

**LEWIS AND CLARK CITY-COUNTY
BOARD OF HEALTH – MINUTES
1930 9th AVE, HELENA, MONTANA 59601
Zoom Meeting, 1:00 p.m.
June 23, 2022**

Members Present

Commissioner Jim McCormick
Mayor Wilmot Collins
Mayor Kelly Harris
Lisa Kaufman
Katherine Weber

Staff Present

Drenda Niemann
Jolene Helgerson
Beth Norberg
Sarah Sandau
Melissa Baker
Taylore Dinsdale

Members Absent

Justin Murgel, chair
Dr. Mikael Bedell, vice chair
Brie MacLaurin
Rex Weltz

Guests Present

Deputy County Attorney Charles Lane
Representative Mary Ann Dunwell

Lisa Kaufman, acting chairwoman, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. A quorum was not established.

REVIEW OF AGENDA

No changes were made. No public comment was given.

MINUTES

Ms. Kaufman asked if there were any corrections or additions to the May 26, 2022, minutes. There being none, the Board approved the minutes as written. No public comment was given.

A quorum was established at 1:04 p.m.

Board members took a moment of silence in honor of former Commissioner Fever.

ACTION ITEMS

Variance Request, Nicholas and Jean Frank, 3789 Churchill Lane, Helena, MT: Ms. Kaufman, Hearing Officer, read the hearing officer recommendation of the Frank variance hearing held on June 21, 2022. Ms. Kaufman recommended denial of the variance. Mayor Wilmot Collins moved to ratify the hearing officer recommendation for denial. Mayor Kelly Harris seconded the motion. No public comment was given. The motion carried 4-1.

Board of Health Appointments for Fiscal Year 2023: Drenda Niemann, Health Officer, enumerated the board positions that needed to be filled for FY2023. Commissioner Jim McCormick asked board members to consider tabling board member appointments when the board meets again in July. Mayor Harris made a motion to table agenda item 4 until the July 28 board meeting. Mr. McCormick second the motion. No public comment was given. The motion carried 5-0.

BOARD MEMBER DISCUSSION

Chronic Disease Update: Sarah Sandau, Chronic Disease Supervisor, Melissa Baker, Breast and Cervical Health Educator, and Taylore Dinsdale Tobacco Use Prevention Educator, provided a program update (on pages 15-22 of the board packet) in which they highlighted history, priorities, and explanation of the programs.

COVID-19 Update: Ms. Niemann highlighted the decision making dashboard and the COVID-19 HUB map of current numbers of confirmed, active, break through and recovered cases, weekly new case incidences, weekly case incidences, test positivity rates, wastewater surveillance testing, and vaccine rates for the county.

Interlocal Agreement Update: Ms. Niemann announced that Interlocal Agreement negotiations are complete. The local governing body will consist of 2 County Commissioners, 2 Helena City Commissioners, and the Mayor of East Helena. The signed Interlocal Agreement is available online in the board member orientation packet. The next step will be to write standard operating procedures for the new governing body.

No public comment was given

PUBLIC COMMENT

Representative Mary Ann Dunwell shared her thoughts on the passing of former Commissioner Fever.

The meeting adjourned at 1:52 p.m.

Lisa Kaufman, Acting Chair

Drenda Niemann, Secretary