quorum? Yes <i>ONLY THOSE PRESENT COUNT FOR QUORUM AND VOTING. PLEASE INCLUDE NUMBER OF YES, NO, ABSTAIN VOTES</i> - In Person: Denise Prehn, Lucas Reinke, Ralph Harrison (3) - Virtual: Kim Malouf (1) - Absent: Kate Hancock-Cooke, Toby Vanden Heuvel, Kay Horan (3)	

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C. Public Comments	Public	None	
D. Approval of Minutes		Motion to approve previous meeting minutes July 8, 2025 (included in CIVIC PLUS) Second by: Voting: Wait for September Meeting when we have enough members present to vote. Virtual attendees cannot vote.	
E. Business Items			

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F. Director's Report	Doug	1. Income Statement Report and 2026 Budget Discussion 2. Operational Updates from Public Health Divisions: Administration: PH Planning, Heidi has been working on the Tri-County CHIC there should be a public draft coming out in August September is National Preparedness Month Communication on social media and newsletter continues to do well Communicable Disease Measles • 9 cases were confirmed in WI on 8/2; raised the need for timely screening and communication. • Education to school nurses and local providers. • Website information has been updated. • Media requests for updates have increased. Coordinating Blood Borne Pathogen training for all staff. Immunizations - Applying for RICE Grant 4.0 Community Health and Prevention Team is mourning the loss of Amanda Tennyson and grateful for the support of County Leadership and partners. Kaytlin Kuettner, DFC Coordinator, will be presented with the Leaders of a Brighter Future: Outstanding Young Adult Advocate for Substance Use Prevention Award. She was nominated by her peers in the Breakwater Coalition and will receive the award at the Substance Use Prevention Conference in September. AHW video highlighting WCPH work with Community Living Rooms was released (link) Environmental Health Sanitarian Program	
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Change of owners – 6 (3 Oshkosh , 2 Neenah and 1 T of Poygan)
New Establishments – 8 (6 Oshkosh, 1 Neenah and 1 T of Clayton)

Special Events since 7/1. EH staff has inspected 201 Temporary Food Stands. The larger events:

4 th of July	11 Oshkosh, 5 Omro
Lifest	27
EAA: 5 days on the grounds with approx. 81.5 hours of staff time no including pre-event work	64 food stands 8 grocery stores 11 campgrounds
Farmers Market	Oshkosh 28, Neenah 4
Winnebago County Fair	24
CrossRoad 41	18

Lead Program

4 clearances finished

4 abatement projects in progress by September

Beach Testing- beaches (Fresh Air Neenah, Menominee Park Oshkosh and Lake Winneconne Park Winneconne) are tested 2x/week and 8 Boat Launches are tested once/week. We have had numerous closures and advisories the last month:

7/7 Grundman – Advisory

7/14 Lake Winneconne - Closure

Menominee Park – Advisory

7/21 Lake Winneconne Park – Closure

7/28 Lake Butte des Morts Boat Landing – Closure

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Menominee Park – Advisory

8/4 Lake Winneconne Park – Closure

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		Grundman Boat Launch –Closure Healthy Lifespan Family Child Health: • Hyde Family Community Center to trial Walk-in-Wednesdays this fall with community partners. • Potential agreement with Bridging Brighter Smiles to bring free dental cleanings to perinatal mothers and young children through the health department, referral process coordinated with WIC • New relationship with OFD staff after the transition has settled • Continue to serve as a teaching department. This summer we had two students working on policy and two nurses (Maddie present). We'll be starting a cohort of 9 UWO Nursing Students in September. Promoting Healthy Aging: • New partnership and locations in Neenah (YMCA, Library), MCI in Menasha, Omro Community Center (new director). • Meeting with Tri-County LHDs to discuss Chronic Disease Prevention programing and strategy. Alignment with CHIC and other DHS goals. • WWWP enrollment numbers continue to increase; our region continues to have higher numbers than WI. Roles are evolving to help assist participants into scheduling and following through on screenings. Technology (texting, virtual communication, translation) increasing efficiency. WIC • 2389 June Caseload. • Changes to food package coming in Oct. Staff training and participant notification ongoing. • Wisconsin to authorize Kwik Trip as a WIC food benefit vendor. This is happening at the state level in August and September then will roll out to local Kwik Trips. • Federal SNAP-ed funding ending 9/30/2025. Will no longer provide the Fit Families program. 3. Tour of the Public Health Department: Oshkosh Location	
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G. Communicati on Shared by BOH	All	Lucas & Kate engaged at the Neenah Farmer's Market to gather "two cents" from community members on which pillars they'd like to see the Cty Board focus on. Housing stood out strongly, the sentiment was that it's a known problem and improving the system would benefit everyone.	
H. Next Meeting	Board Chair	- Next tentative meeting will be: September 9th, 2025 at the Neenah location. Tour of Neenah following meeting. - The Board of Health typically meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month unless an additional meeting is needed at 7:30 am	
I. Adjourn	Board Chair	Motion to adjourn at (8:34AM) by: Lucas Reinke - Second: Kim Malouf Vote: Ralph Harrison, Lucas Reinke, Denise Prehn	

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Vision: Healthy people building thriving communities.

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