

# **FREMONT COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING**

**April 28, 2020**

The Fremont County Board of Health Meeting for April was held on Tuesday, April 28, 2020 at 1:15 p.m. in LL3 of the Fremont County Administration Building, located at 615 Macon Avenue, Canon City, Colorado. The following Board members were in attendance:

Debbie Bell - Commissioner  
Dwayne McFall – Commissioner  
Tim Payne – Commissioner

## **Staff Present:**

Brenda Jackson – County Attorney  
Sunny Bryant – County Manager/Finance Director  
Emma Davis – Public Health Director  
Amy Jamison - Environmental Health Officer  
Debbie Ulrich – Legal Assistant/Minutes secretary

## **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Meeting was called to Order by Commissioner Bell with Roll Call following at 1:15p.m. All members of the Board are present.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Bell called for approval of the March, 2020 Minutes. Commissioner McFall made a Motion to approve the Minutes from the March meeting; Commissioner Payne seconded the Motion. Call for vote; all ayes. Minutes are approved.

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Commissioner Bell called for any changes or additions to the Agenda. Emma Davis, Public Health Director would like to add under Financials the Colorado Health Financial Act. Commissioner Payne made a Motion to approve the Agenda with the addition. Commissioner McFall 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**

Amy Jamison, Environmental Health Officer started her report by discussing the request for a one year Chemical Portable Toilet permit for Phantom Canyon R.V. They have everything in order for the permit. Commissioner McFall made a Motion to approve the Chemical Portable Toilet permit for Phantom Canyon R.V.; Commissioner Payne seconded the Motion. Call for vote; all Ayes. Permit is approved.

### Closures

Amy stated that the non-critical restaurants are operating with curbside and to-go orders only. Non-critical businesses will be opening on May 1, 2020 with safety measures in place such as social distancing, masks, and limited amount of people at one time. Amy asked the BOH if outside of Fremont County Food Trucks were still not being allowed to operate in our County. Commissioner Bell stated that No outside Food Trucks are allowed at this time. Only local food trucks can operate in Fremont County.

### New Establishments

Amy noted that because of the Stay at Home order being lifted on Friday, May 1st she may be able to start some of the pre-operational inspections with the Lost Cajun restaurant that will be opening on Justice Center Road.

Commissioner Payne made a Motion to Accept the Environmental Health report; Commissioner McFall seconded the Motion. Call for vote; all ayes. Report is accepted.

### Public Health Director

Emma Davis, Public Health Director commented on the outstanding job her staff is doing during the COVID 19 pandemic. She reported that there has been 22 positive cases at this time and 0 deaths. Emma then reported to the Fremont County Board of Health on the following topics.

#### Staffing

Emma stated that she has advertised for an Epidemiologist and has received one application. This applicant will be interviewed on April 29, 2020.

#### Financials

Emma is not sure what the budgets are going to look like. The CTC budget for 2021 was approved; but not sure on an amount. Colorado Health COVID19; we are getting monies that we didn't apply for.

#### Programs

Coronavirus – Emma stated that 124 businesses have turned in an application showing what COVID19 measures will be in place when they are allowed to open. This is something that they must do to reopen.

Mass testing will be done on Monday's and Wednesday's by appointment only without a doctor's note but the individual must be symptomatic. Discussion followed with tips of what we should be doing during the Safer at Home protocol. We should stay home, wear masks, don't travel out of County, no hosting of BBQ's or gatherings that could grow into crowds, limit travel to a 10 mile radius and limit in-person interactions. Emma noted that there is a Graduation plan in the works. If our numbers stay low we can apply for a waiver but we are not at that point yet. Emma showed a sample of a sign to be used in a Business with all of their requirements to shop/enter that establishment.

Emma shared with the Board of Health that Fremont County Department of Public Health was a recipient of the National Adult and Influenza Immunization Summit (NAIIS) "Immunization Neighborhood" Adult Immunization Champion Award. This award was given to only two Departments of Health nationally. It was given to FCDPH for their outstanding work done on Mass Flu Clinics in 2019. This included Child Clinics, Public Clinics and Travel Clinics. They gave 1270 Flu vaccinations. Emma stated that they are an awesome team for "everything" they do; not just the COVID 19 work. Commissioner Bell asked that Emma pass along the Board's "Thanks for all they do".

Commissioner McFall made a Motion to Accept the Public Health Director's report. Commissioner Payne seconded the Motion. Call for vote; all Ayes. Report is accepted.

Old Business None

New Business None

Meeting is adjourned.