

**EL PASO COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH  
JANUARY 27, 2014  
BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES**

The El Paso County Board of Health met at 1675 West Garden of the Gods Road, Colorado Springs, Colorado, January 27, 2014. C.J. Moore, President, called the regular meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

**Board of Health Members:** C.J. Moore, President  
Victoria Broerman  
Helen Collins - excused  
Robert Bux  
Sallie Clark  
Kari Kilroy  
Amy Lathen - excused  
James Terbush  
Coreen Toll

**Division Directors Present:** Jill Law, Public Health Director  
Dan Martindale, Deputy Director  
Tom Gonzales, Environmental Health Director  
Kelley Christians, Health Services Division Director  
Susan Wheelan, Office of Communication Director  
Bill Letson, Medical Director

**Others Present at Regular Session:**

Elaine Johnson      Martin Thrasher      Kathi Schwan      Kathy Vincent  
Shannon Rowe      Karen Rubin

**Approval of Agenda**

C.J. Moore asked for approval of the agenda.

**MOVED:** by Sallie Clark seconded by Dr. James Terbush to approve the agenda for the January 27, 2014 meeting.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Board of Health members welcomed new Board member, Coreen Toll, Mayor pro tem of Manitou Springs.

**Retirement Resolution**

Karen Rubin, EPCPH Program Assistant in the Immunization Clinic will be retiring after more than 22 years of service.

**Approval of Board of Health Minutes**

**MOVED:** by Dr. Robert Bux seconded by Victoria Broerman to approve the minutes from the November Board of Health meeting.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Finance and Budget – Elaine Johnsen presenting for County Budget Officer**

Elaine Johnsen reviewed the preliminary December 2013 EPCPH budget before the Board. It was explained that the budget is balanced. Discussion ensued.

**MOVED:** by Kari Kilroy seconded by Sallie Clark to approve the financial report for December 2013, pending audit.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Directors report:** In the interest of time, Jill Law invited Board members to ask questions on any of the points listed in the report.

Victoria Broerman sought confirmation that residents of the Black Forest fire were not subject to the 2014 rate increase. Tom Gonzales, Environmental Health Director confirmed that his office reviewed 186 plans for damage at no cost and that 2013 rates will remain in effect for victims of the fire.

Ms. Broerman also asked if the TEPP program was working to discourage all smoking – to include marijuana. Jill Law confirmed that funding of TEPP grant, which comes from Amendment 35 dollars, cannot be redirected from its stated purpose, and contract as currently administered by CDPHE.

**Medical Director’s Report:** Dr. Letson, Medical Director indicated that there have been three cases of pertussis this year. He added that the H1N1 pandemic influenza strain that is prevalent so far this season makes younger people severely ill. There have been no new cases in last week at Memorial Hospital. We may see more H1N1 or a different strain later in the season. His message to the county is, “It’s never too late to vaccinate.”

**2014 Sunshine Resolution:** *Presented by Martin Thrasher, Legal Counsel.*

This resolution proposes that notices of public meetings will be posted downstairs at the entrance of the Citizens’ Service Center.

**MOVED:** by Sallie Clark seconded by C.J. Moore to adopt the 2014 Sunshine Resolution.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Board of Health Regular Meeting Schedule Resolution:** *Presented by Jill Law.*

The Board agreed to meet on the below listed dates during 2014. Martin Thrasher noted that the Public Health Director or the President of the Board of Health can opt to hold a Special Board Meeting with 24-hours notice at any time additional meetings are needed.

Monday, January 27, 2014	2:30 p.m. to approximately 5:00 p.m.
Monday, February 24, 2014	2:30 p.m. to approximately 5:00 p.m.
Monday, April 21, 2014	2:30 p.m. to approximately 5:00 p.m.
Monday, June 16, 2014	2:30 p.m. to approximately 5:00 p.m.
Monday, August 18, 2014	2:30 p.m. to approximately 5:00 p.m.
Monday, October 20, 2014	2:30 p.m. to approximately 5:00 p.m.
Monday, December 15, 2014	2:30 p.m. to approximately 5:00 p.m.

**MOVED:** by Sallie Clark seconded by Coreen Toll to adopt the 2014 Meeting Schedule.  
**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Election of 2014 Board Officers** *Presented by Martin Thrasher, Legal Counsel.*

Martin Thrasher explained the statute requiring annual election of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Board of Health. The first two positions are elected from the seated members. The County Treasurer serves as Board of Health Treasurer. The Board can choose to appoint the Public Health Director as Secretary or nominate one of the seated members.

The Board voted unanimously to appoint the following members during 2014:

- 1) President: Kari Kilroy
- 2) Vice-President: Dr. James Terbush
- 3) Secretary: Public Health Director

The newly elected parties will begin tenure effective Saturday, February 1, 2014.

**Resolution for Chapter 8 – Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems Regulations Hearing – February 24, 2014** *Presented by Tom Gonzales, Environmental Health Director*

Tom Gonzales explained that today's resolution is to set the hearing date for the Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems Regulations Hearing to take place on February 24, 2014.

**MOVED:** by Dr. Robert Bux seconded by Sallie Clark to approve the Resolution for Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems Regulations Hearing for February 24, 2014.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Resolution Opposing the Use of Non-medical Marijuana:** *Presented by Board member, Kari Kilroy*

This issue has come before the Board for several months. The Board agreed on several points, including the importance that the Public Health Board oppose the detrimental health impact that non medical marijuana can have. As an emergent issue, it is important that this issue be

addressed. The Board does not oppose businesses related to marijuana or wish to become politicized.

Clarifying language was added to the resolution during the meeting to make it clear that it is the negative health impact that concerned the Board.

**MOVED:** by Dr. Robert Bux seconded by Sallie Clark to approve the Resolution Opposing the Use of Non-Medical Marijuana as amended with clarifying language. Coreen Toll opposed.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Jill Law provided an update on WIC caseload trends over the past five years. GIS maps were not available from State. The WIC caseload constantly fluctuates. Individuals are able to get on the WIC list in within 20 business days. Even when EPCPH did not have guaranteed funding for WIC, during the government shut down, for example, WIC program operations continued and vouchers were provided to WIC recipients. Discussion ensued.

**Contracts**

- A. Immunization core contract
- B. Strong and Healthy Families contract – level funding for 2014.
- C. Child Care Facilities contract – level funding for 2014.

**MOVED:** by Sallie Clark seconded by Dr. Robert Bux to approve the three contracts brought before the Board.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Public Comments**

Sallie Clark expressed her thanks to Dan Martindale for working on the Not One More Child initiative, a program dedicated to identifying and reducing child abuse.

Dr. James Terbush commended Lisa Powell, Emergency Preparedness and Response Program Manager for teaching nursing students about their role in disaster assistance. This is an important skill set that will benefit those nursing students and the public they are able to assist.

**Next Board of Health meeting**

**February 24, 2014, 2:30 p.m. - 4:30**, located in the John Snow/Milton Miller conference room.

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