



Independence Advisory Board of Health Minutes

October 3, 2024 6:00 PM

**Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams at <https://bit.ly/47VklOI> or 660-631-8082
(ID457409878#)**

WELCOME

Dr. Ruddy called the meeting to order at 6 pm.

Members in attendance: Dr. John Ruddy, Dr. Terry Morris, Lori Halsey, Dr. Larry Legler, Dr. David Suchman

Members absent: Dr. Darryl Nelson, Dr. Peter Muelleman, Jason White

Staff present: Christina Heinen, Lauren Campbell, Councilmember Dr. McCandless

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Dr. Suchman made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted; Dr. Legler seconded the motion; motion was approved by all present at 6:01 pm.

BOARD VACANCIES AND APPLICATIONS

Christina shared that the board still has an opening for a mental health practitioner and a veterinarian.

DISCUSSION ON COMMUNICABLE DISEASE

Lauren shared that STIs in Independence were similar to what was seen last year. Currently, the nation is seeing an outbreak of Shigella, and Independence has several cases also. The City has also seen some pertussis cases and tick-borne and mosquito-borne diseases. The City has not seen a confirmed case of H5N1.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Dr. Legler to adjourn, seconded by Dr. Suchman, approved by all at 6:13 pm.