



Board of Health
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Delta County Board of Health Meeting Minutes
 May 17, 2022

Board Members	Staff	Guests/Public
Mike Lane (outgoing) Jeri Roberts (new member) Don Suppes Wendell Koontz (excused) Jo Rosenquist Don Chapman (absent)	Greg Rajnowski Karen O'Brien Pat Sullivan Leone Anderson	Matt Jennings (new grant administrator)

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Suppes at **3:33 PM**.

3:33p Call to Order

- **Action on the minutes of April 19 meeting**
 Action on the April 19 minutes: Jo Rosenquist moved to approve/Commissioner Suppes second/Unanimous. Minutes approved.

3:35p Public Health Director's Report

- **Financials – Leone**
 - Circulation and Action of the April Payment Report
 - Review of the April Income Statement
 - Paying EH out of ARPA funds through the end of June.
 - Approve Financials - Commissioner Suppes moved to approve/Jo Rosenquist second/Unanimous. Financials approved.
- **Review of April Department Updates - Karen**
 - COVID Update:
 - We are seeing a slight uptick in cases, some areas around the state are seeing higher increases. Delta had 15 cases in the last two weeks (5/2 - 5/15), 1 hospitalization and 0 deaths in the last 14 days. 3.2% positivity in Delta County vs. state 6.3% in the last week.
 - Low risk according to the CDC new metrics.

- Still administering COVID boosters and vaccines. The state's vaccine bus is still providing support. Rotating between towns for 5/12 - 5/31: Paonia, Delta and Cedaredge.
 - Testing will continue at TruVu Mondays and Fridays 9-1pm. Also testing in Montrose and Mesa, Monday – Saturday.
 - We are distributing rapid self-tests curbside at the Health Department and are delivering to any organization that is in need.
 - Omicron variant BA2 is approximately 48% of all cases in Colorado and the new subtype, BA.2.12.1 is 47%. Hospitalizations are increasing, but stays are shorter and seem to be less severe than with the Delta variant.
- Our community assessment process is underway. More information was provided in the board packet in the program updates section. The Board will receive an invite for our first stakeholder meeting (two sessions to choose from via Zoom: June 8th at 11am or 4pm). Delta hospital is simultaneously conducting an assessment and it is important to participate in theirs as well; however, they will be asking different questions (Jackie Davis sent out invites to partners). We will be collaborating with them on the survey results.
- Our new nurse Deb Hornbacker is on board (4/27) and completing her training on maternal/child health. She is from Oregon and worked in the school district.
- We received approval for the workforce development funds of \$141,473 that we discussed at our last board of health meeting and at the May 3 County Commissioner meeting. We are working with Michelle to post the new Nurse Practitioner position.
- We are currently holding clinics at the schools to administer Tdap to 5th graders.
- Family Planning is preparing for their required medical/clinic audit. They also started training on our electronic health records software, CureMD.
- Karen stated that today there is an Environmental Health action on the agenda for the board to adopt the revised Onsite Wastewater Treatment System (OWTS) regulations that will go into effect on July 1, 2022 unless CDPHE finds any issues that are not in accordance with Regulation 43.
 - Commissioner Suppes voiced Commissioner Koontz's request to postpone adoption until next month.

3:50p Environmental Health Director's Report - Greg

- No Action taken on the resolution to adopt OWTS Regulations and Regulation 43 by reference. Commissioner Suppes elected to postpone this action to the June 21 Board of Health meeting in order to allow for additional stakeholder input from Commissioner Koontz.
- Update on mosquito surveillance and West Nile Virus (WNV):
 - Surveillance has been funded for 70 tests: June 6 - September 16, 2022.
 - Texas has already had a neuroinvasive case in Dallas (human).

- Greg met with the Cedaredge Trustees on May 5 to highlight WNV efforts in Delta County. At that meeting they were provided with information and questions were answered regarding strategies in other counties as well. Trustees voted to suspend adulticide efforts and form a working committee to look at addressing the surveillance issues and possible approaches to larvicide, public participation, and discussing efforts to form a control district.
- Greg also met with the Grand River Mosquito Control District (Mesa).
 - Carter Synhorst and Tim Moore discussed the evolution of their program and offered support to Delta communities interested in getting started. They were sympathetic to the scale of the issue in Delta and the lack of resources and are willing to help out if there are needs.
- Terry Stalcup & his new employee will be meeting with the health department to streamline the submission process. We are hoping to receive weekly updates from North Fork.

4:09pm Adjourn - The Board of Health meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Suppes.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Greg Rajnowski and Karen O'Brien.