



EAST CHICAGO HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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ANTHONY COPELAND, MAYOR

Dr. Paula Benchik Abrinko, Health Officer

Diana Garcia- Burns, Health Director

Health Finance & Board Minutes

April 7, 2021 5:00 pm

Health Department Classroom

100 W. Chicago Avenue

East Chicago, 46312

AGENDA

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82636050234?pwd=Sjd3ZkRJRlRlK0daanJJcThMODBZUT09>

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I. Call to order

- Diane P called the meeting to order
- Loretta P (Zoom), Dr. S. Reed (Zoom), Natalie A. (Zoom) Dr. Libiran (Zoom), Diane P (In-Person), Attorney Snow (Zoom), Diana B (In- Person), Dr. Benchik (In- Person)

II. New Business

- Review and approve minutes from the following meeting:
 - i. Board Meeting Minutes from March 3, 2021
 - 1. Natalie A. made a motion to approve the board meeting minutes from March 3, 2021, Dr. S. Reed second the motion, all in favor, the motion carries.
- Review and approve the following payroll warrant and warrant claim
 - ii. Payroll Warrant 030521 dated March 5, 2021 for \$23,473.28
 - iii. Payroll Warrant 031921 dated March 5, 2021 for \$20,448.07
 - iv. Payroll Warrant 040121 dated April 1, 2021 for \$22,080.82
 - 1. Natalie A made a motion to approve the Payroll Warrant 030521 dated March 5, 2021 for \$23,473.28, Payroll Warrant 031921 dated March 5, 2021 for \$20,448.07, Payroll Warrant 040121 dated April 1, 2021 for \$22,080.82, Loretta P second the motion, all in favor, the motion carries.

- v. Warrant Claim 040721HB dated March 31,2021 for \$28,450.81
 - 1. Natalie A made a motion to approve the warrant claim 040721HB dated March 31,2021 for \$28,450.81, Dr. S. Reed second the motion, all in favor, motion carries.

- Review and approve the following contract for service:
 - i. Damally Malaves- Vaccination Clinical Staff
 - 1. Natalie A made a motion to approve the vaccination clinical staff contract for Damally Malaves, Dr. S. Reed second the motion, all in favor, the motion carries.

III. Old Business

- N/A

IV. Discussion

- Attorney Snow- Discussed Indiana mask mandate ending in early April. Spoke about new City of East Chicago Executive Order to wear mask and mentioned the order would need to be modified related to capacity with bars, restaurants, churches, event spaces, etc.

V. Director Update

- Mrs. Burns- Presented to the board the March 2021 Health Department Report, which included vital records, health inspections, nursing, emergency preparedness, Johnson & Johnson Mass COVID Clinic, animal control, staffing needs, COVID testing, COVID vaccines administered, and East Chicago positivity rate. Mrs. Burns also expressed thanks to Leon Valdez for years of services to the City of East Chicago.

VI. Health Officer Update

- Dr. Benchik- Spoke about meeting the County and City of Gary Health Officer about the mask mandate; all parties agreed to continue with the mask mandate and meet weekly. Recognized Health Director Burns and the Health Department on the Channel 7 feature, which is available on state website site.

VII. Adjournment

- Natalie A made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Loretta P second, all in favor and the motion carries.

The next regular scheduled meeting is May 5, 2021 at 5 p.m.

Signature

 5/5/21