



UTAH COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

151 SOUTH UNIVERSITY AVENUE
PROVO, UTAH 84601

MINUTES March 23, 2020

**Electronical Call in Meeting (all members called in)*

Members Present:			
Jeff Acerson, Chair	In person	Ryan Schooley	X
Dianne Carr, Vice-chair	X	Sam Jarman	X
Gaye Ray	X	Ann Anderson	X
Mark Donaldson	X	Bill Lee	X
Erin Faraclas	X		

Others present:

Ralph L. Clegg, EHS, MPA UCHD Executive Director
Julie Dey UCHD Secretary
Dr. David Flinders UCHD Physician

Number of people in attendance – 5

1. Welcome by Jeff Acerson
2. Approval of the minutes from January 27, 2020

MOTION: Dianne Carr made the motion to approve the minutes from January 27, 2020 which was seconded by Gaye Ray and passed by unanimous vote.

3. Introduction of new board members

Both Sam Jarman and Ann Anderson introduced themselves to the board members. Sam Jarman reported on Alpine School District and Ann Anderson reported on Nebo School district regarding the steps being taken in their school districts amid COVID-19.

4. Update on the Coronavirus, COVID-19

Ralph Clegg reported that currently in the state of Utah there are 181 confirmed cases of COVID-19 (as of 3/23/19); there have been 3,689 tests performed; and there has been one death. Most

of the COVID-19 cases are reported in Salt Lake County and Summit County. As far as Utah County goes, we have confirmed seven cases according to the Utah Department of Health.

Utah County's Public Health Order has been updated based on Governor Herbert's change of the state health department order. The order will be sent to cities in the county and is posted on our website. The updated order kept the food requirements pretty much the same with slight adjustments and moved most of the mass gathering information to 'recommended' rather than 'required.'

Ralph praised the health department staff as they work diligently together.

Dr. Mark Donaldson explained early potential remedies/cures that are being tested.

Dr. David Flinders explained early potential anti-viral studies that been generally negative and have not shown significant improvement.

5. Policy and Procedures Review

Ralph asked the board members if they had anything the health department needed to take into consideration after reviewing the policy and procedures. The health department would like to get them finalized and sent to the county commission for a final approval after the legal approval has been given. Once the attorney's office and the commission has approved them, the policy and procedures will come back to the board of health for the final approval.

If board members have recommendations, they should email them to Julie Dey.

6. New website demonstration

The demonstration has been postponed to the May 18th meeting. The health department's new website was able to provide information to the public about the Coronavirus within minutes. The previous website would have taken days. Our Public Information Officer, Aislynn Tolman-Hill, has done a great job about keeping information up to date on the new website along Carrie Bennett as well as others at the health department.

7. Discuss 2020 legislative outcomes and issues

S.B. 37	Electronic Cigarettes and other Nicotine Products Amendments	Passed. Will provide an excise tax which will provide funds to better enforce the cigarette laws. Funds will also be available to provide grants to community partners for education on electronic cigarettes.
H.B. 118	Retail Tobacco Specialty Business Amendments	Did not pass.

H.B. 58	Electronic Cigarettes in Schools Amendment	Passed. Gives the schools more authority to deal with e-cigarettes in the schools which is positive for our school districts as they try to help youth stay away from those types of products.
H.B. 23	Tobacco and Electronic Cigarettes Amendment	This amends the number of compliance checks the health department can do. This also puts in greater monetary violations for tobacco retailers who sell to youth. It institutes fully Tobacco 21 which puts Utah in compliance with federal law. This bill does a lot of good; however, it does create some grandfathering challenges. Some Utah County Health Department regulations may be changed or retired based on this bill and what the state has done.
H.B. 134	Raw Milk Products Amendments	We don't like to see raw milk products for sale due to the communicable disease outbreaks we see.
H.B. 232	Food Revision	This deals with agritourism business which waives a lot of the food service requirements for a home kitchen on a farm. These home kitchens can serve products they make on the farm. Some language was added that makes it a little less problematic in that things have to be sanitized. The state will need to adopt rules; and then we will come to the board with some follow up information to set some fees for inspections.

8. Informational items

- Lehi/Traverse Mountain air study. The study results have been delayed.

9. Training on the Utah Open Meeting Requirements

Ben Van Noy provided annual training for the Open Meeting Act.

10. Adopt an Amended Electronic Meeting Resolution

Ben Van Noy explained the amended Electronic Meeting Resolution. The previous resolution was uniform with all other board resolutions concerning electronic meetings that require one board

member to be physically present. The specific provision of one board member being physically present was suspended by the Governor of Utah. The Governor has the authority to suspend any statute such as this in a state of emergency. Given the technology that we have, the county attorney's office has recommended that all boards amend their electronic meeting rules to allow for all members to be participate electronically along with the opportunity for public participation. There is still an anchor location which is a rule. The anchor location for the Board of Health will be the county health department. If the public does want to come, then there is an actual physical location they can be present. We recommend that the board pass this resolution allowing for no board member to be physically present, but electronically if needs be.

MOTION: Gaye Ray made the motion to adopt the amended Electronic Meeting Resolution which was seconded by Sam Jarman and passed by unanimous vote.

11. Other Business:

- National Association of Local Boards of Health (NALBOH) annual conference is August 18-20, 2020 in Grand Rapids, MI. If any board members who would like to attend the conference, please let Julie know.


12. Employee Changes

Ralph explained to the board that a portion of the county Substance Abuse employees will be moved to Wasatch Mental Health. Wasatch Mental Health is in the business of treatment, and the hope is that this will allow for better coordination and reduced costs in some cases. Wasatch Mental Health will be renamed Wasatch Behavioral Services. The Prevention team (four members) from the county Substance Abuse program has joined the health department staff.

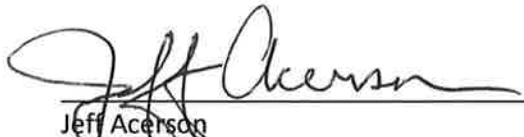
Other employee changes are routine.

Dianne Carr thanked the members of the health department in Utah county for the great effort in responding to the COVID-19 outbreak and other board members concurred.

MOTION: Gaye Ray made the motion to adjourn which was seconded by Mark Donaldson and passed with unanimous vote.



Ralph Clegg, EHS MPA
Director / Local Health Officer
Utah County Health Department



Jeff Acerson
Chair
Utah County Board of Health