



IRWIN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING AGENDA

February 12, 2025/12:00P.M./ Irwin County Health Department

1. Call to Order
2. Introductions/Oath- Carl Hutchinson
3. Public Comment
4. Approval of November 13, 2024 Minutes
 - Motion _____
 - Second _____
5. Business
 - Financial Updates – Allie Pridgen (Director of Finance)
 - Public Health Updates
 - Health Director’s Updates – Mark J. Eanes, MD, MBA (Medical Director)
 - Human Resources- Chris Foreman (Director)
 - Oral Health – Cumi Fillion (Dental Hygienist)
 - Election of Vice Chair
 - Motion _____
 - Second _____
6. Health Department Updates – Michelle Hobbs, RN
7. Environmental Health Update – Alex Collins
8. Announcements

Next meeting is May 14, 2025 (Budget Meeting) at 12:00pm
9. Adjournment



Irwin County Board of Health Meeting

MINUTES

November 13, 2024 | 12:00 P.M. | Irwin County Health Department

Members Present

Kerri Billingsley
Melvin Harper
Melanie Scruggs
Sabrina Dix

Members Absent

Scott Carver
Casey Conner, MD, Chair
Paige Wynn

Others Present

Mark J. Eanes, MD, MBA
Dwain Butler
Karen Harrison
Allie Pridgen
Michelle Stone, RN
Alex Collins
Jessie Judkins
Brandon Ramella
Jennifer Story

Call to Order

Mr. Billingsley called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM.

Public Comments

No comments were made.

Approval of Previous Minutes

Approval of August 14, 2024, meeting minutes. Melvin Harper made a motion to approve which was seconded by Sabrina Dix.

Financial Updates (Allie Pridgen, Director of Finance)

- Ms. Pridgen reviewed the 2025 Fiscal Year Budget which is attached.

Public Health Updates (Mark J. Eanes, MD, District Health Director)

- Dr. Eanes welcomed everyone to the meeting and stated that he wanted to take a moment to appreciate the staff at the Irwin County Health Department.
- Dr. Eanes updated the board on the Bird Flu and Mpox
- Dr. Eanes stated that congenital syphilis is still a concern in Georgia.
- Dr. Eanes updated the board on the THC cards.
- Dr. Eanes informed the board that Narcan was available for public buildings or schools as well as training that are in need.
- Dr. Eanes introduced Jessie Judkins, MS, Early Intervention Coordinator along with Brandon Ramella, MIS/IT Department Director.

Babies Can't Wait (Jessie Judkins, MS, Early Intervention Coordinator)

Ms. Judkins stated that Babies Can't Wait provides early intervention for children from birth to 3 years of age who have disabilities or delays in one or more areas of development.

Brandon Ramella (MIS/IT Department Director)

- Mr. Ramella Introduced himself and gave a brief description of his job requirements.
- Mr. Ramella discussed the need for a new internet provider which would Starlink.

- Mr. Ramella stated that during Hurricane Helene, our health departments were without power, phone and internet service. This prompted the need for Starlink internet.
- Mr. Ramella stated that with Starlink our clinics will be able to get notifications needed to preserve medications and vaccines.
- Mr. Ramella stated that the satellite receiver is installed outside near the employee entrance and does not require any local infrastructure.

Nurse Manager Updates (Michelle Hobbs, RN, County Nurse Manager)

- Ms. Hobbs reviewed the services provided by the Irwin County Health Department from July-September 2024.
- Ms. Hobbs stated the health department has completed the school flu clinic. The students and teachers that did not receive their vaccine have made appointments with the health department.
- Ms. Hobbs stated the Irwin County Health Department was invited to the Farmers' Appreciation Luncheon at the EMC. The health department had the opportunity to provide vaccines and discuss other services that are provided.
- Mayor Harper asked the question on how did the clinic handle people that come in for free products or asked to get tested for sexual infections or educate them on safe sex. Ms. Hobbs answered, first they try to make the person feel most comfortable. We always try to build that relationship. Ms. Hobbs stated that we begin answering any questions they may have, and we move into the conversations with needed vaccines and other services we provide.

Environmental Health Updates (Alex Collins, Environmental Health Specialist)

- Mr. Collins reviewed the Environmental Health Activities from July 2024, through September 2024.
- Mr. Collins thanked and bragged on the staff at the Irwin County Health Department, Michelle Hobbs and Jennifer Story.
- Mr. Collins stated during Hurricane Helene everyone showed great dedication. Mr. Collins stated he had never seen the county come together like this before. He stated the school system was phenomenal.
- Dr. Eanes stated people do not realize exactly how much Environmental Health does during a situation like Hurricane Helene. The number of restaurants, hotels, and schools that must be inspected and permitted to open is overwhelming.

Announcements

- The 2025 County Board of Health Meeting Schedule was handed out.
- The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 12, 2025, at 12:00pm.

Adjournment

There being no further business or announcements, Mr. Billingsley adjourned the meeting at 12:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

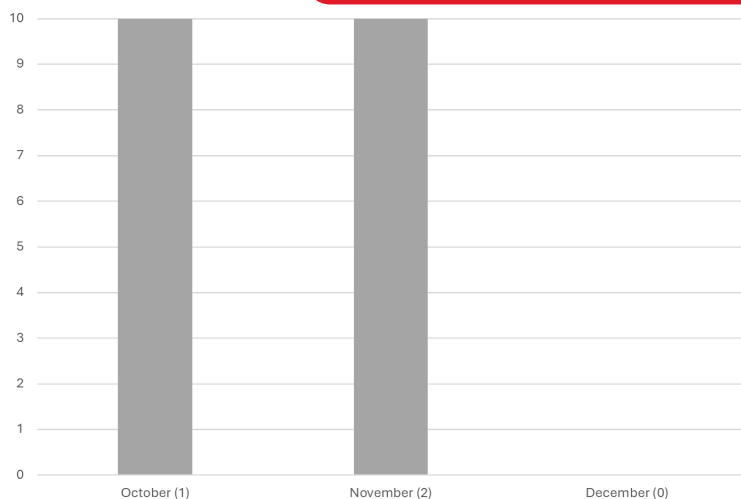
Kerry Billingsley, Board Secretary
Jennifer Story, Typist

Irwin County Health Department Quarterly Customer Feedback

OCT - DEC 2024

SUMMARY: The Customer Feedback Report provides insights into customer satisfaction and sentiment for the quarter. Key findings and customer comments are summarized below.

Customer Satisfaction



Customer Service Satisfaction Scale:

10 - Completely Satisfied

1 - Unsatisfied

10/10

Customer Comments

“The reception staff were very welcoming and friendly soon as you walk in. Michelle was very friendly and knowledgeable.” - Alexandra

“The staff is very helpful and informative. Michelle takes time to explain my questions and told me the shots I need.” - Lisa

“Always very nice and welcoming!” - Cassidy

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**Irwin County Board of Health
Revenue and Expense Summary
July 1, 2024 - December 31, 2024**

		% of Budget				
		YTD	Revised Budget	Received/ Expended	Original Budget	Increase/ (Decrease)
Revenue						
456001	County Participating	7,406.52	14,813.00	50.00%	14,813.00	0.00
456004	County Non-Participating	17,920.50	35,187.00	50.93%	35,187.00	0.00
995001	Unassigned Fund Balance	0.00	0.00	N/A	2,000.00	(2,000.00)
456024	Restricted Fund Balance - Pr Yr Fees	139,312.05	139,312.00	100.00%	136,295.00	3,017.00
456050	Restricted Fund Balance - Pr Yr Adm Claiming	45,943.16	45,943.00	100.00%	41,508.00	4,435.00
456040	Intra Agency Transfer - From Annex 750	28,395.00	28,395.00	100.00%	28,395.00	0.00
456040	Intra Agency Transfer - From Lowndes GIA	19,746.00	19,746.00	100.00%	19,746.00	0.00
456051	Qualifying Local Funds - Interest Income	1,664.42	4,284.00	38.85%	4,284.00	0.00
458001	Grant-In-Aid	96,318.61	250,129.00	38.51%	241,346.00	8,783.00
456008	Out-Patient Medicare Fees	24,799.23	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00
456010	Out-Patient Client Fees	4,704.82	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00
456016	Private Insurance	12,394.20	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00
456022	Health Check	1,868.50	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00
456031	Environmental Fees	12,110.00	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00
456034	Medicaid - DSPS	4,531.28	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00
456036	Medicaid PCM	653.40	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00
456049	Current Yr Adm Claiming	10,616.25	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00
Total Revenue		428,383.94	537,809.00	64.45%	523,574.00	14,235.00
Expenses						
511000	Salaries	62,980.80	132,848.00	47.41%	158,301.00	(25,453.00)
513001	Hourly Labor	5,943.70	14,526.00	40.92%	17,402.00	(2,876.00)
514001	FICA	4,449.75	11,883.00	37.45%	11,111.00	772.00
515001	Retirement	19,157.52	40,361.00	47.47%	48,321.00	(7,960.00)
516000	Health Insurance	18,547.91	41,580.00	44.61%	46,626.00	(5,046.00)
614001	Supplies & Materials	1,752.25	32,212.00	5.44%	12,750.00	19,462.00
614018	Pharmaceuticals	15,602.57	157,870.00	9.88%	135,000.00	22,870.00
615001	Repairs & Maintenance	2,741.73	10,859.00	25.25%	4,950.00	5,909.00
617001	Utilities	7,413.05	13,107.00	56.56%	11,500.00	1,607.00
618001	Printing	0.00	247.00	0.00%	246.00	1.00
619001	Other Rent	120.00	369.00	32.52%	245.00	124.00
622001	Direct Benefits to Clients	559.93	1,061.00	52.77%	675.00	386.00
627001	Other Operating	3,392.46	11,500.00	29.50%	11,500.00	0.00
633001	Computer Software - Microsoft License Fee	0.00	3,189.00	0.00%	5,000.00	(1,811.00)
640001	Travel	2,598.12	7,013.00	37.05%	5,500.00	1,513.00
645001	Rental of Equipment	1,123.98	2,431.00	46.24%	2,131.00	300.00
651001	Per Diem & Fees	0.00	470.00	0.00%	470.00	0.00
653001	Contract - Maintenance Fee - Clinical Software	2,963.50	3,114.00	95.17%	2,425.00	689.00
673001	Telecommunications	3,288.45	6,500.00	50.59%	6,500.00	0.00
681001	Postage	(58.36)	267.00	N/A	250.00	17.00
761001	Indirect Costs	0.00	46,402.00	0.00%	42,671.00	3,731.00
Total Expenses		152,577.36	537,809.00	28.37%	523,574.00	14,235.00

Irwin County Health Department Updates

2nd Quarter (October-December 2024)

PROGRAMS	SERVICES	
Immunizations	169	Increase from last quarter
Family Planning	51	
STI Screening	33	Increase from last quarter
Skin Testing	11	
Other Services (BCCP, PCM & HTN)	13	
Child Health	8	
TOTAL SERVICES	285	



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Irwin County



Irwin County Environmental Health Update

October-December 2024



Total Permitted Facilities: 30

Facility Inspections

Food Service Inspections	22
Tourist Accommodation Inspections	0
Public Pool Inspections	0
Body Art Inspections	0

Land Use

New System Permits Issued	8
New Installations Inspected	5
Repair Permits Issued	2
Repair Installations Inspected	2
Well Permits Issued	5
Water Samples	3

Other Programs

Animal Bite Investigations	2
Complaint Investigations	2



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Irwin County Environmental Health Update

Yearly Summary 2024



Total Permitted Facilities: 30

Facility Inspections

Food Service Inspections	56
Tourist Accommodation Inspections	2
Public Pool Inspections	0
Body Art Inspections	0

Land Use

New System Permits Issued	27
New Installations Inspected	25
Repair Permits Issued	12
Repair Installations Inspected	10
Well Permits Issued	20
Water Samples	26

Other Programs

Animal Bite Investigations	8
Complaint Investigations	4



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Facility Inspections 4th Quarter

Facility Name	Score	Grade	Inspection Date
Cafe at Fourth and Cherry	93	A	11/21/2024
Catfish House	100	A	12/12/2024
Chicken Delight	100	A	11/01/2024
C's C-Food, LLC	100	A	10/24/2024
Dixie Kitchen	96	A	12/04/2024
Esparza's Mexican Restaurant	97	A	12/12/2024
Hutto's Bar-B-Q & Grill	100	A	11/06/2024
Indian Lounge	94	A	12/12/2024
Irwin County Detention Center	100	A	11/21/2024
Irwin County Elementary School	100	A	10/25/2024
Irwin County Hospital	100	A	11/19/2024
Irwin County Middle/High School	100	A	10/25/2024
Lady Queen Shaved Ice	100	A	11/26/2024
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Mi Krafty Wings & Tingz	100	A	12/31/2024
Mi Krafty Wings & Tingz (mobile)	100	A	12/31/2024
Peck's Place	100	A	12/02/2024
Savor the Tasty Flavor dba Savor the Flavor	100	A	11/25/2024
Savor the Tasty Flavor dba Savor the Flavor	100	A	11/25/2024
Sissy's Place	100	A	11/01/2024
Sparrow & Lilies Coffee	100	A	11/25/2024
Sparrow & Lilies Coffee	100	A	11/25/2024