

TOOELE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

May 18, 2017

920 E. Wendover Blvd. Wendover, Utah

PRESENT:

Board: Kathy Taylor, Devan Clevenger, Mark Whitney, Mike Colson, Lynn Falkner, Colleen Johnson, Myron Bateman

Absent: Dennis Rockwell, David Rupp

Staff: Jeff Coombs, Bryan Slade, Ericka Jordt, Wayne Lyman, Matt LaFrance, Sherrie Ahlstrom, Amy Bate, Isela Bauer

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TOPIC	DISCUSSION/FINDINGS	RECOMMENDATIONS/ ACTIONS
<p>Welcome- Information Item <i>Kathy Taylor</i></p> <p>Approve Minutes- Action Item <i>Kathy Taylor</i></p>	<p>Kathy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed everyone.</p> <p>Kathy entertained a motion to approve the March 21, 2017 minutes.</p>	<p>Mark Whitney made a motion to approve the March 21, 2017 minutes, Myron Bateman seconded, all were in favor, and the motion passed.</p>
<p>Health Officer's Report- New Employee Introduction- Opioid Morbidity Mortality Report- <i>Jeff Coombs</i></p>	<p>Jeff turned the time over to Sherrie Ahlstrom for the introduction of new employee, Isela Bauer. Isela is a Registered Nurse working in the Wendover WIC Clinic. Isela has worked for the health department since December 2016. Isela will graduate this weekend with a BSN degree. The group welcomed Isela.</p> <p>Jeff provided the group with a copy of the Opioid Misuse and Abuse Needs Assessment from the Utah Dept. of Human Services Substance Abuse and Mental Health. The report reflected results on Opioid Mortality and Morbidity Data for Tooele County. The report ranks Tooele County as highest in the state for deaths related to opioid misuse and abuse and ranks Utah as the 4th highest in the nation for years 2014-2015. Tooele County ranks as third highest in the state for emergency room visits. Opioids include both illicit drugs and prescription drugs. The health department received a grant for the distribution and administration of Naloxone which can reverse an opioid overdose. Jeff noted that the data indicates that all genders, ages, race and economic status are being affected. Jeff noted measures have been taken to limit</p>	

	<p>how people have access to opioids. Lynn Falkner noted that new rules are being made that require a patient that is being prescribed a certain amount of morphine equal to a certain number of opioids to also be provided with Narcan. Monthly checks of DOPL and urine screenings are also being required. He also noted that patients are being required to be referred to a specialist for pain management instead as opposed to only seeing a primary care provider for pain. The group expressed concern that if they are unable to get opioids prescribed to them by a physician they may turn to other means to get illicit opioids which may result in additional harm due to not knowing what they are made of and the dosage. Amy noted that medical examiners are starting to code on death certificates that the cause of death is opioid overdose rather than just combining it with other poisonings by the general term of poisoning fatality. The data is improving which will help identify the significance of this issue. Mike Colson asked if there are numbers to indicate the percentage of deaths due to legally prescribed vs. illicit opioids? Wayne Lyman noted that there is no trackable data due to the testing cannot decipher between the two and there is no way to determine if they were taking legally prescribed opioids that actually belonged to someone else. Jeff noted that the distribution of Naloxone is increasing. Amy Bate noted that since the health dept. has started distributing Narcan she was notified that 2 people were successfully reversed from overdosing. The group shared reasons why they felt Tooele County ranks so high. Jeff noted that this topic is one of the priorities from the Community Health Assessment. The health dept. will be working closely with physicians, medical community and Valley Behavioral Health to address this issue. Mark feels the more outreach that can be done, including discussing in religious meetings the more successful we will be in getting a handle on this problem.</p>	
<p>Financial Report- <i>Jeff Coombs</i> Information Item</p>	<p>Jeff handed out a financial report showing figures through the end of April 2017 which represents 33% of the budget year. Jeff noted that we are slightly over budget for revenue collection and slightly below on expenditures. In June, we will begin to put together next year's budget. We are tracking 3-5 years ahead to project for budget and revenue changes with the change of the Presidential Administration and the upcoming changes to the Affordable Care Act. Before the Affordable Care Act many of the public health preventative programs grant funding came from funding provided by the CDC. When the Affordable Care Act was passed a lot of funding was rolled into the ACA and away from the CDC and Health & Human Services. A concern is that this could be an area where in the future funding could be cut. Programs that could be affected with the replacement of the ACA include immunizations programs. This is not definitive yet but we are keeping it on our radar. Current</p>	

	<p>level of funding through 2019 should be fine, Jeff will communicate future changes with this board.</p> <p>Kathy commended staff for doing a good job managing budgets, contracts, grants and expenditures. Jeff commended his management staff and noted that they meet weekly to review the financial status report.</p>	
<p>Aging Services Update- <i>Sherrie Ahlstrom</i> Information Item</p>	<p>Sherrie reviewed the Area Agency On Aging 2018 Plan with the group. Sherrie reviewed some of the areas we are taxed with in Aging Services and what must be reported to the state and federal government every year. The plan must be approved and signed by the Council On Aging and the County Commissioners and then submitted each year in June. The goals are set by the federal government and the Older Americans Act, we are required to list what we are doing to meet those goals. Some highlights from the report include:</p> <p>Our continuously growing transportation program provided over 6800 one way trips last year</p> <p>Beginning in July 1, 2017 we will take over a piece of the transportation program that was previously contracted out. The scheduling staff and new software can accommodate additional daily living types of rides at a lower cost to us than contracting it out. Tooele County has become a model for the state for integrating our programs with UTA and UDOT to maximize available grant dollars. Sherrie commended staff member Cissy Morton and her staff for their work on making this program a success. Over 18,000 congregate meals were provided at the senior centers and over 21,000 home delivered meals were provided to homebound seniors. There has been an increase in the number of seniors living in rural areas of the county needing meals. Funding is limited but requests continue to increase. There are 90+ volunteers assisting with aging services programs. Sherrie has applied for a RSVP grant that will provide funding for a Volunteer Coordinator that would help with managing all the volunteers. Sherrie noted that within the next couple of years we will be looking at how to deal with dementia and Alzheimer's disease and what role the health department will play in this area. The Legislature is looking at ways to start funding falls prevention programs in our state; the state health department already has some programs for this. Sherrie also shared an update with the WIC Program in Wendover. For years, the Tooele County WIC Program has served clients on both the Utah and Nevada side. Nevada</p>	

	<p>has provided WIC services for the Goshute Tribe in Ibapah residents but not the Wendover residents as much. The number of clients we serve have continuously dropped and are now at the lowest they have ever been. After looking in to this we have found that Nevada has started serving clients on the Nevada side here in Wendover. Nevada's program offers an EBT credit card type of system versus our paper vouchers and they also offer a more enticing food package. Amy Bate and Kendra Muir- WIC Coordinator have created a new flyer that will be put in with the water bill for Wendover residents explaining our program. Jeff reiterated that we will serve Nevada clients but Nevada will not serve Utah clients. Kathy commended Sherrie for a job well done. Kathy noted she has had several people express their appreciation for the Social Security kiosk at the Tooele Senior Center. Devan asked what other services are provided to Wendover senior citizens besides the monthly dinner? Sherrie advised there have been several presentations and the SHIP (Senior Health Insurance Program) counselors have attended to assist anyone in need but the attendance at these dinners has not been consistent. Sherrie confirmed that so far there have not been any requests from Wendover residents for meal delivery service but she is looking in to options should that arise. Devan asked about senior transportation and Sherrie noted that Lucia has transported several Wendover seniors for medical type rides. The group discussed the importance of our leaders to include the senior population in future planning for our communities in areas such as safe sidewalks, transportation and care facilities.</p>	
<p>Environmental Health Update- Food Truck Rule Update-<i>Bryan Slade</i> Information Item</p> <p>Adoption of Mobile Food Vendor Permit Fee-<i>Bryan Slade</i></p>	<p>Bryan explained that the legislature passed a bill this year to streamline the process for permitting food trucks. A Food Safety Subcommittee was formed to create a new rule and fees. Bryan handed out a copy of the document created by the subcommittee. Each health department from the state participated in creating the permit criteria, requirements and fees. Bryan explained that going forward food trucks will be required to obtain a primary permit from the health department in which they operate their main business from, this will include a plan review, a permitted commissary and inspections. Once a primary permit is obtained the food truck will then need to obtain a secondary permit from all other counties they want to do business in. Primary permit fees will be charged based on a tier basis with a Tier One (lower risk) costing \$200 and a Tier Two (Higher Risk) costing \$350. Secondary permit fees will be charged a flat fee of \$100. These fees are statewide and each health department</p>	<p>Mike Colson motioned to approve the food truck rule and fees as written, Lynn Falkner seconded the motion, all were in favor and motion passed.</p>

<p>Action Item</p>	<p>in the state has agreed to charge the same fees. After obtaining a secondary permit, food trucks are required to notify the health department the dates and locations that they will be operating. The health department that issued the secondary permit will then complete inspections. If a food trucks primary permit is suspended for any reason, all other permits issued by all other health departments will be rendered invalid until the suspended permit is reinstated. The food truck operator will need to pay a follow-up inspection fee of \$100 to reinstate a suspended permit. Bryan advised the group that this rule does not affect food booths such as those set up under a canopy with a table at the county fair or arts festival, they are still required to obtain a daily operating permit. Bryan clarified that food trucks are on wheels and mobile, also trailers with all operations being contained solely inside being pulled by a truck are considered food trucks.</p>	
<p>Proposed Language for Reg.# 12 Wastewater Disposal- <i>Bryan Slade</i> Action Item</p>	<p>At the last couple of board meetings there has been discussion on the issues with the groundwater in Tooele Valley. To curb the number of conventional septic systems continuing to be installed in the valley we have proposed new language to be installed in Regulation #12 Wastewater Disposal, specifically adding section 3.2 that states: For new subdivisions in the Tooele Valley proposing to use conventional septic systems for wastewater disposal, all lots within the proposed subdivision must be a minimum of 5 acres in size.</p> <p>The results that came from the groundwater study completed by Hansen, Allen & Luce recommended that to prevent further degradation to our groundwater, we prohibit conventional septic systems from being installed on lots that are smaller than five acres in size. This prohibition applies to newly proposed subdivisions in the Tooele Valley. Mike Colson asked what area is included in the Tooele Valley? Bryan clarified that all areas between the Stansbury Mountain range and Oquirrh Mountain range (east and west) and South Mountain and the Great Salt Lake (north and south) is considered Tooele Valley. Mark Whitney suggested including a map with the feasibility application so developers will be able to identify if their proposed subdivision falls within the Tooele Valley. Kathy Taylor suggested sending a copy of the map to those areas affected such as the mayors of Grantsville, Stansbury, Tooele etc. Jeff reminded the group that this restriction was adopted as policy at the last board meeting March 21, 2017. The next step to implementing the proposed language in to the rule is for the board to approve the proposed language and approve presenting the rule for public hearing and a thirty-day public comment period. Jeff noted that he has put together a presentation that has been shown to the County Commissioner's, County Planning & Zoning and Stansbury Park Improvement District. Jeff</p>	<p>Lynn Falkner motioned to approve proposed language changes to Reg. #12 Wastewater disposal and to send changes to public comment and hearing, Mike Colson seconded the motion, all were in favor and motion passed. Myron Bateman motioned to appoint Bryan Slade as the hearing officer and for all board members to attend the public hearing, Devan Clevenger seconded, all were in favor and motion passed.</p>

	<p>is willing to present to any entity that would like to see it. Lake Point Service District has requested to see the presentation. This restriction does not affect previously approved subdivisions of 4 lots or less and any existing lots. Jeff encouraged the board members to attend the public hearing since the board votes on approving the regulations. Ericka will send out a notification to all board members once the date has been set. Myron shared that he has been working with Stansbury Improvement District to get sewer lines extended and he has been working with developers to tie in to the existing lines. Mark Whitney noted that he was able to get grant money to assist low income residents to pay to connect to the sewer system in Stockton.</p>	
<p>Annual Report, Community Health Improvement Plan Update- <i>Matt LaFrance</i> Information Item</p>	<p>Matt noted that a Community Health Improvement Planning meeting was held last week with various partners throughout the county. The purpose of the meeting was to prioritize the greatest health challenges facing Tooele County residents. Matt shared a handout that listed the top 3 health priorities that were identified by our community partners. Findings from the 2016 Community Health Assessment were shared with the group. The group went through 3 rounds of voting before selecting the top 3 priorities which are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders 2. Physical Fitness/Obesity/Healthy Living 3. Suicide <p>The state health department went through the same process and their top 3 health priorities were almost identical to ours. Workgroups were formed to address each of these priorities. This will be a 5-year community plan with a report showing concrete goals and objectives to address these priority areas by the end of the year. The workgroups will develop the plans, goals and objectives.</p> <p>Matt presented the Tooele County Health Department 2016 Annual Report. The report highlights activities and programs that staff have been working on. Matt shared several highlights and statistics from the report. One item mentioned was the efforts made on behalf of the Live Fit Coalition to increase walkable areas in the county. Jeff noted that we had a study done on how to create a multiuse pathway for bikes and pedestrians from Tooele City to Lake Point. The county will be asked to adopt and implement this plan in to their general plan and transportation plan for future development. The plan is viewable on the</p>	

	<p>tooelehealth.org website. Jeff shared with the group that only 16 percent of our revenue comes from local taxes, contracts, grants and fees we collect for services make up the remainder of our funding. Jeff commended Matt and staff for doing a great job with the report which is an annual requirement to meet the minimum performance standards.</p>	
<p>Board Members Comments/ Concerns</p>	<p>Myron announced that Randy Dow with Valley Behavioral Health will be leaving. Myron asked the group to educate the public that the county and state can pass regulations but the BOH is an individual board that must pass rules and regulations to protect public health. Health Department regulations supersede county regulations. Myron will ask the county attorney to explain to the Building & Zoning department that health department regulations apply to both Tooele City and Tooele County. The group commended health department staff for doing a great job.</p>	
<p>Adjourn</p>	<p>Chair, Kathy Taylor, adjourned the meeting at 8:40 pm. The next meeting will be held on July 18, 2017 in Tooele.</p>	

Attachments: Financial Report, Opioid Morbidity Mortality Report, 2016 Annual Report, Community Health Improvement Plan, Regulation #12 Wastewater Disposal, Food Truck Rule, Area Agency on Aging 2016-2019 Plan,