



MINUTES

SUMMIT COUNTY

Board of Health

QUINN'S BUILDING

650 ROUND VALLEY DRIVE, PARK CITY, UTAH, 84060

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2024

Meeting also conducted via Zoom.

3:00 – 4:00 PM Closed Session (Personnel)

Board members met in closed session to discuss personnel.

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

Alissa Van Wie
Heidi Gordon
Chris Cherniak
Dorothy Adams
Tonja B Hanson
Chris Ure
Ilyssa Golding

Phil Bondurant
Kendra Babitz
Ryan Stack
Helen Strachan
Nathan Brooks
Derek Moss
Jennifer Morrill
Jennifer Bateman
Nancy Porter
Michelle Downard
Brian Craven
Isaac Cortes

Work Session

Sundance Update – Nathan Brooks

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Nathan Brooks, Environmental Health Director, provided an update to the Board regarding what environmental health does during Sundance.

He shared that approximately 30 permits were issued for events serving food and drinks. Inspections were conducted to check compliance with health and safety regulations. He stated that Giovanna Herrera, Administrative Assistant to Environmental Health, played a crucial role in organizing and overseeing those events, contributing to their smooth execution.

Board Member Chris Cherniak asked what a typical inspection was. Nathan Brooks replied.

Board Chair Alissa Van Wie asked how many staff members did those inspections, to which Nathan Brooks answered.

Dr. Bondurant gave major kudos to Nathan Brooks and the Environmental Team for the great job they did, and for keeping everything safe.

Consideration of Approval by the Board

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

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Attachment: BOH MM 01-08-24 Draft.pdf

Chris Cherniak made a motion to approve Approval of January 2024 Board of Health Meeting Minutes – Board of Health. Chris Ure seconded, and all voted in favor, (7-0).

Director and Board Final Comments

Health Department Director's Comments

Dr. Bondurant thanked the members of the Board of Health for their contributions. In recognition of their service and commitment to the Board of Health, plaques were presented to departing members.

Board member Heidi Gordon gave thanks for the opportunity to be on the board and shared that she appreciated the experience.

Board Member Comments

Board member Chris Cherniak discussed a product called Neptune's Fix. This dietary product contains a chemical called tianeptine, sometimes referred to as "gas station heroin." He asked Dr. Bondurant if the Health Department has any authority to monitor such products and intervene if necessary. Dr. Bondurant answered.

Board member Cherniak stated that the Utah Alliance of Local Boards of Health will be hosting its annual symposium this year on April 17th and 18th at Thanksgiving Point. He gave a preview of a few of the presentations that would be given at the symposium.

Kendra Babitz, Deputy Health Director, shared that the Health Department has been invited to tour the Snyderville Basin Water Reclamation District on February 29th. She extended this invitation to all board members.

Board Chairman Comments

Board Chair Alissa Van Wie asked Dr. Bondurant when the new board of health members would be selected. Dr. Bondurant replied.

Board member Cherniak inquired about updates on the flu virus season. Nancy Porter, Epidemiologist, answered. 4:24 PM

Appeal of Denial for Individual Wastewater System Variance for Undersized Lot of Record, Lot KK-4-A, in Summit County, Utah – Dale and Joni Hatch 4:26 PM

Board Chair Alissa Van Wie led the discussion on the appeal of denial for an individual waste-water system. Board of Health members and Summit County staff took turns introducing themselves to Dale and Joni Hatch.

Dale and Joni Hatch provided a quick background and recap of the previous appeal discussion about obtaining a building permit that had previously been denied for their lot.

Board member Dorothy Adams clarified that the statute requires that if you want a variance, then you have to hire somebody who professionally can speak to the things that are outlined in the statute.

Torrey Copfer, a hydrogeologist from Wilding Engineering, representing the Hatch family, shared that he recently discovered that the lot in question already has a joint well and septic tank agreement. Under this agreement, they have access to an existing septic tank and well. He stated that the Hatch's are requesting permission to install their own system and well. Information on the system, which is a level 3 alternative septic system [E-Z Treat System] that handles water more effectively than a traditional system, was provided by Torrey Copfer.

Board Chair Alissa Van asked to clarify if the application was for shared use of a shared well or for both a well and septic system. Joni Hatch and Nathan Brooks responded.

Torrey Copfer and Joni Hatch shared additional information about the E-Z Treat system and the benefits of maintaining a separate system.

Board members asked clarifying questions on the E-Z Treat system proposed, to which Torrey Copfer and Joni Hatch answered.

Torrey Copfer stated that if you're in an approved subdivision with a shared septic system, the size restriction doesn't matter. Additionally, the minimum lot size requirement does not apply to building lots with prior health department approval, according to state code.

Ryan Stack, Civil Attorney provided clarification that the proposed variance application was for a single system, not a joint system. He stated that Table 1 Footnote A does not does cover the variance application that was proposed.

Board members provided comments and asked follow-up questions, to which Torrey Copfer, Nate Brooks, and Joni Hatch answered.

Public Comment on Appeal of Denial for Individual Wastewater System Variance

Chris Cherniak made a motion to Open Public Comment on Appeal of Denial for Individual Wastewater System Variance. Chris Ure seconded, and all voted in favor, (7-0).

Susan Silva, owner of lot 6, provided information about her property survey and septic agreement with the original owner. She spoke about her concerns about how far the well was going to be from her property

for her to have clean water.

Ashley Cleaver, owner of parcel KK-4-8 commented that the three structures surrounding the property are full-time year-round residents and asked if her vacant property next door would be approved for the same type of septic system. Board Chair Alissa Van Wie replied 5:38 PM

Board Chair Van Wie asked for a motion to close public comment. 5:41 PM

Chris Cherniak made a motion to Close Public Comment on Appeal of Denial for Individual Wastewater System Variance. Ilyssa Golding seconded, and all voted in favor, (7-0).

Members of the board and Board Chair Van Wie took turns sharing their final thoughts on the waste water system information presented. 5:42 PM

Torrey Copfer, Hydrogeologist, shared his final thoughts on the appeal and variance process with members of the board.

Possible Action on Appeal of Denial for Individual Wastewater System Variance for Undersized Lot of Record, Lot KK-4-A, in Summit County, Utah

Chris Cherniak made a motion to Uphold the decision by the Summit County Department of Health to deny this appeal for a wastewater system variance for this lot of record AK-4-A including the comments and information provided by Department of Health staff. Tonja B Hanson seconded, and the motion carried, (6-1).

Alissa Van Wie voted AYE

Heidi Gordon voted AYE

Chris Cherniak voted AYE

Dorothy Adams voted AYE

Tonja B Hanson voted AYE

Ilyssa Golding voted AYE

Chris Ure voted NAY

Public Comment on non-Agenda Items 5:55 PM

Board Chair Alissa Van Wie opened the meeting for public comment.

No public comments were offered.

Board Chair Alissa Van Wie closed the meeting for public comment.

Meeting Adjournment 5:55 PM

Chris Cherniak made a motion to approve Meeting Adjournment 5:55 PM. Chris Ure seconded, and all voted in favor, (7-0).

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