

Board of Health Meeting

December 06, 2017 / 12:00 p.m.

ATTENDEES

Ms. Shanna Wheeler, Ms. Staci Wilson, Mr Keith Goodspeed, Mr. Terry Nelson, Comm. Randy Asay, Comm. Ron Winterton, Comm. Brad Horrocks, Mr. Jordan Mathis (secretary), Ms. Natalie Linville (recorder), Mr. Darrin Brown, Mr. Scott Gessell, Mr. Nathan Hall, Dr. Karl Breitenbach, Dr. Jason Monfredi, Dr. Mike Smuin

EXCUSED

Dr. Richard Jolley

AGENDA

Meeting was called to order at 12:01 p.m.

Minutes Approval

Mr. Goodspeed made a motion to approve the previous Board minutes with no discrepancies. Comm. Asay seconded seconded the motion. Motion carried. Vote unanimous.

Water Fluoridation Presentation

Dr. Monfredi presented the Board with an informational slideshow on water fluoridation. Dr. Breitenbach and Dr. Smuin were present to support and give feedback to the presentation. Dr. Breitenbach wants to reinforce the fluoridation in the water. He writes a fluoride prescription to all pediatric patients. Many parents forget to fill the prescription or don't give it to their children.

Mr. Goodspeed asked which population of people are opposed. Dr. Breitenbach answered he can't imagine who would be opposed, but is sure there will be people that will.

The amount of fluoridation in the water is one part per million. Per person it costs hardly nothing to administer and ongoing maintenance costs are minimal.

Fluoride benefits in two ways. It protects as their teeth are forming and once their teeth come through it provides a topcoat.

Mr. Mathis stated he would check with the attorney to see if the Board can publically support fluoridation in the water.

Mr. Nathan Hall stated that there are 40 different community water systems in the TriCounty Area.

2017 Calendar Year-to-Date Fiscal Report

Mr. Gessell wants to focus on the bottom line today. This report reflects a 10 month period. We were in the red, \$113,000, in October. There are two reasons that it hasn't levelled out. There's a minimum performance standard that the State requires. The State pays X amount of dollars, that the State provides. Due to legalities the contract hasn't started yet so we have basically been denied \$75,000. Technically we are only down \$38,000 dollars once the minimum performance contract money comes through. We are going to get the minimum performance money, eventually. We are one month behind on reimbursements. Once reimbursements are received we will then be in the black. We should also get over \$400,000 from Uintah County in December. We are doing much better than last year and the two years before that.

2018 Final Budget Discussion & Approval

Our immunization program hasn't so much increased due to the number of immunizations, but the collection process. With the introduction of the electronic medical record, it has streamlined things and made things much more productive.

There were questions on the food voucher program. It is vouchers we give to the WIC clients. We see an increase in it, but in reality it's passthrough money. We just have to track.

In motorpool we have made significant progress. It is nice to work with Enterprise Fleet Management because they help us maintain them. Also, we desperately needed a way to get newer vehicles. This was the best option for us.

Comm. Winterton asked if we are putting money away in capital for the future. We are putting away \$108,000 for calendar year 2018. We've had a 70% increase in capital in the last year.

Mr. Gessell does want to mention a change for the 2018 budget. It's a minor \$1,100 for the PRION contract.

Mr. Mathis presented the Board with wage comparison between TCHD and the other health departments. The comparison was between entry to top wage with a median as an easier way to compare. Comm. Horrocks asked what the benefit percentage is between the health departments. Mr. Mathis stated that we don't have that data available today. We have the same benefits as Uintah County. Comm. Horrocks would like to know the total cost per person with wages and benefits.

A motion was made by Comm. Horrocks to approve the budget as presented and include a 1.5% merit increase for TCHD employees. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nelson. Motion carried. Vote unanimous.

2018 Meeting Schedule

The board meetings will stay the same for the coming year as the 4th Wednesday. Mr. Nelson made a motion to approve the proposed 2018 meeting schedule. Ms. Wheeler seconded the motion. Motion carried. Vote unanimous.

Board Terms & Elections

Both appointed Uintah County Board member terms are up this month. Mr. Mathis's recommendation is with Mr. Nelson and Ms. Wheeler is to extend them both one year so that we are in a regular schedule.

Remind Comm. Horrocks or contact Ellen to post Board positions.

Follow-up on Suicide Meeting

Why is such a no brainer such a big debate, locking up guns. Mr. Mathis agreed that irresponsible gun ownership is the leading cause of suicide in our area.

Quality Improvement Measures Update

As we've tried to develop our vision, our mission is to improve health and serve. We have an obligation to serve the public.

Closed Session

A motion was made by Comm. Horrocks to enter into closed session. The motion was seconded by Comm. Asay. Motion carried. Vote Unanimous. The meeting went to closed session at 1:58.

Came out of closed meeting at 2:31 p.m.

Action to take place:

A motion was made by Comm. Horrocks to increase Mr. Mathis's wages by 10%, effective January 1, 2018. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nelson. Motion carried. Vote unanimous.

A motion was made by Comm. Horrocks to give Mr. Mathis the discretion to give Mr. Gessell an increase up to 4.5%. A second made by Mr. Nelson. Motion carried. Vote unanimous.

A motion was made by Mr. Nelson to accept the proposed hearing schedule. Motion was seconded by Comm. Asay. Motion carried. Vote unanimous.

Meeting adjourned at 2:34 p.m.