

MINUTES
OF THE
BOARD OF HEALTH

JEFFERSON COUNTY, COLORADO

**** This meeting was held via Zoom ****

On March 17, 2020 at 4:00 p.m., President Greg Deranleau called the meeting to order. Lindsey Gonzales took roll call. The following additional Board members were present: Cheri Jahn, Dr. Dawn Comstock, Dr. Kimberley Krapek and Lane Drager. Amanda Crusier, counsel for Jefferson County Public Health, was also present.

For the record a quorum was established.

Staff Members Presenting

Dr. Mark Johnson, Executive Director
Jody Erwin, Deputy Director
Joseph Badalpour, Administrative Services

Acceptance of Consent Agenda

Mr. Drager made a motion to approve the proposed consent agenda. Ms. Jahn seconded the motion.
Motion Passed

New Employee Introductions

Mr. Erwin introduced Larry Armstrong, Jefferson County Public Health's new IT supervisor.

Public Comment

Steve Hosie, resident of Indian Hills, discussed social distancing concerns related to the coronavirus pandemic at coffee shops and post offices. Mr. Hosie also shared concerns in terms of the senior citizen population and how they can safely access groceries and other essential items during this time. Mr. Hosie thanked the Board of Health for changing the meeting format to an online meeting to ensure public participation.

Financial Report

Mr. Badalpour presented the February 2020 financial statements to the Board. Dr. Comstock made a motion to approve the presented financial reports. Mr. Drager seconded the motion.
Motion Passed

New Business

Dr. Johnson shared with the Board the attorney for Jefferson County, is working on a public health emergency order for the county. Dr. Johnson will share the draft with the Board of Health for their review before it is finalized.

The clerk to the Board of Health discussed the agenda for the April 21st meeting between the Jefferson County Board of County Commissioners and the Jefferson County Board of Health. Agenda items for discussion include, the 2021 budget for Jefferson County and Jefferson County Public Health. This meeting will begin at 4:00 p.m. and the Board of Health's business meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m.

The Board determined they will hold a Special Board of Health meeting on April 14th at 4:00 p.m. to hear the variance cases originally to be heard at the March 17th Board of Health meeting (cases were postponed due to the evolving situation around the coronavirus pandemic).

Both Board of Health meetings will be held via Zoom in April. Meeting details will be posted to the Jefferson County Public Health's Board of Health page at least five days before the scheduled meeting.

Executive Director Hiring Process Update

Mr. Deranleau shared the Board had made a job offer to one of the final candidates shortly after the second interviews, which were held on February 28th. However, the final candidate subsequently turned down the position due to personal reasons.

Due to the evolving coronavirus pandemic, ongoing discussions regarding a quad county health department with Douglas, Arapahoe and Adams counties and the upcoming budget concerns effecting Jefferson County, Dr. Johnson has decided to put his retirement on hold. The Board thanked Dr. Johnson for his continued leadership during this volatile time and would like to revisit his retirement plans in June or July of 2020.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the Board of Health, the meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.