

**TOOELE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING**  
**January 28, 2014**

**PRESENT:**

Board: Kathy Taylor, Angelo Maratta, Dennis Rockwell, Mayor Mark Whitney, Commissioner Jerry Hurst, Lynn Falkner

Staff: Myron Bateman, Jeff Coombs, Sherrie Ahlstrom, Bucky Whitehouse, Matt LaFrance, Linda Reid

Excused: Cheryl Prawl, Lamar Melville, Tom Tripp

Guests: Emma Penrod with the Transcript Bulletin

TOPIC	DISCUSSION/FINDINGS	RECOMMENDATIONS/ACTIONS
Welcome	Kathy Taylor called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Kathy welcomed everyone to the meeting. She thanked Emma Penrod from the Transcript Bulletin for attending.	Dennis made a motion to approve the November 19, 2013 minutes. Jerry seconded. All concurred and the motion passed.
Installation of Board of Health Members	Kathy Taylor, Chair, swore in Angelo Maratta, representing the minority population in Tooele County; Lynn Falkner PA-C, representing Health Care Professionals; and Dennis Rockwell, representing Tooele County youth.	Angelo Maratta, Lynn Falkner PA-C and Dennis Rockwell took the Oath of Office as members of the Tooele County Board of Health.
Selection of Board of Health Chair and Vice Chair	Kathy opened the floor to nominations for Board of Health Chair. Angelo nominated Kathy Taylor. No other nominations were received so Mark made a motion to close the nominations and Jerry seconded. A vote was taken which was unanimous and Kathy Taylor will continue as Chair. Kathy opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chair. Jerry nominated Angelo, Angelo nominated Cheryl. Dennis made a motion to close the nominations and Mark seconded. A vote was taken and it was unanimous for Angelo to be Vice Chair.	Kathy Taylor was selected as Board of Health Chair and Angelo Maratta was selected as Board of Health Vice Chair.
Employee Introduced <i>Jeff Coombs</i>	Amy Bate was re-introduced as she has been promoted as the Health Promotion Coordinator. She has worked at TCHD for 1 ½ years now.	
Legislative Update <i>Myron Bateman</i>	Myron updated the Board on a couple of the Legislature bills. Several bills are centered around air pollution. There is a bill that will raise the minimum age from 18 to 21 for buying tobacco. Statistics show that people 18-20 years of age usually supply younger people with tobacco. Studies indicate that if youth do not try smoking by age 21, 90%+ probability they will never smoke. There is also a bill regarding radon testing for homes being sold.	

	<p>Kathy informed the Board Members to contact our representatives. The Board of Health members carry a lot of weight for their votes. When sending an e-mail to them, write how you'd like them to vote on a bill in the subject line; i.e., "vote no on bill #000", then you can explain why in the body of the e-mail. This will make it easier for them.</p>	
<p>Budget Issues <i>Myron Bateman</i></p>	<p>Our budget was approved by the County Commissioners as presented for 2014. However, this year we will have to use \$595,000 out of the reserve to balance the Health Department budget. Twelve years ago we started with a goal to build a 25 % reserve fund. Four years ago we achieved this goal which was the maximum amount \$1,000,000. Any money above the \$1,000,000 would roll over to the County General Fund, which we did in 2010, 2011 and 2012. We need to make sure fund balance is protected to keep the health department financially secure.</p> <p>We have found that we can lose money from grants if not spent during the year we receive them.</p>	
<p>Family &amp; School Nursing Update <i>Sherrie Ahlstrom</i></p>	<p>The nursing department is implementing a new electronic medical record system mandated by federal law. We will stay with CDC but they are revamping their system. We need to have this up and running in six months. This is for compliance with the new federal requirements. It all has to be done by 2015. New billing codes have to be implemented by October of this year.</p> <p>We've received a \$10,000 grant for HPV vaccine. Education for parents, families and schools regarding this vaccine will be the main focus.</p> <p>There have been 5 cases of people hospitalized with the flu this season. We are still giving flu shots.</p> <p>The roof on the Tooele Senior Center is complete.</p>	
<p>Annual Report <i>Matt LaFrance</i></p>	<p>In past years we have reported numbers of services given. This year we will have a Power Point presentation giving information on the Ten Essential Health Services of Public Health. This will be published on the main website page on <a href="http://tooelehealth.org">tooelehealth.org</a>. Matt LaFrance showed this presentation.</p> <p>Myron and Jeff will be attending the city councils over the next few months to update them on the Health Department. Kathy suggested they invite the</p>	

	Board of Health member representing that area to attend with them.	
Food Service Inspections On-Line for Public Access <i>Jeff Coombs</i>	<p>Jeff gave an overview of the CDC reports that we have on food service inspections. We could put this report on-line for the public to see as the reports are open to the public already. Many counties are already doing this and it has been a positive thing. Food services that have violations are more apt to correct them when they know the public is watching so they won't lose their business. It will take staff time to keep these updated.</p> <p>We could start with the basic report and then move on to a comprehensive report that has a one-time cost of \$4,500 associated with it. TCHD does have the money for this expense when needed. We think this would be a good investment after seeing the results of other counties.</p>	Mark made a motion to post food service inspections on-line using the basic DCD reports, Angelo seconded. All concurred and the motion passed.
Environmental Health Fees Review <i>Jeff Coombs</i>	<p>TCHD is proposing to increase EH fees. Letters will be sent out regarding this change and it will go into effect March 1, 2014. Compared to the counties around us, we are lower in almost all areas of our fees.</p> <p><i>Please see the attached fee proposal for new fee adjustments.</i></p>	Jerry made a motion to increase Environmental Health fees as of March 1, 2014, Mark seconded. All concurred and the motion passed.
Emergency Management Update <i>Bucky Whitehouse</i>	<p>Emergency Management is going well. Winter has been good to our equipment so far.</p> <p>LEPC –Rocky Mountain Power is coming to give an update on power lines and study on future needs.</p> <p>HazMat training has been good and we have 12 new technicians.</p> <p>We are still looking into hazmat permits in the County for businesses and commercial only. There would be a fee attached to the permitting. We are receiving good input and response to move forward with this. Bucky will get a packet out with more information about the permits.</p>	
UALBOH Update <i>Kathy Taylor</i>	There is a new President for NALBOH. There has been some conflict as to where it should be headquartered. CDC has offered to give back the \$500,000 grant if they can get up and going soon.	
UPCOMING EVENTS	Mark your calendars for July 9, in Atlanta for the NACCHO Annual Conference, and September 14-15, the UALBOH Symposium at the Summit Lodge. Your room, mileage, registration fees & some meals will be paid for you or reimbursed.	

Board Members Comments/Concerns	<p>-Kathy is happy with the new website. It is user friendly and the air quality index is great for teachers knowing if they should keep students inside.</p> <p>-Dennis appreciates all that is done in the health department.</p> <p>-Mark thanked the TCHD staff and wants them to know what a good job of fiscal budgeting they have done. They are setting a standard for the County and Jerry agreed.</p> <p>-Lynn is honored to be a member of the Board.</p>	
Next Meeting	Tuesday, March 18, 2014, 7:00 p.m. at TCHD in room 280.	
Adjourn	Kathy declared the meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.	

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ATTACHMENTS:     Annual Report 2013  
                           Food Service Program Fees  
                           Internet Posting of Restaurant Inspections