

# Board of Health: Kenosha County Division of Health

## Meeting Minutes: 08.11.20

Virtual Webex Meeting, 12:00 Noon

Agenda Item	Talking Points	Action Step (Who & When)
<b>Call to Order, Chairman</b>	The meeting was called to order at 12:04 pm by Dr. Gerlach, Chairman. <b>(00:00:03)</b> . No quorum.	
<b>Approval of Minutes of May 19, 2020</b>	Motion to approve the minutes of June 9, 2020 deferred until September meeting as there is not a quorum. <b>(00:03:16)</b>	
<b>Public Comments</b>	Questions: I would like to know how many FTE's are currently being devoted to contact tracing activities, whether there are plans and funding for expansion? On average how many contacts are reached for each new patient diagnosed with Covid? What kind of follow-up for self-quarantine for both patients and contacts? What is the average turnaround time for testing of contacts? Lengthy discussion followed. <b>(00:10:07 – 00:49:25)</b>	
<b>Chairman's Comments</b>	Dr. Gerlach is pleased that the Governor put out the mask mandate. Would like to support the health department in any way possible. <b>(00:03:48)</b>	
<b>Health Officer/Directors Report</b>	<b>Appointments</b> – One of our vacancies was approved at the Human Services Committee and will next go to the County Board for approval. <b>By laws Update</b> – Discussed at June's meeting. Approved at the Human Services Committee and will go before the County Board on August 18, 2020 for approval. <b>Racism as a Public Health Crisis</b> – This was passed by the County Board with a vote 18-1. Commitment of the health department to work on equity/racism. <b>COVID Update</b> – The health department continues to distribute masks and thermometers. Working with businesses. As a state, there is a critical shortage of testing supplies. The National Guard teams have been extended through the end of the year. Working with colleges, post-secondary and K-12 schools to prepare for the fall. Focusing on clinic services with back-to-school immunizations and expanded services. <b>(00:04:27 – 00:10:00)</b>	
<b>Corporation Counsel's Report</b>	John Moyer stated that there have been many COVID questions with impacts on county government, employment issues, meeting issues along with several public records requests. <b>(00:49:32)</b>	
<b>Other Business as Allowed by Law</b>	None <b>(00:51:44)</b>	
<b>Closing Board Comments</b>	Next meeting September 8, 2020	
<b>Adjournment</b>	Motion to adjourn meeting by Dr. Gerlach at 12:58 p.m. <b>(00:54:19)</b> Prepared by Karen Kersting, Board of Health Secretary	

	Respectfully submitted by Jen Freiheit, Health Officer/Director	
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**Present:** Dr. Diane Gerlach, John O’Day, Jen Freiheit, Mark Modory, John Moyer, Julia Robinson, Dr. Steven Schwimmer, Sherry Turner-Kaprelian,  
Sharmain Harris, WGTD

**Absent:** Dr. James Foster, Dr. Regner-Hodge, Dr. Rita Ventura