

LARIMER COUNTY | HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

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BOARD OF HEALTH

Jennifer Lee, President
Bernard Birnbaum, MD
Janna West Kowalski, MS
Teri Olson, RN, MSN
Brian DelGrosso

Mission:

Working to provide everyone in Larimer County the opportunity for a healthy life.

Vision:

Larimer county is a thriving, health-aware community where everyone has access to healthy choices and a healthy environment.

LARIMER COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH – June 9th, 2020

The Larimer County Board of Health (BoH) convened their regular meeting at 6:00p.m. virtually through Zoom due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Members Present:

Jennifer Lee
Dr. Bernard Birnbaum
Brian DelGrosso
Janna West Kowalski
Teri Olson

Executive Secretary: Tom Gonzales

County Staff: Andrea Clement-Johnson, Kelli Curl, Phillip Daniel, Kelsey Lyon, Chris Manley, Katie O'Donnell, Laura Walker, Christopher Urbina, Kori Wilford, Shaun May, Avie Strand, John Voss, Frank Haug

Call to Order - Jennifer Lee, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Spanish Language Interpreter Instructions - Ally Eden provided instructions on the Spanish language simulcast.

Public Comment - No comments

Approval of May 29th Minutes

Action - Brian DelGrosso moved to approve. Janna West Kowalski seconded the motion.

Motion was unanimously approved.

UPDATES

Finance Update - John Voss, Accounting Manager, provided the April financial report.

COVID-19 Update - Tom Gonzales, Public Health Director, provided an update on Early Warning Indicators.

Chris Manley, Health Services Branch Director, and Dr. Chris Urbina, COVID-19 Medical Director, provided updates on contact tracing and testing.



Kelsey Lyon, Outbreak Team Lead, provided updates on current outbreaks in Larimer County. Katie O'Donnell, Office of Communications, provided an update on the COVID-19 Dashboard and updated guidance from the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.

Director's Update - Avie Strand, Health Services Director, provided an update on clinical services.

Shaun May, Environmental Health Director, provided an update on Environmental Health's plan to resume field work.

Andrea Clement-Johnson, Interim Deputy Public Health Director, provided an update on Healthy Communities program and its cessation of funding.

Avie Strand and Tom Gonzales jointly announced Avie's retirement after 50 years of service.

Tom Gonzales announced that Medical Director, Dr. Chris Nevin-Woods, is planning to retire in early September and the subsequent Medical Director job posting.

NEW BUSINESS

Jennifer Lee asked for the Board's feedback regarding the July 16th meeting and whether the Board believed they wanted a virtual meeting or an in-person meeting. Following discussion, it was decided to keep both options open until early July and once COVID-19 early warning indicator data is reviewed. A decision will be made by July 3, 2020.

RESOLUTION AFFIRMING PUBLIC HEALTH'S COMMITMENT TO HEALTH EQUITY AND RACIAL JUSTICE

Action - Jennifer Lee made a motion to approve the Resolution Affirming Public Health's Commitment to Health Equity and Racial Justice. Dr. Bernard Birnbaum seconded the motion.
Motion was unanimously approved.

Board of Health Letter to the Community

Action - Teri Olson motioned to approve the letter to the community thanking them for their hard work in suppressing COVID-19. Jennifer Lee seconded the motion.
Motion was unanimously approved.

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.