

LAKES REGIONAL HEALTHCARE
DICKINSON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING MINUTES
March 11, 2026

A regular meeting of the Dickinson County Board of Health was held on March 11, 2026, in a hybrid format. The primary in-person meeting was held in the Big Spirit room of Lakes Regional Healthcare. Dr. Zachary Borus called the meeting to order at 5:39 pm.

PRESENT (BOH members)

Connie Bjornstad
Dr. Alan Blake
Dr. Zachary Borus
Carol Deschepper

Absent (BOH members)

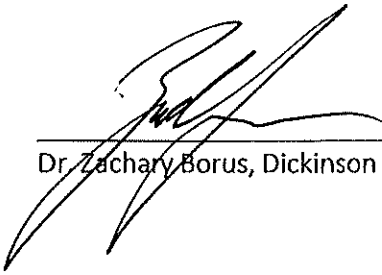
Kittie Webster
Beth Will
Denise Wunn

Also Present (other attendees)

Katy Carey
Patsey Laue
Levi Markwardt
Nate McCormick
Megan Kardell
Brandi Larsen
Diane Anderson
Zach Barish

1. Approval of Agenda - A motion was made to approve the agenda by Connie Bjornstad, seconded by Dr. Alan Blake. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Review and approve January, 2026 meeting minutes - A motion to approve the minutes as written by Connie Bjornstad, seconded by Dr. Alan Blake. Motion carried unanimously.
3. 2026 Signatory Authority: A motion was made to approve Signatory Authority to Brandi Larsen by Dr. Zachary Borus, seconded by Dr. Alan Blake. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Environmental Health Specialist Report
 - a. Septic and Well Permits for January and February 2026
 - Well permits completed: 0
 - Septic Systems completed: 0
 - Septic Permits Pending: 10
 - Septic Permits waiting for detailed drawings: 4
 - b. Total Time and Transfer Septic Report
 - Total for future install: 4
 - Total building demolition: 2
 - Total inspection: 0
 - c. Well Abandonment Report
 - Well abandonments: 2
 - Wells tested: 3
 - Wells renovated: 0
 - d. Environmental Report – Megan Kardell discussed the environmental report.
5. Public Health Overview Report: 10 Essential Services Format – Katy Carey shared public health policy and program updates from the past two months, separated into three overarching essential services categories, In Assessment, she discussed school immunizations & quality improvement and 2025-2026 I-Smile daycare & preschool dental screenings. In Policy & Program Development, she highlighted the Dickinson County Hunger Coalition goals for the year where members expressed interest in exploring more sustainable approaches to combatting food insecurity, Dickinson County Behavioral Health Coalition and Adult Home Visitation Services. In Assurance, she welcomed Brandi Larsen as the new Director of Population and Public Health, Care for Yourself Program and changes on the Best Care for Better Babies Program & Legislative updates.

6. Financial Update – Katy Carey discussed the DCPH Finances through January 2026.
7. Public Comments - None
8. Other Business - None
9. Next Meetings (Wednesdays at 5:30 pm)
 - a. May 13, 2026
 - b. July 8, 2026
 - c. September 9, 2026
 - d. November 11, 2026
10. Adjournment – Dr. Zachary Borus adjourned the meeting at 6:31 pm. Meeting minutes taken by Patsey Laue.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Zachary Borus', is written over a horizontal line.

Dr. Zachary Borus, Dickinson County Board of Health Chair