The Turner County Board of Health met at Noon at the Turner County Health Department on Wednesday, May 24, 2023.

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| **Members Present** | **Members Absent** | **Others Present** |
| Odis Reese, Chairman | Craig Matthews | William R. Grow, MD, FACP |
| Dr. Michael Dent, Vice-Chairman | Brad Calhoun, Secretary | Mark J. Eanes, MD, MBA |
| Dr. Kimberly Massey |  | Patrina Bowles |
| Mayor Sandra Lumpkin |  | Teresa Giles |
|  |  | Brooke Pearson |
|  |  | Mary Anne Sturdevan |
|  |  | Gayle McKissack |

**Call to Order**

* Mr. Reese called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

**Public Comments**

* There were no public comments.

**Introductions**

* Dr. Grow introduced Dr. Mark J. Eanes to the Board. Dr. Eanes will begin as district health director July 1, 2023 after Dr. Grow’s retirement.

**Approval of November 16, 2022 Minutes**

* Dr. Dent made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 16, 2022 meeting. The motion was seconded by Mayor Lumpkin. All were in favor and the motion passed.

**New Business:**

**Financial Information** – **Teresa Giles (See attachments)**

* Ms. Giles presented the Turner County Health Department’s Revenue and Expense Summary for July 1, 2022 – April 30, 2023.
* The Turner County Board of Health’s FY2022 Audit was presented. Dr. Dent made a motion to accept the Turner County Board of Health’s FY2022 Audit as presented. The motion was seconded by Mayor Lumpkin. All were in favor and the motion passed.
* The Turner County Health Department’s FY2024 Budget was presented. After discussion, Dr. Massey made a motion to approve the Turner County Health Department’s FY2024 Budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Dr. Dent. All were in favor and the motion passed.

**Public Health Updates – William R. Grow, MD, FACP**

* Dr. Grow thanked the Board for their service and expressed his gratitude working with them the last 13 years.
* The Board was updated on the decrease in COVID cases, which are much lower than those at the beginning of the pandemic. Hospitalization case numbers remain low.
* The Georgia Department of Public Health state office in Atlanta is moving to a new building.
* Mr. Reese thanked Dr. Grow for his time as health director and added he would be missed.

**Nurse Manager’s Report – Mary Anne Sturdevan (See Attached)**

* Ms. Sturdevan also thanked Dr. Grow for what he has done over the years.
* Ms. Sturdevan announced she attended the county commission meeting and learned bids were received to have some work done at the health department.
* Suggestions were requested on how to increase services and revenue at the health department.
* Turner has been seeing patients and providing Shingles and Tdap vaccinations.
* COVID vaccinations are still available.
* Over the counter COVID test kits are available at no cost. A vending machine will be placed at the health department to allow residents to pick up test kits at no cost. The machine will be placed by the state.
* Staff are available for outreach in the community. Staff can provide free blood pressure screenings at health fairs or other community events. Ms. Sturdevan can also speak about health department services, including vaccines.

**Health Update – Brooke Pearson (See Attached)**

* Ms. Pearson reviewed the environmental health report for the Turner County Health Department. There were no areas of concern identified.

**Announcements**

* There were no announcements.

**Adjournment**

* The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:32 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Brad Calhoun, Board Secretary

Gayle McKissack, Typist