

**Sarpy/Cass Department of Health & Wellness  
Emergency Board of Health Meeting  
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An emergency meeting of the Sarpy/Cass Board of Health was called to order at 7:00 pm on Friday, September 9, 2005 at the Sarpy/Cass Department located at 701 Olson Drive, Ste. 101 in Papillion, NE.

**Roll Call:**

Kathy Burson – present; Bob Clancy – present; Dr. Linda Ford – present; Tim Gay – absent; Virgil Keller – present; Carrie Krist – absent; Nancy Noda – present; Vicky Robert – present; Dr. Frank Varon – present.

Clancy stated his concern about the possible influx of evacuees of Hurricane Katrina. Clancy felt that the Health Department could partner with the Douglas County Health Department or offer assistance to Douglas County.

On Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> Cass County had 2 people show up at the General Assistance office for help. Clancy's concern is about possible disease that could be attributed to evacuees migrating to the counties.

Per Keller, the American Red Cross has been designated by FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) as the organization to deal with the initial intake of the evacuees. If we do have any evacuees that come to the Health Department for assistance they must be directed to the Red Cross in order to obtain federal money.

Nancy Braswell, the Emergency Response Coordinator, detailed the plan for the counties. She has been attending several meetings in regards to Hurricane Katrina and has prepared accordingly. She has registered with the State to provide a list of supplies the Department has available for deployment.

It was among consensus of the BOH that department employees will be paid for two weeks if they are called to assist with any evacuees. No roll call was taken.

The meeting was concluded by stating that the Department will follow the guidelines established by the state, refer all evacuees to the Red Cross, and provide a letter of support to the Douglas County Health Department stating that the Sarpy/Cass Department of Health & Wellness will provide financial assistance if necessary and needed.

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 8:18pm.

ATTEST:

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Virgil Keller, President  
Sarpy/Cass Board of Health

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Vicky Roberts  
Secretary/Treasurer  
Sarpy/Cass Board of Health