

**MINUTES  
OF THE  
BOARD OF HEALTH**

**JEFFERSON COUNTY, COLORADO**

On May 18, 2010 at 8:07 a.m., President Cathy Corcoran called the meeting to order. Ms. Karen Gardella took roll call. Present were Ms. Beverley Dahan, Ms. Bonnie McNulty, Mr. John Jehn and Ms. Cathy Corcoran. Mr. Victor Boog, counsel, was also present. A quorum was established.

**Acceptance of Agenda**

Ms. Beverley Dahan made the motion to approve the agenda. Ms. Bonnie McNulty seconded the motion. **Motion passed.**

**Acceptance of Previous Minutes**

Ms. Bonnie McNulty made the motion to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2010 meeting. Ms. Beverley Dahan seconded the motion. **Motion passed.**

**Employee of the Month Presentation**

Ms. Cathy Corcoran presented the May Employee of the Month certificate to Ms. Susan Moyer with the Community Health Services Division.

**Financial Report**

Ms. Beverley Dahan made the motion to approve the financial report for April 2010, as presented by Ms. Beth Lipscomb. Mr. John Jehn seconded the motion. **Motion passed.**

**Contracts and Agreements**

Ms. Beverley Dahan made the motion to approve the contracts and agreements as presented by Ms. Lipscomb, Mr. John Jehn seconded the motion. **Motion passed.**

**Approval of Warrants**

Ms. Bonnie McNulty made the motion to approve the warrants as submitted. Ms. Beverley Dahan seconded the motion. **Motion passed.**

**Old Business**

Mr. Craig Sanders presented a slideshow of the failing septic system at 9064 Highway 285, owned by Mr. Spencer House. Due to the public health hazard the situation has created, Mr. Sanders and Mr. Victor Boog procured a temporary restraining order for all businesses at the address. A hearing is scheduled for May 19, 2010 at 1:15 p.m. for a preliminary injunction that would remain in effect until a final hearing is completed. A bankruptcy was filed by Mr. House and counsel contacted the attorney for the Trustee in Bankruptcy assigned to the case. The filing was incomplete and the case was dismissed by the bankruptcy court. Ms. Cathy Corcoran asked if a lien could be filed, due to the expenses incurred by Jefferson County Public Health (JCPH) on this case. Mr. John Jehn requested that an estimate of the time and money spent by JCPH on this property be presented to Mr. Boog. He will research the possibility of recouping the losses of JCPH.

For the record, Dr. Jim Dale stated that he believed it was appropriate to address the hours that have been expended, not only to protect public health, but also because the owner has refused to comply with the efforts of JCPH for over a year.

Mr. Sanders and JCPH staff met May 17, 2010 with the engineer and contractor hired to replace the failing system. The new system will be relocated uphill to an area that is significantly drier and a pump station will be installed. A specific set of operation and maintenance requirements for the new system will be mandated.

Mr. Craig Sanders updated the Board about the site visit on Case # 10-105751 OW. This case was heard at the April 20, 2010 meeting. One of the concerns was the placement of signage for the hearing. It was decided that the "Notification of Public Health Hearing" signs could have been posted in a more conspicuous place regarding this case. In the future, JCPH will be more diligent in placing the notifications where more residents can see them. In addition, JCPH will include

secondary signage with arrows pointing to the appropriate property.

It was also decided that the system will be mounded and a partial liner will be installed. This will resolve the second concern of the level of ground water.

### **New Business**

Dr. Jim Dale referred the Board to the written comments submitted by Dr. Mark Johnson regarding Senate Bill 10-189 on “approval of clean syringe exchange programs.” Ms. Beverley Dahan requested more recent information on studies in areas that have adopted this program.

Ms. Norma Tubman said that Boulder has had a syringe exchange program for approximately ten years. One of the public nurse directors presented on their program. She will send Norma all current articles/presentations pertaining to the program. Ms. Corcoran suggested that a presentation by the Boulder Health Department on this issue would be helpful. Ms. Tubman suggested that Denver Health experiences would help us to understand this program better. Also, JCPH’s Substance Abuse Counseling Program will help obtain more timely information.

### **Executive Director’s Comments**

Dr. Jim Dale directed the Board to the written comments submitted by Dr. Mark Johnson and volunteered to answer any questions the members had regarding the material. There were no questions.

### **Staff Comments**

Ms. Tubman announced to the Board that the Heart Wise Program will be cut the end of June due to lack of funding. The future of the TANF funded program still has not been finalized by Human Services.

Ms. Elise Lubell advised the Board that Dr. Johnson had commented on Amendment 35 Tobacco Program and JCPH is waiting for the Tobacco Review Committee to make their proposal of what they will fund. If it is prudent, there will be an application submitted for the funds.

Ms. Beth Lipscomb stated that JCPH will present the 2011 budget to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) September 1<sup>st</sup> and she invited the Board members to attend. The meeting will begin at 2:30 p.m., in the Commissioners’ Boardroom.

Mr. Victor Boog is attending the legal argument at the Court of Appeals today regarding the Colorado Mosquito Control (CMC) case.

Dr. Dale commented on the LiveWell Program extending to other cities. Part of the reorganization in the Environmental Health Division was to place more emphasis on land use and collaborate with Ms. Lubell and her team due to the positive differences they are making in Wheat Ridge. Dr. Dale hopes to work with other cities in Jefferson County for the same reasons. He assured the Board that JCPH will balance the resources wisely to provide public health input for land use, and urban agriculture, and to work with cities for improving the health of the county.

Ms. Lubell informed the Board that the City of Lakewood is hosting a meeting the evening of May 18<sup>th</sup>. The topic will be urban agriculture. Many cities are adopting regulations about poultry and all of the facets of urban agriculture. JCPH is learning what other municipalities are doing within our county, and then we will collaborate with them to create countywide efforts toward sustainability.

### **President’s Comments**

Ms. Cathy Corcoran stated that she and Dr. Johnson will attend the first meeting of the Colorado Association of Local Boards of Health (CALBOH) on June 1, 2010. Ms. Corcoran is looking forward to Jefferson County becoming a part of the state association of Boards of Health.

### **Public Comment**

None

There being no further business to come before the Board, this meeting was adjourned at 9:31 a.m.