



MINUTES

SUMMIT COUNTY

Board of Health

QUINN'S BUILDING

650 ROUND VALLEY DRIVE, PARK CITY, UTAH, 84060

MONDAY, MAY 6, 2024

Meeting also conducted via Zoom.

Board Chair Alissa Van Wie welcomed board members at 4:00 PM

Alissa Van Wie
Chris Cherniak
Ilyssa Golding
Michelle Downard
Stephen Trapp
Byron Ames

Phil Bondurant
Kendra Babitz
Nathan Brooks
Nancy Porter
Jennifer Morrill
Isaac Cortes
Chris Crowley
Penci Carreno
Emily Quinton

*Absent Board Members: Tonja Hanson

Work Session

Utah Association of Local Boards of Health (UALBOH) Symposium Recap –
Chris Cherniak

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Board member Chris Cherniak shared an overview of the UALBOH Symposium that was held at the museum of ancient life. He spoke about some of the activities, discussions, and presentations that took place. Dr. Bondurant shared some photographs taken at the UALBOH Symposium.

Board members asked follow-up questions. Dr. Bondurant answered.

Board member Chris Cherniak stated that he was elected chairman of UALBOH and that he will start in June.

Board Chair Alissa Van Wie asked members of the board to start thinking of a goal for the year that aligns with the budget that the board would like to achieve.

*Board member Byron Ames arrived at 4:07 PM

Board chair Van Wie stated that this was board member Byron Ames's first board meeting.

Board members and staff took turns introducing themselves to board member Ames. Board member Ames introduced himself and provided a brief background history.

Public Health Accreditation Discussion – Dr. Phil Bondurant

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Dr. Bondurant led the conversation on the public health accreditation discussion. He asked board members if they had any thoughts, questions, or comments that the health department staff should consider. Board members provided comments and asked follow-up questions, which Dr. Bondurant answered.

Dr. Bondurant stated that there was no harm in delaying the accreditation process; there would be more harm in rushing it through.

Board member Golding asked how much the accreditation process would burden the staff. Dr. Bondurant answered her question.

Community Health Assessment Update – Nancy Porter

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Epidemiologist Nancy Porter, shared a promotional video about the community health assessment that Communication Coordinator Isaac Cortes, put together. Isaac Cortes stated that the video will be posted on social media platforms. Nancy Porter shared a preview of the community health assessment draft survey with members of the board. It will be electronic, on paper, loaded on iPads at events, and mobile-friendly. The survey will have a short and long version, both in Spanish and English. She provided additional information about the questions on the survey.

Board members provided supportive comments and suggestions and asked follow-up questions. Nancy Porter replied.

Sustainability Program Manager Emily Quinton spoke about the Climate Change & Public Health Speaker Series events last year and the upcoming events. She invited all board of health members to the Health + Our Changing Environment events on Tuesday, May 14th at the Kamas Services Building and Monday, May 20th at the Swaner EcoCenter. She provided additional details about the events and what to expect. Emily Quinton stated that she and Nancy Porter are joining forces to integrate climate change-related topics into the Community Health

Assessment.

Board member Chris Cherniak asked where the Climate Change & Public Health Speaker Series events would be advertised, to which Emily Quinton replied.

Measles Update – Chris Crowley

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Nursing Director Derek Moss, gave a brief overview of the status of measles. He stated that there were currently no cases in Utah or in Summit County, and the big focus is getting the word out that the vaccines are available, affordable, and, in some cases, free. Public Health Emergency Health Manager Chris Crowley, spoke about the measles emergency response and provided details about the emergency response plan. He stated that messaging is a very important part of the response and that there have been discussions about consistent messaging with Summit County health department partners.

Board member Chris Cherniak asked about the current vaccination rate and what the goal is. Nancy Porter and Derek Moss responded.

Board member Ilyssa Golding asked a follow-up question on school vaccination rates and exemptions, to which Derek Moss and Nancy Porter replied.

Dr. Bondurant asked Nancy Porter to clarify the 85.3 percent and what demographic of the population that number represents. Nancy Porter expanded on her explanation.

Consideration of Approval by the Board

Approval of April 2024 Board of Health Meeting Minutes – Board of Health

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Chris Cherniak made a motion to approve April 2024 Board of Health Meeting Minutes – Board of Health. Michelle Downard seconded, and all voted in favor, (5-0).

*Board member Byron Ames abstained.

Environmental Health Wastewater and Health Code Updates – Nathan Brooks

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Environmental Health Director Nathan Brooks, provided background information on the health code revisions. He explained the changes under Summit County Code of Health section C.1-3-9: Lot size requirement for Individual Wastewater System to members of the board. This would help streamline the review process so that not every variance has to go to the board of health. He asked members of the board that the health code revisions be moved to a 30-day comment

period.

Board chair Alissa Van Wie asked for clarification: if the health officer upholds the denial, it will only get to the board of health if they decide to appeal. Nathan Brooks replied.

Board member Chris Cherniak asked what data is considered for a lot size of an acre or half an acre. Nathan Brooks answered.

Board member Michelle Downard asked what the time line was for submitting an appeal and what eligibility criteria must be met by the applicant, to which Nathan Brooks and Dr. Bondurant replied.

Byron Ames made a motion to approve Environmental Health Wastewater and Health Code Updates 30-day comment period. Chris Cherniak seconded, and all voted in favor, (6-0).

New Board of Health Vice Chair Selection and Possible Approval – Alissa Van Wie, Board Chair

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Board Chair Alissa Van Wie led the conversation on the vice chair selection. She provided background information about the roles and responsibilities of the vice chair. Only board members who have not served the vice chair position are eligible.

Board member Chris Cherniak provided more information about the duties of the vice chair role.

Chris Cherniak made a motion to Nominate Michelle Downard as the Board of Health Vice Chair. Byron Ames seconded, and all voted in favor, (6-0).

Public Comment on non-Agenda Items

Board Chair Alissa Van Wie opened public comment at 5:20 PM.

No public comments were offered.

Board Chair Alissa Van Wie closed public comment at 5:20 PM.

Director and Board Final Comments

Health Department Director's Comments

Dr. Bondurant shared that Sustainability Program Manager Emily Quinton, and Deputy Health Director Kendra Babitz, are leading the charge to update the Summit County General Plans. The planning department is looking for two advisory committee members. He stated the registration link will be sent to members of the board for anyone who is interested. Kendra Babitz, provided additional information about the general plans and about the two positions to be on the advisory committee.

Board members asked follow-up questions, to which Kendra Babtiz replied.

Dr. Bondurant shared that he and Kendra Babitz attended the Get Healthy Utah Road Show. It was a celebration of the work that

Coalville's, Mayor Mark Marsh, and our Health Educator Tabitha Allred have done. Tabitha Allred helped Coalville City get the designation for Utah Healthy Communities; they are the second healthy city in Summit County. Dr. Bondurant shared that the Summit County Council made the decision that all behavioral health will be under the umbrella of public health. No common ground was found in the negotiations with the University of Utah as a contracted party. Summit County will be its own service provider for behavioral health. He stated that Mental Health Coordinator Aaron Newman, will be overseeing the behavioral health clinic.

Board members asked follow-up questions on the behavioral health changes. Dr. Bondurant answered those questions.

Board Member Comments

Dr. Ilyssa Golding asked if any dairy cows were testing positive for H5N1, to which Dr. Bondurant answered.

Board Chairman Comments

Board Chair Alissa Van Wie shared that Dr. Bondurant's contract is due for renewal and asked if board members were available to meet for a special meeting on May 8th.

Board members agreed to meet virtually for the special meeting.

Meeting Adjournment at 5:40 PM

Chris Cherniak made a motion to approve Meeting Adjournment at 5:40 PM. Michelle Downard seconded, and all voted in favor, (6-0).

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