

**MINUTES
OF THE
BOARD OF HEALTH**

JEFFERSON COUNTY, COLORADO

On July 17, 2018 at 4:00 p.m., President Bonnie McNulty called the meeting to order. Lindsey Gonzales took roll call. The following additional Board members were present: Dr. Dawn Comstock and Kimberley Krapek. Amanda Crusier, counsel for Jefferson County Public Health, was also present.

For the record Lane Drager and Greg Deranleau were absent. A quorum was established.

Staff Members Presenting

Dr. Margaret Huffman, Director – Community Health Services
Elise Lubell, Director – Health Promotion and Lifestyle Management
Joseph Badalpour, Administrative Services
Dr. Mark Johnson, Executive Director
Jody Erwin, Deputy Director
James Rada, Environmental Health Services
Ashley Moore, Health Promotion and Lifestyle Management
Allison Wilson, Community Health Services
Marion Kalb, Health Promotion and Lifestyle Management
Jenna Metzinger, Health Promotion and Lifestyle Management

Acceptance of Agenda

Two corrections to the proposed agenda were suggested: 1) move the approval of the May meeting minutes to the August agenda. 2) move new employee introductions from agenda item 12 to agenda item 3. Dr. Comstock made a motion to approve the agenda as proposed with changes. Ms. Krapek seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

Employee of the Month Presentation

The Board of Health presented the June Employee of the Month certificate to Tracy Volkman, with Environmental Health Services.

Staff Comments

Dr. Huffman introduced new employees within Community Health Services. Ms. Lubell introduced new employees within Health Promotion and Lifestyle Management. Mr. Rada introduced Mitch Brown with Environmental Health Services as a new Environmental Health Supervisor. Mr. Brown will oversee the Onsite Wastewater Program.

Variance Case

Case Number 18-105102OW

Jon Vickery, from Environmental Health Services, presented the variance case to the Board, and after comments by the public (Mrs. & Mr. Barenbrugge), the case engineer, the owner, and Board discussion, Dr. Comstock made a motion to approve Case Number 18-105102OW. Ms. Krapek seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

Financial Report

Mr. Badalpour presented the financial report for June of 2018. Ms. Krapek made a motion to approve the report as presented. Dr. Comstock seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

Contracts and Agreements

Mr. Erwin presented the contracts and agreements. Ms. Krapek made a motion to approve the contracts and agreements as presented. Dr. Comstock seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

Approval of Warrants

Ms. Krapek made a motion to approve the warrants as submitted. Dr. Comstock seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

Old Business

Mr. Erwin reviewed the 2019 Jefferson County Public Health budget proposal with the Board. After Board discussion, Ms. Krapek made a motion to approve the 2019 Jefferson County Public Health Budget as presented. Dr. Comstock seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

New Business

Ashley Moore, Public Information Manager for Jefferson County Public Health (JCPH), presented a second quarter health communications update to the Board. This quarter, JCPH had a significant amount of local media coverage. More than 43 original stories resulted in 86 placements across print, television and radio. Major themes were emergency preparedness (wildfires, communications plan, etc.), animal borne diseases, such as rabies and tularemia, SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program), farmers' markets openings, and food insecurity. This quarter, JCPH also participated in more than a dozen events in the community. Staff across all divisions engaged with community members around various JCPH services. JCPH also implemented a brand-new system for organizing, tracking and evaluating participation at community events.

Allison Wilson, with Community Health Services, presented an update regarding healthy beverages and healthy children's meals. Ms. Wilson shared the success of a three-year healthy beverage project. For the last three years, JCPH worked on organizational policies so that recreation centers and public places have better vending, concessions and healthy meetings. Of the people that took part in a 30-day hidden-sugar pledge in the seven-county Denver metro region, 42% were able to decrease the number of sugary drinks they were drinking.

Ms. Wilson also shared about the cross-divisional work with Environmental Health Services to track drink offerings on all children's menus in the county. Data will be completed in December 2019. JCPH is raising awareness among restaurant owners by sharing infographic information in their inspection reports. The goal is to have default healthy drinks on all children's menus by 2020. This work will now be led by our new staff member, Marissa Silverberg, as part of the Food Systems work with Marion Kalb. Ms. Wilson will be coordinating the Jefferson County part of the new Advancing Breastfeeding in Colorado project.

Jenna Metzinger and Marion Kalb, with Health Promotion and Lifestyle Management, presented the 2018 Farm Bill Platform from the Food Policy Council. They are striving to approach all local policy work with a health equity lens, seeking to confront the power imbalances at the root of health inequities in the community. Because of this, they have focused on the Farm Bill, since its policies directly affect urban farmers, the environment, and the most vulnerable populations in Jefferson County. Three members of the Food Policy Council Farm Bill Committee, Becky Scharfenberg, Brad Wicks, and Anna Schott, addressed the Board regarding how the Farm Bill has impacted their businesses.

Chris Arnold, a community member from Indian Hills, presented a concept report on an onsite wastewater treatment system for ground nitrate loading. This report was put together by an Indian Hills water study group. They have been working in coordination with Jefferson County Public Health staff and request that the Board of Health consider their concerns and findings. They recommend that the Board consider application of a specific nitrate loading concept they have developed for all new development that utilizes onsite wastewater treatment systems that rely on the fractured rock aquifer for their drinking water supply in the mountainous portions of Jefferson County. The water study group would like to come back to the Board of Health at the August meeting (August 21, 2018) to present additional information about this concept to the Board.

Public Comment

Mr. Steve Hosie would like the updated Board of Health Bylaws to reflect Study Sessions and how they are presented throughout the year. Mr. Hosie would like to have published meeting minutes from the Board of Health's all day off-site planning meeting from June 2018. Mr. Hosie shared information he has found regarding Section 21 of the Jefferson County Land Development Regulations (Well Water Supply Report) and standards for water quality testing. Mr. Hosie encourages the Environmental Health Division to reach out to the County to get a copy of the well water supply reports.

Mr. Hosie believes by accessing these reports Environmental Health Services can start building a database to identify where nitrate or other types of contamination is in the mountain overlay districts. Mr. Hosie encouraged the Board of Health to reach out to the Jefferson County Planning and Zoning department to support the idea of merging lots across Jefferson County.

Chris Arnold asked the Board what the definition of a hardship is for a variance case. Amanda Cruser, the attorney for the Board, provided Mr. Arnold with the definition being used.

Executive Director's Comments

N/A

Director Comments

Mr. Rada shared the most recent ozone data within Jefferson County with the Board of Health.

Staff Comments:

N/A

Board of Health Comment

N/A

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the Board of Health, the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.