

**Minutes of the  
Winnebago County Board of Health  
Tuesday, January 20, 2015 @ 6:30 p.m., 555 North Court Street  
Winnebago County Health Department**

**PRESENT:** Susan Fernandez, Angie Goral, Ronald Gottschalk, John Halversen, David Helland, Luci Hoover, Patricia Lewis, Steven Lidvall, James Powers, Allen Williams,

**STAFF PRESENT:** Kyle Auman, Sue Fuller, Lisa Gonzalez, Todd Kisner, Patrick Madigan, Todd Marshall, Sandra Martell, and Charlotte LeClercq (Attorney)

President James Powers called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS / PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Mr. Powers welcomed Mr. Patrick Madigan who will be the Finance Director for the Winnebago County Health Department.

**SETTING THE AGENDA:** President James Powers asked for a motion to set the agenda. David Helland moved and Allen Williams seconded to set the agenda as adapted, all members voted aye, motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** President James Powers asked for a motion to approve the minutes, with a correction of Dr. McHugh's name. Luci Hoover moved and Steven Lidvall seconded to approve the December 16, 2014 Board of Health Minutes. With that, all members voted aye, motion carried.

**PRESENTATION:** *Radon – A Health Issue*

Todd Marshall advised that this is National Radon Awareness Month and he provided a brief overview on the history of Radon and how it affects persons in a home environment and the processes to make the necessary modifications with a mitigation process if someone has radon gas in their homes. Radon is the # 2 leading cause of lung cancer with smoking being #1 and among non-smokers it is the #1 cause of lung cancer. Testing kits are available for rent within the Health Department for a minimal fee to persons who are wanting to test their homes for Radon. Handouts were included in the packet.

**WINNEBAGO COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS:** Reports were included in the Board packet for the member's information.

Dr. Sandra Martell introduced the new Finance Director, Patrick Madigan, who started with the Health Department on December 29, 2014. Todd Kisner provided an update on Influenza in the Winnebago County area and the numbers are actually down from last month and are continually on a downward turn in all age groups. We will be lifting the age restriction limits to the local hospitals if this downward turn continues.

Dr. Martell commented on how Family Health Services Center has rolled out the Winnebago County Health Department buses within the community as part of the