

SALT LAKE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT  
BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES  
September 7, 2017 7:30 AM  
County Government Center  
Suite N2-800

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Brooke Hashimoto, Chair  
Russ Booth  
Councilmember Arlyn Bradshaw, by phone  
Scott Brown  
Clare Coonan  
Dr. William Cosgrove  
Judy Cullen

Mayor Robert Dahle  
Chris Hemmersmeier  
Paula Julander  
Roderic Land  
Leticia Medina  
Dr. Dorothea Verbrugge  
Dr. Jeffrey Ward

**EXCUSED/ABSENT:**

Kelly Christensen

**GUESTS/STAFF:**

Gary Edwards, SLCoHD Exec. Dir.  
Dagmar Vitek, SLCoHD Deputy Dir.  
Royal DeLegee, EH Dir.  
Karen Crompton, Human Services Dir.  
Kelly Wright, Dist. Atty.  
Ron Lund, EH  
Jeff Oaks, EH  
Jeff Smart, CHS  
Melanie Spencer, MO

Dorothy Adams, SLCoHD Deputy Dir.  
Audrey Stevenson, FHS Dir.  
Zack Stovall, SLCoHD Fiscal Mng.  
Chris Otto, Human Services Dir.  
Dianne Orcutt, Dist. Atty.  
Eric Peterson, EH  
Rachel Black, EH  
Ilene Risk, MO  
Heather Edwards, Admin.

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The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:30 AM by Brooke Hashimoto, Chair of the Salt Lake County Board of Health.

**MINUTES:**

Brooke Hashimoto, Chair, asked if there was a motion to approve the minutes from the August 10, 2017, Board of Health meeting. *The motion was made by Judy Cullen, seconded by Dr. William Cosgrove, to approve the minutes from the August 10, 2017, Board of Health meeting.* The motion passed unanimously, showing that all Board members present voted "Aye." Board members Russ Booth and Dr. Jeffrey Ward were not present for the vote.

**CHAIR'S REPORT:**

*Excused Board Members*

Brooke informed the Board that Kelly Christensen may miss the meeting today and Councilman Arlyn Bradshaw was participating by phone.

*Congressional Delegation Letters*

Brooke reminded Board members to send the prepared letter regarding Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting program funding which was sent by email last week, to each of the Utah congressional delegates. Clare Coonan stated that five Board members have already forwarded the letters.

*Flu Vaccines*

Brooke informed Board members they will be able to receive a flu vaccine during the October meeting. Heather will send out information prior to the meeting.

*Utah Association of Local Boards of Health (UALBH) Symposium*

The Annual UALBH Symposium begins today, September 7 and 8 at Daniels Summit Lodge. There are several Board members attending.

Judy Cullen congratulated Brooke on her wedding in August.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

*Operation Rio Grande*

Gary stated that the department has been very involved with the Operation Rio Grande efforts by providing daily clean-ups in Rio Grande and surrounding areas. There has been a displacement of the homeless population and Gary will be updating the Board as a separate agenda item during this meeting.

*Hepatitis A Outbreak*

Gary informed the Board that there is a Hepatitis A outbreak which appears to be concentrating in the homeless and IV drug-user populations. The department has been targeting these populations to provide vaccines and have provided vaccines to the first responders who have been working in the Operation Rio Grande project. This has been a coordination of the medical office and family health services divisions of the department.

*City Clinic Construction*

Gary informed Board members that the footings are installed and Big D Construction is on target for completion in August 2018. The department will have representatives participating on a County committee to begin selecting art for the new building.

*Utah Hospital Association Hosted Meeting*

Gary stated that the Utah Hospital Association will host a meeting, on September 25, with hospital administrators, to discuss Healthy Salt Lake initiatives and priorities. The department continues to have support from Intermountain Healthcare and will use the meeting to reach out to the other healthcare organizations in the valley to seek participation. Heather will send information regarding the meeting.

*2018 Budget Update*

Gary informed Board members that the department presented the 2018 proposed budget to the Mayor's Office. Gary informed Board members that the Mayor will present his proposed County budget in October and the Council will begin budget workshops in November with a public hearing held in December.

Clare Coonan asked if the department has heard concerns from community healthcare clinics regarding the Prevention and Public Health Fund, authorized under the Affordable Care Act, that potentially may have funding cut and asked what it could mean for residents in Salt Lake County. Gary stated that the department has a good working relationship with several of the community healthcare clinics and rely on them for healthcare access for clients which could decline if the funds are not supported.

**HEALTH REGULATION #5, FOOD SANITATION:**

Royal DeLegge, Environmental Health Director, presented amendments to Health Regulation #5, *Food Sanitation*, and asked the Board to adopt the proposed regulation. The amendments are necessary to bring the regulation in line with changes to the current state rule and incorporate the temporary amendment the Board approved during the May meeting. The regulation was opened for public comment during the special July 27, 2017, Board meeting and a public hearing held on August 30, 2017. The department received no public comment.

Brook Hashimoto, Chair, asked if there was a motion to adopt Health Regulation #5, *Food Sanitation*. *The motion was made by Clare Coonan, seconded by Dr. William Cosgrove, to adopt Health Regulation #5, Food Sanitation.* The motion passed unanimously, showing that all Board members present voted “Aye.”

For more detailed information, please see the hardcopy of the health regulation, resolution, and summary of changes included in the Board of Health meeting file folder.

**HEALTH DEPARTMENT FUND BALANCE:**

Darrin Casper, Deputy Mayor, lead a discussion with Board members regarding the department fund balance and distributed handouts. He stated that the department fund balance is healthy and he is not concerned. There will be an increase in debt services to the health department budget as the new building project begins to draw down the fund balance. The County continues to monitor this closely through the budget process, will not allow it to dip lower than the mandated amount, will shift funds from the County general fund to maintain it, and the department has a strong fiscal manager who continues to watch things closely. Darrin is confident in the departments conservative budget forecast that has been proposed.

For more detailed information, please see the hardcopy of the handouts included in the Board of Health meeting file folder.

**OPERATION RIO GRANDE:**

Gary Edwards, Executive Director, presented information related to Operation Rio Grande through a PowerPoint presentation. Slides included:

- Encampments 2014 - June 2017
- Rio Grande/500 West
- Rio Grande/500 West (Slide 2)
- Jordan River

Gary informed the Board that the health department has been conducting daily clean-ups in the Rio Grande area; these clean-ups have been in conjunction with Salt Lake City. Operation Rio Grande has three phases; incarceration, substance use/mental health treatment, and employment resources. The homeless population has been dispersed and the department is working with other municipalities to assist with the increased encampments occurring in South Salt Lake, Millcreek, Midvale, and West Valley City. The health departments community clean-up coordinator, Jorge Mendez, has taken on the responsibilities of working with each community partner, municipalities, and the homeless population. Currently the department is working to define the roles and responsibilities related to encampment clean-up efforts as the work continues to be multi-faceted.

Karen Crompton stated there are several moving parts related to the project and the efforts continue to shift as the population is dispersed. Roderic Land asked if data is being collected for those arrested that are related to the Operation Rio Grande and if there are enough treatment beds available. Karen stated that as individuals are booked into jail the data is being collected and the County does not have enough treatment beds available for individuals who need them. Scott Brown asked if there is any plan for legislative funding related to the project and Darrin Casper stated that the County has provided information to the legislature for their consideration.

For more detailed information, please see the hardcopy of the presentation included in the Board of Health meeting file folder.

**INFECTIOUS DISEASE UPDATE:**

Melanie Spencer, Epidemiologist, presented information related to the 2016 annual infectious disease report through a PowerPoint presentation. Slides included:

- Purpose
- Weekly Report
- Annual Report
- 2016 Top 20
- Top 20 Comparison
- Disease Profile
- 2016 Highlights
- 2017 Highlights (Slide 2)

For more detailed information, please see the hardcopy of the presentation included in the Board of Health meeting file folder.

**COUNTY HEALTH RANKINGS:**

Gary Edwards, SLCoHD Executive Director, presented the 2017 County Health Ranking through a PowerPoint presentation. Slides included:

- Health Outcomes
- Premature Death in Salt Lake County, UT
- Health Factors
- Adult Obesity in Salt Lake County, UT
- Physical Inactivity in Salt Lake County, UT
- Sexually Transmitted Infections in Salt Lake County, UT
- Health Factors (Slide 2)
- Uninsured in Salt Lake County, UT
- Preventable Hospital Stays in Salt Lake County, UT
- Diabetic Monitoring in Salt Lake County, UT
- Mammography Screening in Salt Lake County, UT
- Health Factors (Slide 3)
- Unemployment in Salt Lake County, UT
- Children in Poverty in Salt Lake County, UT
- Violent Crimes in Salt Lake County, UT

- Health Factors (Slide 4)
- Air Pollution – Particulate Matter in Salt Lake County, UT
- Salt Lake County Health Outcomes and Health Factors Ranking
- Salt Lake County Specific Health Outcomes and Factors Ranking
- Significant Challenges to Meeting Utah Rate
- Significant Challenges to Meeting National Benchmark
- Salt Lake County Rankins in the 90th Percentile
- Salt Lake County Compared to Selected Peer Counties

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Brooke Hashimoto adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:05 AM.