

**Sweetwater County District Board of Health**  
March 26, 2014

Present:

Board members:

Mark Sanders Chairperson - Absent	Brianne Crofts
Craig Wolfing, Vice Chairperson - Absent	Cathie Hughes - Absent
Chuck Sykes	Donald West
David Okano	

Board of Health Director: Grant Christensen

Board Attorney:

County Health Officer - Absent Dr. Jean Stachon

Commissioner Reid West

Nursing Staff/Environmental Health Staff

Guest – Nell Johnson

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Meeting opened by Chuck, Secretary of the board due to the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson being absent at 7:15 AM.

Motion to approve agenda was made by Dr. West, seconded by Dr. Crofts. Motion carried.

Motion to approve February minutes was made Dr. Okano, seconded by Dr. Crofts. Motion carried.

Motion to approve March vouchers was made by Dr. West, seconded by Dr. Okano. Motion carried.

Grant reported to the board he is working on the preliminary budget and it will be finalized March 31, 2014. The budget will be similar to last year's budget. If the County gives a cost of living raise to County employees, Grant will present a different budget to reflect the increase and present it to the board. The budget is due to the County April 25, 2014.

Election of officers was on the February agenda. The board decided to wait for the March meeting to see if they would have all board members present. The board agreed to open the floor for nominations without a full board present. Dr. Okano was nominated for chairperson. He declined saying that he would like to get more familiar with this board since he has only been on the board for a few months. Dr. West nominated Chuck to be chairperson. Chuck accepted. Motion to approve Chuck as chairperson was made by Dr. West, seconded by Dr. Okano. Motion carried. Brianne was nominated for vice chairperson by Dr. West. Brianne accepted. Motion to approve Brianne as vice chairperson was made by Dr. West, seconded by Dr. Okano. Dr. West was nominated by Chuck to be secretary of the board. Dr. West accepted. Motion to

approve Dr. West as secretary of the board was made by Chuck, seconded by Brianne. Motion carried.

Dr. Stachon, CHO reported on her monthly report. She said School District #1 superintendent is having second thoughts in participating in the Life R U Ready program. She announced the county health rankings were going to be released 3/26/14.

Environmental Health reported on their monthly report. Paul reported the motel swimming pool that was shut down because of mold issues is up and running now. He said septic applications are picking up. Paul and Sara are now certified to do swimming pool inspections.

Director reported on the legislative bill F0064. The bill passed without amendment. Hastert and Craft worked hard to get the bill amended. Sweetwater and Natrona County will receive \$500,000 over a biennium period which would be \$125,000/year per county. Grant said that the legislature will revisit the bill in two years. Grant is confident that when we revisit the bill in two years that we will be fully funded from the State with the MCH program increase. Performance will be based on Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the State. We will have to negotiate and sign a MOU with the State. Grant passed out a draft from the State to identify and describe services and responsibilities as part of the MOU.

Grant reported that he attended a meeting with the Public Health preparedness with five other counties. They talked about collaboration in emergency management situations and what a challenge it would be to borrow assets from other counties. The County Coalition is working on these issues.

Grant reported that the employees attended a radiological table top exercise March 11, 2014. Karla with emergency preparedness program directed the table top. Others that attended were from Emergency Management, the Sheriff's department, the Fire Department and the Rock Springs police station.

Grant met with the Uinta public health manager to see how their office operates and what kind of programs they have in place for adult health programs.

Grant announced we had a surprise Medicare/Medicaid audit. The auditors were here for three days. Jean worked on a plan of correction. He stated the need to have an advisory board meeting to update policy and procedures. He asked Brianne if she would consider meeting with himself and Jean to review policies. The auditors will be back to make sure the agency has corrected all of the deficiencies.

Reid commented on the new Health and Human Services building progress. He stated that the inside of the building is finished. The workers are starting on the top floor now. They removed the elevator. The outside of the building is going to get a polishing. The building will look new inside and out. He said it makes a big difference. Grant said he

would put a presentation together for the board to see what the new building will look like. Reid stated the City Planning and Zoning voted against closing B Street. He said there is a 50/50% chance on them shutting down that street. Reid said the building should be move-in ready tentatively December 3, 2014.

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Brianne, seconded by Dr. West. Motion carried.

Next DBOH meeting will be April 30, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

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