

Chickasaw County Board of Health
March 7, 2025
Meeting Minutes

The Chickasaw County Board of Health met at the Chickasaw County Community Services Building on Friday, March 7, 2025. Cindy Shoemaker, Vice-Chair called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

Members present were: Joan Knoll, Cindy Shoemaker, and Jeremy McGrath. Members present by phone Toni Friedrich. Absent: Dr. Brinkman.

The guests present were: Lisa Welter, RN, Administrator; Ann Knutson, RN, Assistant Administrator; Anita Eschweiler, BOH Secretary, Dave Laudner, County Attorney, Andrea Kime, LPN via Zoom, Steve Breitbach, Board of Supervisor, and Terry Johnson.

A motion by Knoll, seconded by McGrath to approve the agenda. Ayes: Knoll, Shoemaker, McGrath, and Friedrich. Absent: Dr. Brinkman. Motion carried.

Public Comment: None.

Business Operations

Acknowledge receipt of Appropriations for Fiscal 2025-2026

A motion was made by Knoll and seconded by McGrath to acknowledge the receipt of appropriations from the Board of Supervisors for the fiscal year 2025-2026: \$1,074,094 for Public Health and \$80,000 for Environmental Health. Ayes: Knoll, Shoemaker, McGrath, and Friedrich. Absent: Dr. Brinkman. Motion carried.

Discuss Fiscal 2025-2026 Budgets

The Environmental Health Specialist's hours were proposed to be reduced to 30 hours per week, changing the position to part-time. Other reductions included fuel and the decision to stop selling radon test kits. A motion was made by McGrath and seconded by Knoll to approve the Environmental Health budget for 2025-2026 at \$80,000 with revenue at \$46,050 Ayes: Knoll, Shoemaker, McGrath, and Friedrich. Absent: Dr. Brinkman. Motion carried.

The Board of Supervisors requested the layoffs of three staff members: a nurse, a homecare aide, and a secretary. Lisa mentioned that raises for the remaining staff were declined and that she canceled her insurance to prevent further cuts. Some homemaker services will end by May 30, 2025. A motion was made by McGrath and seconded by Knoll to approve the 2025-2026 Public Health budget at \$1,074,094, with revenue at \$604,385. Ayes: Knoll, Shoemaker, McGrath, and Friedrich. Absent: Dr. Brinkman. Motion carried.

The next Board of Health meeting is March 14, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

A motion by Knoll, seconded by McGrath to adjourn the meeting at 4:26 p.m. Ayes: Knoll, Shoemaker, McGrath, and Friedrich. Absent: Dr. Brinkman. Motion carried.

Anita Eschweiler, BOH Secretary

Attested by Lisa Welter, RN,
Chickasaw County Public Health Agency Administrator