

Summit County Board of Health Meeting Minutes

Conducted Remotely through Zoom

Monday, September 14, 2020 - DRAFT

Topic	Discussion	Action or Summary
Attendance	<p>Board Members Present: Ilyssa Golding - Chair, Doug Evans, Marc Watterson, Chris Cherniak, Chris Ure, Kim Carson, Dorothy Adams</p> <p>Staff Present: Dr. Richard Bullough – Director, Dr. Phil Bondurant, Nate Brooks, Cindy Keyes, Carolyn Rose, Shelley Worley, Louise Saw, Brian Craven, Katy Staley</p>	
	CLOSED SESSION – Personnel 4:00-4:30	
Welcome and approval of minutes	<p>The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. Board Member Cherniak made a motion to open the meeting. Board Member Carson seconded the motion.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board Member Carson made a motion to approve the minutes for the June 22, 2020 Board of Health Meeting with changes. Board Member Ure seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0. • Board Member Ure made a motion to approve the minutes for the June 24, 2020 Board of Health Meeting as written. Board Member Cherniak seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0. • Board Member Cherniak made a motion to approve the minutes for the July 6, 2020 Board of Health Meeting as written. Board Member Evans seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0. • Board Member Carson made a motion to approve the minutes for the June 22, 2020 Board of Health Meeting with changes. Board Member Cherniak seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0. 	<p>Summary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The minutes for the June 22, 2020, June 24, 2020, July 6, 2020 and July 20, 2020 Board of Health meetings were approved.</i>
Public Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No public comment was made. 	
BOH Chair and Co-Chair Discussion and Possible Action	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Bullough thanked Dr. Ilyssa Golding for being Chair of the Board of Health this last year and stated it would be beneficial to have Dr. Golding serve out the rest of 2020 as Chair and have a Chair Elect to begin as Chair in January 2021. Board Member Cherniak volunteered to be Chair Elect. Dr. Bullough noted that Dr. Golding has been engaged, vested and curious as the Board Chair. • Board Member Watterson made a motion to appoint Chris Cherniak as Chair Elect to begin as Chair in January 2021. Board Member Evans seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0. 	<p>Summary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Chris Cherniak was appointed as Chair Elect to begin his term as Chair January 2021.</i>
COVID-19 Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Bullough shared a COVID-19 summary. Louise Saw was introduced as the new epidemiologist, who is currently working on refining and updating the COVID-19 dashboard. There has been an increase in the number of COVID-19 cases, with the current count being 919 cases. The number of cases in surrounding counties are surging. There have been 53 hospitalizations in Summit County. Young people are driving the pandemic in the County, and there is still only one death attributed to COVID-19 in Summit County. The case fatality rate in the United States is 2.5 to 4 percent. COVID-19 is a deadly disease. Utah’s case fatality rate is below one percent of positive cases. Sweden’s case fatality rate is around seven percent as their country is trying to achieve herd immunity. The case fatality rate of COVID-19 is about ten times more than the case fatality rate of influenza. • Summit County has about four to six positive cases of COVID-19 per day, which is pretty low compared to other areas. Thanks is given to the community for keeping COVID-19 pretty well controlled. The positivity rate for the County is at six percent, with a goal of under five percent. There is a pretty even split of male and female positive cases, with the Hispanic/Latino community overrepresented. The majority of cases (86%) 	<p>Summary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Data for COVID-19 was shared and discussed.</i> • <i>The younger population is driving the pandemic in Summit County.</i> • <i>There are a small number of positive cases in the schools. The schools are nowhere near the number of cases that would cause the schools to close.</i> • <i>Data for antibody testing should be available soon.</i> • <i>The public should continue to be vigilant, as COVID-19 is the third leading cause of death in</i>

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	<p>are in Western Summit County.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COVID-19 is in the schools, with three cases in the Park City School District in three different schools. There are several students being quarantined, but overall, the schools are doing well. There is one student in another school district that has tested positive, but that student is already doing remote learning. The schools in Summit County are nowhere near the number of positive cases that would cause a school to shut down. • Ages 20 to 24 have the highest number of positive cases, and messaging will continue to be focused on that group. There was one case in a daycare since the Board approved some specific guidelines for masks in daycares. The case was quickly quarantined and there was no spread. There have been no known cases linked to fitness centers. The Board made the correct decision for the appeal from fitness centers. • Dr. Bullough has no new data on antibodies, but should have some soon. It would be a surprise if the County reaches five percent for antibodies, which shows the County is a long way from having herd immunity. • In 2020, COVID-19 is the third leading cause of death in the United States, behind heart disease and cancer. Everyone needs to continue being vigilant. Board Member Evans stated he believes the death rate for COVID-19 is underestimated. 	<p><i>the United States in 2020.</i></p>
Budget Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cindy Keyes shared the budget. The budget process begins with each department in the County filling out a budget template. An eight-person budget committee reviews all the budgets, which include eight budgets from the Health Department. The County Manager then reviews the budgets, which are then presented to the County Council. The budgets are usually approved in December. • The Health Department is mostly funded by grants, which have driven the budget changes. Sustainability had an employee resign, which accounts for the large change in the Sustainability budget. The Mental Health/Substance Abuse funding is significantly smaller, as the grants for those programs have not been funded. There has not been a reduction in services for the Mental Health and Substance Abuse programs. The grant funding that is not received would have gone to programs that have not been built in or developed yet. • Dr. Bondurant shared that next month there will be a discussion about fee increases. Fee increases are on a three-year rotating schedule. The proposed increases will be presented with justifications for each proposed increase. The Board will discuss the proposed increases and has the ultimate decision-making responsibility. • The budget changes are not due to any reduction in Staff. Environmental Health had one employee move and they are working to fill that position. • Dr. Bullough shared that the funding for the County to do contact tracing is coming from the CARES Act. Cindy is managing eight CARES Act grants which are being spent out. It is not clear if the CARES Act funding will carry over into 2021, so no CARES Act money is being included in the budget. There is a separate budget for COVID-19 funds. The CARES Act money is being used in the areas that it will have the most impact, which includes building capacity to address potential case surges, and future mass vaccinations. • Every department in the County is being asked to significantly reduce their budgets. This is forcing the Health Department to be more efficient in where the budget is being spent. Core health programs will still be provided. 	<p><i>Summary:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The budget for 2021 was shared and discussed.</i> • <i>Fee increases will be discussed at next month's meeting.</i> • <i>CARES Act money is being utilized.</i> • <i>Each department in the County is being asked to significantly reduce their budget. Core health programs will still be provided.</i>
Other Board Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Bondurant shared that the Health Department is still receiving appeals for the mask ordinance, but most will not make it to the Board 	<p><i>Summary:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Dr. Bondurant is still</i>

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	level. Dr. Bondurant is currently working with Park City Recreation to allow up to six people on a tennis court at a time.	<i>working on appeals as they come in, but most will not make it to the Board level.</i>
Adjourn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The meeting adjourned at 5:44 p.m. • <i>Board Members Cherniak and Ure made a motion to adjourn. Motion passed 6-0. Board Member Carson left the meeting early.</i> 	<p><i>Summary:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The next regular meeting will be scheduled as a Zoom conference on Monday, October 5, 2020.</i>