

FREMONT COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
April 27, 2021

The Fremont County Board of Health Meeting for April was held on Tuesday, April 27, 2021 at 1:15 p.m. in the Fremont County Administration Building, 615 Macon Avenue, Room 207, Canon City, Colorado. The following Board members were in attendance:

Dwayne McFall – Commissioner
Kevin Grantham – Commissioner
Debbie Bell - Commissioner

Staff Present:

Brenda Jackson – County Attorney
Sunny Bryant – County Manager/Finance Director
Kayla Marler – Public Health Director
Amy Jamison - Environmental Health Officer
Debbie Ulrich – Legal Assistant/Minutes secretary
Wyatt Sanders – Building Department Director

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Meeting was called to Order by Commissioner McFall with Roll Call following at 1:15 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner McFall called for approval of the March 30, 2021 Minutes. Commissioner Bell made a Motion to approve the March 30, 2021 Minutes; Commissioner Grantham seconded the Motion. Call for vote; all Ayes, Minutes are approved.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner McFall called for any changes or additions to the Agenda. Kayla Marler would like to add a MOU between CHP and FCDPHE. Commissioner Grantham Made a Motion to approve the Agenda with the addition of the MOU between CHP and FCDPHE. Commissioner Bell seconded the Motion. Call for Vote; all Ayes. Agenda is approved.

CITIZENS NOT ON THE AGENDA – TIME TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

None

DIRECTORS REPORTS

Environmental Health Report

Mike Hadley was first on Amy’s agenda. He is asking for a Variance for a Septic System for 1691 Pine Street, Canon City. He addressed the Board of Health explaining that someone had bought property from him and is putting a home on it. If the owner connects to the City sewer line it will cost approximately \$27,950 and if they are allowed to put in a Septic System the cost would be \$7500, with a difference of \$20,000, so they are asking for a Variance to allow the Septic System. Wyatt Sanders from the Building Dept. explained that the property is

close to Poplar and Pine and the location of the home is at the back of the property. Wyatt went on to explain the 400 ft. guidelines. The Sanitation District wants the property owner to put in a line to the sewer main, which is quite a bit more than 400 ft. After further discussion; Commissioner Grantham made a Motion to approve a Variance for a Septic System at 1691 Pine Street, Canon City. Commissioner Bell seconded the Motion. Call for vote; all Ayes. Motion is passed.

License Renewals

Amy presented to the BOH Papa Murphy's request to have their licensing fees waived as the other restaurants in town have. The State has been reimbursing the County for licensing fees for restaurants. Discussion continued in regards to how Papa Murphy's is licensed now? Amy explained that as far as she could tell Papa Murphy's has been licensed as a grocery store/deli since 2013. Amy recommended to waive the licensing fees for Papa Murphy's. After further discussion Commissioner Bell made a Motion to waive the licensing fee of \$385 for Papa Murphy's. Commissioner Grantham seconded the Motion. Call for Vote; all Ayes. Motion is passed.

New Establishments

The new establishments in Fremont County are:

“All Good Things Coffee” moving into the Main building of the St. Thomas More hospital.

“Robinz N Da Hood” Ice cream truck will be operating again and offering Snow Cones

“Pig N Out Foods” Mobile trailer is back and relicensed.

There were two vendors that applied for temporary event licenses. They are “Two Sisters” and “Smith's Snack Shack”.

Complaints

There was a complaint regarding Best Western and bed bugs. Amy wasn't able to verify the complaint. Complainant sent in photos of bites, but Amy wasn't able to identify by bites alone. Amy checked room with manager and maintenance person. Didn't find any bed bugs and no other complaints have been reported.

Amy also received an angry voicemail complaining about the Cotopaxi Store and the spreading of COVID all over Cotopaxi. Amy returned her call three times but was unable to speak to her directly. She left a message but still no response.

There was a complaint against the Bean Pedaler, stating that they didn't have gloves on while preparing food and drinks. When complainant was asked for more information, they did not respond. Without further information it's hard to verify. Amy will discuss the situation on her next routine visit to the Bean Pedaler.

Complaint against Pizza Madness concerning dust/lint hanging from rafters in dining area. No food borne illnesses reported or health hazards associated with this. Issue will be discussed at next routine visit.

Amy received a complaint against Dominos about them not having water to wash dishes and clean properly. Amy checked into it and the water was already back on. Apparently, they experienced plumbing problems and had shut down while the issue was repaired. On Amy's visit she found that the flooring hadn't been finished and they had plywood and rugs to stand on. Amy was assured that the flooring would be completed after close that same day.

Commissioner Bell made a Motion to accept the Environmental Health Officer's report. Commissioner Grantham seconded the Motion. Call for Vote; all Ayes. Report is accepted.

Public Health Director

Kayla Marler, Public Health Director reported on the following areas.

Staffing

Kayla doesn't have any staffing additions or changes this month. For the month of April Kayla has included all of her staff as “Employee of the Month”. They have all been doing a great job.

Financials/Contracts.

Kayla reported that FCPHDE has received \$9,027 of \$36,108 from the State for Restaurant licensing fees.

Kayla presented the revised MOU for the Boys and Girls Club, and noted that the changes do not affect the County's obligation. Commissioner McFall noticed some different wording and financials. Kayla stated to the BOH that she hadn't seen any financial changes. The Boys and Girls Club will be providing a safe event for kids 12 to 18. Commissioner Grantham made a Motion to approve the revised MOU. Commissioner Bell seconded the Motion. Call for Vote; all Ayes. Motion is approved.

Kayla presented a contract amendment to the Substance Abuse Prevention Block 2021-2022. This is the S Block Grant, it goes from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022. FCDPHE will also continue to team up with Children's Hospital who will be providing a \$10 incentive for COVID vaccinations. Commissioner Grantham made a Motion to Approve the Amendment to the S Block Grant. Commissioner Bell seconded the Motion. Call for Vote; all Ayes. Motion is approved.

Coronavirus – COVID-19

FEMA will be doing pop up vaccine clinics. They are scheduled to go into Fremont County Detention Center on April 28th for the 1st vaccine and then return 21 days later for the 2nd dose. FCPHDE will help with this. There are several other clinics set up for 1st and 2nd vaccines. May 5th for 1st and then May 25th for 2nd dose. May 11th for 1st and then June 1st for 2nd dose.

Kayla informed the BOH that she has been speaking to the State about taking out the DOC numbers for our County COVID totals. Discussion continued regarding the local vaccination rate; which is at 50% of those that want to be vaccinated. Commissioner Bell suggested getting in touch with the local Churches to help get the word out. FCDPHE will be doing a local vaccine campaign by social media, on the air and through the School Districts. Commissioner Grantham asked "what does it matter"; regarding the vaccinations. County Attorney Jackson answered "it stops the spread". Kayla explained that 78% of our County population has to be vaccinated before we can get rid of Masks. Further discussion regarding numbers and incorrect numbers reported by the DOC.

Mako will be here until June 30th. St. Thomas More will stop administering vaccinations on May 7th. Kayla is hoping that St. Thomas More will do the COVID testing and FCPDHE will do the vaccinations.

New business for FCPDHE

Kayla wants to get a letter of Support from the BOH regarding HB21-1281 – Behavioral Health Disaster. This bill will help with Mental Health issues during this COVID pandemic. Commissioner Bell is in favor of this. Commissioner Bell made a Motion to provide a Letter of Support for HB21-1281 Behavioral Health Disaster. Commissioner Grantham seconded the Motion. Call for Vote; all Ayes. Motion is passed.

Commissioner Bell made a Motion to accept the Public Health Directors report. Commissioner Grantham seconded the Motion. Call for Vote; all Ayes. The Public Health report is accepted.

Old Business

None

Meeting is adjourned at 1:15

