

MINUTES AND MEMORANDA
ST. JOSEPH COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
June 12, 2023
Special Meeting

Present at the Meeting:

John Linn, PE	President
Michelle Milgiore, DO	Vice President
Heidi Beidinger-Burnett, PhD, MPH	Member
Ellen Reilander, JD	Member
Kristin Vincent, MSN	Member
Robert Hays, MD	Member
Jill Kaps VanBrouaene	Member

Also Present at the Meeting:

Joseph H. Cerbin, MD	Health Officer
Mark D. Fox, MD, PhD, MPH	Deputy Health Officer
Marcellus Lebbin, JD	Department of Health Attorney
Amy Ruppe	Administrator
Jennifer S. Parcell	Executive Administrative Assistant
Carolyn Smith	Director of Food Services
Jodie Pairitz	Director of Nursing
Mark Espich	Director of Environmental Health
Robin Vida	Director of HOPE
Brett Davis	Assistant Director of Environmental Health
Karen Teague	Assistant Director of Food Services – Zoom
Kristen Sachman	Health Promotion Specialist
Ashley Helman	Nurse – Zoom
Danielle Sims	Disease Investigation Specialist
Renata Williams	Disease Investigation Specialist - Zoom
Dominique Quatararo	Public Health Associate

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Linn called the June 21, 2023, special Board of Health meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion made by Dr. Beidinger, to approve the agenda, and seconded by Dr. Milgiore, the agenda was put to the Board. The motion passed unanimously.

III. APPOINTMENT OF HEALTH OFFICER

Mr. Linn gave the background and qualifications of Dr. Diana Purushotham, M.D. Mr. Linn then thanked the committee from their efforts and Ms. Vincent for passing on her resume. It was noted that the start date would be July 24th.

A motion was made by Attorney Reilander and seconded by Dr. Hays to appoint Dr. Purushotham as the Health Officer as of July 24th, 2023. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Dick Paul hoped the new Health Officer can improve the health of the County.

Ken Smith thanked the Board for their efforts and supports the new Health Officer.

V. TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING

The next regular meeting of the St. Joseph County Board of Health is scheduled for Wednesday, June 21, 2023, at 4:30 p.m., at the County-City Building.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

This meeting was adjourned at 4:47 p.m. upon motion of Attorney Reilander, seconded by Dr. Beidinger, which passed unanimously.

ATTEST:



Joseph H. Cerbin, M.D.
St. Joseph County Health Officer

Respectfully submitted,



Marcellus Lebbin, Esq.
Health Department Attorney