

**Weber-Morgan Board of Health  
Minutes of Meeting  
September 28, 2020**

The Weber-Morgan Board of Health held its regular meeting on September 28, 2020 by conference/teleconference call in the Health Department auditorium at 477 23<sup>rd</sup> Street. The meeting is called to order at 4:02 p.m. with Neil Garner presiding.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

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| Neil Garner   | Frank Brown     | Ken Johnson   | Gage Froerer     |
| Donna Chapman | Jennifer Bodine | Tina Kelley   | Ali Martinez     |
| Leonard Call  | Jer Bates       | Roland Haslam | Cole Brinkerhoff |

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Kevin Eastman

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

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| Brian Bennion  | Brian Cowan    | Amy Carter    | MaryLou Adams |
| Michela Harris | Summer Day     | Zach Heuscher | Jarelyn Cox   |
| Lori Buttars   | Bryce Sherwood | Lori Greene   | Mandy Webb    |
| Skyler Pyle    | JoAnn Wengreen |               |               |

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

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| Chris Crockett | Jeremy Shinoda | Jennie Earl | Haylee Neel |
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Kevin Emerson

**Welcome and Introductions-Neil Garner**

Neil Garner calls the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m. and welcomes those in attendance. He reads the Authorization to Conduct an Electronic Meeting Without an Anchor Location document.

**Approval of Board of Health Minutes of August 31, 2020**

**Motion Passes**

A **MOTION** is made by **Ken Johnson** and **SECONDED** by **Jennifer Bodine** to approve the minutes as written. The **MOTION** passes unanimously.

**Graywater Program Proposal and Approval-Summer Day**

**Motion Passes**

**Summer Day** gives a PowerPoint presentation explaining the Graywater program and the requirements to run the program. She explains where graywater comes from and what it can be used for. Changes from the 2013 version to the 2020 version is what the calculations are based on (number of bedrooms to single fixtures), and adding a new system type called the branch drain system which is low cost and easy to construct which is used around trees and shrubs. Letters were sent out to building officials in both counties and all cities explaining changes and asking for comments and any concerns. An outline of fee structure and timeline are given. Questions are answered on the ability to retrofit old and existing systems. She asks for approval and support for this program. **Jennifer Bodine** says she is excited in moving this direction in order to use our water more wisely. A **MOTION** is made by **Ali Martinez** and **SECONDED** by **Cole Brinkerhoff** to move forward and approve the administration of the Graywater Program. The **MOTION** passes unanimously.

**COVID-19 Update-Amy Carter/Zach Heuscher****Information Only**

**Amy Carter** updates board members on statewide data. Utah has surpassed 71,000 cases with a seven-day rolling average of over 1,000. There have been 453 COVID-related deaths in Utah. The goal prior to school opening was to be below 400 and the state did meet that goal in early September, but has had increasing numbers since that time. Last week, the state had its highest daily case count of 1,400 cases in one day. Cases in Utah and Salt Lake Counties have contributed to a major portion of the state's recent spike, but Weber-Morgan has seen increasing numbers as well on a smaller scale. Weber-Morgan Health District has had 4,330 cases with 104 of those in Morgan County and 31 deaths all in Weber County. The Hispanic and Latino population continues to be at highest risk for infection, while our American Indian population is at highest risk for hospitalization. She says 60% of the cases have a known exposure which lets us know that continued contact tracing and education efforts are important tools to fight this pandemic. She outlines the metrics the state is recommending to be used in going from yellow phase to green. These metrics are not being met yet in either Weber or Morgan counties. She explains the metrics the state recommends to be used in going from yellow phase to green. These metrics are not being met yet in either Weber or Morgan counties. The health department is working with Utah Department of Health on plans for COVID vaccinations and how they will be rolled out in tiers of target populations as early as November 2020, with anticipation of broader population availability in late spring, early summer 2021. **Zach Heuscher** goes over school data for Weber-Morgan and the measures to consider when evaluating risk to schools. Currently there are 27 schools with 49 cases. Questions are answered about death classifications, test numbers, calculations, and how quickly school students are notified if they are a close contact.

**Budget 2020/Projected Budget 2021-Brian Cowan****Information Only**

**Brian Cowan** goes over the 2020 budget and the submitted 2021 budget. The health department has seen a savings this year as staff's time has shifted to COVID-19 response and has received both state and federal funding for COVID expenses. It is projected \$641,784 will be put into the health trust fund and anticipated that the health department will use \$300,000 of the \$1 million CARES Act funding received from the county. The Center of Excellence is included as it was part of the department's budget the first two quarters of 2020. A request of \$11,404,862 for 2021 has been submitted with a projected expense of \$11,727,128 which includes using \$322,266 of the trust fund. Meeting with Weber County Commission tomorrow to go over proposed 2020 and requested 2021 budgets. A meeting will be scheduled with the Board of Health Finance Committee in October. Any suggested adjustments will be addressed at the November Board meeting and submitted to the Commission before adopting the budget in December. A copy of the budget as outlined will be sent out to the board members for review.

**Utah Energy Wise Communities Project Update-  
Kevin Emerson**

**Information Only**

**Kevin Emerson**, Energy Efficiency Program Director of Utah Clean Energy, a non-profit organization, shares the goals of the organization with board members and explains the Ogden community is the first in the state to participate in this type of project. He explains the goal is to develop a community wide implementation plan to help improve both energy efficiency and resiliency across the community to help reduce community wide energy costs and consumption. He outlines one of the ten key strategies for achieving energy reduction for the residential sector showing strategies, implementers, action steps, and timelines. Reaching out to the community to educate and make them aware of programs and incentives that are available is one of the organization's goals. The plan is located on the Ogden City Council Sustainability website. You can access it at <https://www.ogdencity.com/1606/Energy-Wise-Ogden>. **Neil Garner** thanks Kevin for the work they are doing and expresses appreciation to board member Jennifer Bodine, Weber State University, and McKay-Dee Hospital on their efforts in energy conservation in our community.

**Director's Report-Brian Bennion**

**Information Only**

**Brian Bennion** informs board members of the annual drive-thru flu clinic to be held October 1 from 10 am - 2 pm here at the health department parking lot. School flu clinics start next week with 55 locations including elementary, charter, junior high schools, and the Weber School District Offices. Additional vaccines are offered as well. **Jarelyn Cox**, the new WIC Program Director, informs the Board that there are two weeks left of the eWIC pilot program before it rolls out statewide. Weber-Morgan Health Department was one of three sites to pilot the program and have one-third of their caseload transitioned at this point. The Annual Governing Youth Council Open House will be Thursday, October 8, at the health department. The format will be different this year with tables set outside and youth presenting different issues at each table. This is a great opportunity for these youth to interact with board members as well as elected officials.

**Chair's Report-Neil Garner**

**Information Only**

**Neil Garner** thanks Dr. Johnson for conducting last month's meeting and excuses Kevin Eastman. He encourages board members to attend the Governing Youth Council event and to get their flu shots. He thanks health department staff for their work and congratulates Jarelyn Cox on her new position as WIC Director. **Tina Kelley** asks for information to calculate rolling into the green phase.

**Public Comment**

**Jennie Earl** expresses concern about some of the resources on the Weber-Morgan website under Teen Health. She says some of the links are inappropriate for teens and questions what criteria organizations listed on the website are required to meet. **Neil Garner** asks her to send information for the Board to review and reminds her that schools are represented on the Board of Health and will work closely with the Teen Health Program Director on this issue.

The meeting adjourns at 5:29 p.m.