

BOARD OF HEALTH

September 14, 2022

6:04 PM

The meeting was called to order via Zoom at 6:04 pm by Mr. Harris with the following members and staff present:

MEMBERS

Danny Stone-Commissioner	Stanley Fuhriman—Stakeholder
Cindy Carter-Commissioner	Katie Siebein—Healthcare alternate
Deanna Martinez – Representative for City Councils	Nokey Pando—Consumer of PH
Tom Harris – Representative for City Councils and Board Chairperson	

STAFF

Theresa Adkinson – Administrator	Anna Franz – H.D. Attorney
Rita Morfin – Board Clerk	Laina Mitchell – I & R Manager
Darcy Moss, Finance Services	Dr. Brzezny – Health Officer

ABSENT

Stephanie Shopbell – EH Manager	Maria Vargas – CPH Manager
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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA – A motion was made to approve the agenda (M/S Martinez/Stone – unanimous).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The minutes of the August 10, 2022 meeting were approved as written (M/S Martinez/Stone – unanimous).

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS—The August vouchers for the period ending September 13, 2022 totaling \$316,603.92 (#1 –#3 totaling \$211,776.58, #4 – #11 totaling \$16,470.71, #12 - #19 totaling \$1,689.85, #20 - #32 totaling \$61,057.44 and #33 - #53 totaling \$25,609.34 were approved (M/S Martinez/Pando – unanimous).

PUBLIC FORUM FOR CITIZEN’S COMMENTS AND APPLICATIONS –

None

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH – Theresa Adkinson on behalf of Stephanie Shopbell
WAC 246-215 Food Code Educational Period—Update to board; discussion held.

HealthSpace GovTech Online Payments—Update to board, discussion held.

Upcoming MLWC Public Meeting—Update to board. Theresa did let the board know that Stephanie will be presenting at their meeting next week regarding the state of our lake.

Other updates—EH Summary is available on SharePoint; no questions.

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HEALTHY COMMUNITIES (HC) REPORT – Theresa Adkinson on behalf of Maria Vargas

Community Updates/Events—International Overdose Awareness Day was August 31; staff from GCHD and partners presented at the courthouse. Video and pictures were sent to the board; discussion held.

New Positions Available—Alice McMartin has accepted our Health Educator III position and will be able to assist Maria in the Healthy Communities and Families Division.

Regional Traffic Safety Task Force—Target Zero program which focuses on reducing preventable injury has changed from being ran by Law Enforcement to now being with LHJ's. Update to board; discussion held.

INVESTIGATIONS AND RESPONSE (I&R) REPORT – Laina Mitchell

Program updates—Laina updated the board regarding the first case of Monkeypox in Grant County. GCHD is working with the patient and partners to ensure the recovery of the patient.

GCHD has received 20 vials of MPX vaccine for all of Grant County and are working with local healthcare agencies for distribution.

GCHD is seeing a steady decline in Covid-19 positive cases. Laina updated the board on the workload of the investigators.

GCHD has also seen an increase in Syphilis cases and are working with staff to revamp our STI work and prevention.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT -Theresa Adkinson

Financial & Funding Update—Report is on SharePoint; discussion held.

Board of Health Orientation—Theresa attended with six board members: great turnout and great information.

Resolution 22-03 Salary Matrix COLA—Theresa presented the resolution to the board; discussion held.

Motion made to approve Resolution 22-03 Salary Matrix COLA (M/S Martinez/Stone – unanimous).

Resolution 22-04 Retention Incentive—Theresa presented the resolution to the board; discussion held.

Motion made to approve Resolution 22-04 Retention Incentive with an amendment that if an employee leaves prior to January 1, 2023 then repayment of \$1,000 will be held from that employee's last paycheck (M/S Stone/Pando – unanimous).

Ordinance 22-03 Fee Schedule Change for UPS Fee—Theresa presented Ordinance 22-03; discussion held.

Motion was made to set Public Hearing for Ordinance 22-03 at October 12, 2022 BOH meeting (M/S Stone/Martinez – unanimous by elected officials).

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Other updates—Theresa let the board know that the Audit has been completed and the exit interview is scheduled for September 16, 2022. Theresa thanks Darcy and Nikkole for their hard work on getting the audit completed.

HEALTH OFFICER’S REPORT – Dr. Brzezny

Epi/Notifiable Conditions Update—PowerPoint presented to board; discussion held.

Covid-19 Update—Included in PowerPoint; discussion held.

Monkeypox Update— Included in PowerPoint; discussion held.

TB update—Included in PowerPoint; discussion held.

Influenza Season Preparedness—Included in PowerPoint; discussion held.

Other Updates—Included in PowerPoint.

OTHER BUSINESS—Discussion was held regarding Tribal Representative seat that remains open on the board.

Theresa notified the board that she may have federal jury duty beginning next week and will keep the board updated.

ADJOURNMENT—With no other business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m. (M/S Stone/Martinez - unanimous).

Tom Harris, Chairman Board of Health

ATTEST:

Rita Morfin, Board Clerk