

MINUTES
Sangamon County Board of Health
August 20, 2025; 5:45 P.M.

Present: Brian Miller, M.D., President
Raj Dhamrait, D.D.S.
Korrine Vlahos, M.D.
Greg Stumpf, County Representative
John Ridley, Director of Public Health
Carol Graham, Executive Assistant to the Director

Excused: Senator Doris Turner
Theresa Smith, R.N.
Deborah Grant, Vice-President

Guest: Dilpreet Raju

1. President Dr. Miller called the meeting to order at 5:47 p.m.
2. A motion to approve the minutes of the June 18, 2025 Board of Health meeting was made by Greg Stumpf, seconded by Dr. Dhamrait, passed unanimously.
3. **Director's Report:**
 - a. **Animal Control**

John reported that currently there are 115 cats and 80 dogs at the shelter. John reported staff is working on a community presentation to be presented at SCDPH. This presentation will be target to the 62702 and 62703 areas as well as the county and city Board Members. The staff is going to do two walk thru neighborhood events, to give out information on what Animal Control does, some giveaway items and flyers regarding the upcoming free microchip and vaccine clinic that will be held on September 27th. We are requesting a new incinerator, as the current ones is struggling to work, especially in cold months.
 - b. **Environmental Health**

John mentioned Environmental Health just wrapped up the Illinois State Fair inspections, everything went well. Currently looking at performing water testing at SCDPH, since IDPH is not performing any testing beyond initial testing.
 - c. **Personal Health**

Back to school time, staff have been busy giving back to school immunizations and physicals. We work in conjunction with other providers in the area to get kids done by October 15th, which is exclusion date.
 - d. **Renovations**

Building renovations plans are moving ahead.

e. Community Garden

There has been a request to put a community garden next to our building, John will email the drawing out to Board members. There will be raised beds and beds in the ground, a pavilion, some benches, and an area to store some small tools. John would like Eve from Motherland Gardens assist with this project.

4. Public Comments

None

5. New Business:

- a. Next scheduled meeting is scheduled for October 29, 2025.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:12 p.m. was made by Greg Stumpf, seconded by Dr. Vlahos, passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by: Carol Graham; Executive Assistant to the Director