

Regular Meeting of the Board of Health
Columbine Conference Room
Durango, CO
3/29/2018 09:00 AM

MINUTES

Attendance: Bob Ledger, Shere Byrd, Gwen Lachelt, Terryl Peterson, Ann Bruzzese; Michael Whiting - absent, Karin Daniels - absent; Jeff Robbins, Legal Counsel

Staff attending: Liane Jollon, Executive Director; Flannery O'Neil, Deputy Director; Lesley Marie, Deputy Director Admin Services; Brian Devine, Water Quality Program Manager; Laura Warner, Population Health Director; Kristin Pulatie, Assessment & Planning Director; Sylven Watson, Executive Assistant and Clerk to the Board

- I. CALL TO ORDER: 9:05 AM**
- II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA & CONTENT:** La Plata County Commissioner Lachelt requested addition of an "Other Business" item to the agenda for discussion of a grant for a mobile morgue for the County Coroner. Board agreed to add the item as XII-C. Staff requested the Board preview the video just received for use at this evening's SJBPB Anniversary Party. Board agreed to add the video before item VII.
- III. IDENTIFICATION OF POTENTIAL OR PERCEIVED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:** none.
- IV. PUBLIC HEARING:** none.
- V. OPEN REGULAR MEETING**
- VI. PUBLIC COMMENT:** No public comment.
- VII. STAFF PRESENTATION**
 - a. SJBPB Anniversary video. The Board viewed the video and provided positive feedback to staff.
 - b. Water/Air Quality Programs by Brian Devine. Brian presented the program summary. The Board briefly discussed and commented on local water quality, and requested future reports on private well testing results and trends.
- VIII. CONSENT ITEMS**
 - a. Approval of Minutes from February, 22, 2018 Board of Health Meeting. Shere moved to approve February minutes and hear discussion on the Mercy Community Benefit Funding Application, Ann seconded, Board members Terryl and Bob abstained, motion passed.
 - b. Mercy Community Benefit Funding Application by Laura Warner and Kristin Pulatie. Laura presented a summary of the funding application. The Board discussed the extent of funding as it relates to the scope of potential activities, and staff provided answers to questions. Board questions were satisfied. Shere moved to approve the funding application, Terryl seconded, motion passed.
- IX. ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR DECISION**
 - a. February 2018 Financial Report by Finance Committee. Terryl reviewed the report for the Board. Staff provided details for the Board's questions regarding accounts receivable. Shere moved to accept, Terryl seconded, motion passed.
 - b. Animas Mosquito Control District Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) follow-up by legal counsel. Jeff Robbins reviewed the Animas Mosquito Control District (AMCD) request and summarized the legal analysis based in existing statute. Counsel offered direction to the Board to determine whether it desires to interpret its statutory authority as described in the memo to the Board before moving forward with any form of an IGA. Board discussion included procedures for action in such situations, and perceived constitutional issues. The Board arrived at consensus to hear related cases on a case-by-case basis for

evidence of a public health threat. Ann moved to direct legal counsel to draft a letter to AMCD setting forth a process for bringing cases to the Executive Director as delegate for the Board. Shere seconded, motion passed.

- c. Southwest Colorado Council of Governments (SWCCOG)/Colorado Telehealth Network, Rural Healthcare funding letter. Liane reviewed the issue for the Board. The Board discussed the responses received from SWCCOG representative, and alternatives currently being acted upon by the State of Colorado Legislature. The Board requested the minutes reflect: 1) that the Board has delegated action to Liane; 2) that Liane has informed the Board no action has been taken; 3) the Board agrees.
- d. Board of Health Officer Election. Shere moved to accept the slate of officers as nominated, Gwen seconded, motion passed. Officers are: Bob Ledger, Chair; Ann Bruzzese, Vice Chair; Terry Peterson, Treasurer. Secretary was not nominated because the Clerk to the Board performs secretarial duties.

X. REPORTS

- a. Executive Director and Staff Reports by Liane Jollon. Liane presented and reviewed the reports for the Board.
 - Executive Director noted receipt of a request from Colorado Association of Local Public Health Officers (CALPHO) asking San Juan Basin Public Health (SJBPH) to consider taking a position on HB18-1301 currently before the legislature. Liane reviewed and discussed the CALPHO request for the Board. Commissioner Lachelt informed the Board that La Plata County has also taken an official position of support on this bill.
 - Flannery updated the Board on the Healthcare Coalition. SJBPH has been serving as the fiscal agent. Over the last nine months, the coalition has been working to complete the contract deliverables and ensure that the region is ready to respond to an emergency. The Health Care Coalition has excess funds and will be opening a grant process to partners to apply for funds to support regional capacity building.
 - Board member made positive comments on the recent presentation by Flannery and Liane addressing Suicide Prevention to the Pagosa Springs Medical Center Board.
 - Liane summarized reasons for vacancy of the SJBPH Finance Director position. She reported that issues have been identified and corrected, and a corrective action plan addressing internal controls is being developed. The Finance Committee will provide the Board with an update at the next Board meeting.
- b. Executive/Management/Personnel Committee Updates by Bob Ledger and Ann Bruzzese. No report.

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION. The Board did not enter into Executive Session.

XII. OTHER BUSINESS

- a. Community Health Assessment (CHA) Survey reminder. Staff reported that eight hundred and thirty-five completed surveys have been received to date. Surveys may be completed online or on paper through the first week of April.
- b. Staff reminded the Board of the SJBPH 70th Anniversary parties: March 29, 2018, Durango Public Library, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.; April 12, 2018, Ross Aragon Community Center, Pagosa Springs, 4 – 6 p.m.
- c. La Plata County Morgue: Commissioner Lachelt summarized current morgue facility challenges. The county is exploring a mobile unit as an alternative when the current storage and morgue facility is inaccessible. Staff reported that SJBPH is reviewing this issue through an Emergency Preparedness lens and will assist county staff with an application for healthcare coalition funds once that application is available, although the funds may not be able to be used to meet this need. Board member asked about Archuleta County use of the current facility. Board member asked if there are other solutions, and if another stand-alone facility

might be constructed.

XIII. NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

4/26/2018 9:00 a.m., County Commissioner's Room, 398 Lewis Street, Pagosa Springs, CO

XIV. ADJOURN 10:46 AM

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