

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH
SPECIAL MEETING
APRIL 22, 2020**

THE CUSTER COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MET BY TELECONFERENCE.

The meeting was called to order by board member Tom Flower at 3:05 p.m. Roll call was taken and the following board members were present:

Tom Flower	Board member
Bill Canda	Board member
Jay Printz	Board member
Kelley Camper	Clerk to the Board

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

None

AUDIENCE

Present in the audience were: Public Health Director, Elisa Livengood; OEM Director, Meredith Nichols; County Attorney, Clint Smith; Ann Barthrop; Bonnie Simrell; John Johnston; Ann Evans; Sam Hepp; Jill Tomassoni; Julie Olomon; Adrian and Linda Washington; Raul Shockley; Bob Senderhauf; Steve Laswell; Dan and Jackie Bubis; Ashley Franklin; Willie Quinney; Cheryl Jenkins; Elliot Jackson; Cindi Flower; Rick Meckstroth; Sheila Mitchell; LeAnn Bair; Ann Willson; Lisa Kidwell; Candace McDaniel; Dale Mullen; Cara Evans; Tracy Ballard; and Bob Hollingsworth.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS

Tom Flower asked for nominations for Chair. Elisa Livengood nominated Tom Flower for Chair. Tom respectively declined. Tom Flower nominated Bill Canda for Chair.

MOTION by Tom Flower, to cease nominations and vote by acclamation. Motion carried unanimously.

BOH Chair will be Bill Canda. Tom Flower asked for nominations for Vice-Chair. Bill Canda nominated Jay Printz. Jay Printz nominated Tom Flower.

MOTION by Jay Printz, to cease nominations. Bill Canda voted for Jay Printz. Jay Printz and Tom Flower voted for Tom Flower. Motion carried.

BOH Vice-Chair will be Tom Flower. Tom Flower asked for nominations for Clerk to the Board. Bill Canda nominated Linda Washington.

MOTION by Jay Printz, to cease nominations and vote by roll call. Tom Flower voted against; Bill Canda voted for; and Jay Printz voted against. Motion failed.

Tom asked Clerk and Recorder, Kelley Camper, if she would serve as Clerk to the Board until one is appointed.

RESOLUTION 20-01

County Attorney, Clint Smith, prepared Board of Health Resolution 20-01, which ratifies the April 5, 2017 action of the selection of Elisa Livengood as the Public Health Director.

MOTION by Bill Canda, to adopt Board of Health Resolution 20-01 “A Resolution of the Custer County Board of Health, a Political Subdivision of the State of Colorado”. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTOR REPORT

Public Health Director, Elisa Livengood, reported that the County currently only has 2 positive cases of COVID-19 Coronavirus. Twelve others have been tested negative. Governor Polis’s “Safer at Home” model will begin on April 27th. Elisa has applied to the State for a waiver for Custer County to be able to start opening businesses sooner than the State’s guidelines.

MOTION by Tom Flower, to approve the draft letter of waiver and authorize Public Health Director, Elisa Livengood, to sign it. Motion carried unanimously.

Elisa went over the three phases of her plan to re-open.

MOTION by Jay Printz, to adopt Phase 1 implementation if the waiver is approved by the State, and to defer Phases 2 and 3 until we see how Phase 1 goes.

After discussion, and a few suggested changes to Phase 1, Jay Printz withdrew his motion.

MOTION by Tom Flower, to postpone this item of business until the document is updated. Motion carried unanimously.

Elisa presented her guidelines for opening businesses. Each business will be required to file a plan with the Public Health Agency. Once their plan is approved, they will get a Certificate of Achievement to hang in their business that lets customers know that they are in compliance with State and County regulations.

MOTION by Jay Printz, to approve the Custer County Business Social Distancing Protocol form with the addition of adding responsible party name and signature. Motion carried unanimously.

It was suggested to Elisa to change the Certificate of Achievement to a COVID-19 Certificate of Safety Compliance.

MOTION by Jay Printz, to adopt the COVID-19 Certificate of Safety Compliance. Motion carried unanimously.

APPOINTING A NEW BOARD OF HEALTH

Tom Flower voiced his concern about the three County Commissioners sitting as the Board of Health. He stated that there are several members of the community that would have more experience in the medical field and would be better suited for the Board of Health. County Attorney, Clint Smith, stated that to do this, they would have to dissolve the current Board of Health and appoint a new board. After discussion, it was decided to leave it as is for now.

APPOINTING COUNSEL TO THE BOARD OF HEALTH

MOTION by Tom Flower, to appoint Clint Smith as counsel for the Board of Health, and to waive any claim of conflict of interest. Motion carried unanimously.

Clint felt there could be a conflict of interest with him serving as counsel for both the Board of County Commissioners and the Board of Health.

MODIFICATION OF CURRENT PUBLIC HEALTH ORDERS

Public Health Director, Elisa Livengood, recommends that the BOH amend the current Public Health Order # 20-04 to terminate at midnight on April 26th, and all orders going forward mimic the State order until the waiver is approved.

MOTION by Jay Printz, to adopt the recommendation of the Public Health Director. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was public comment by Tom Flower and Meredith Nichols. Meredith sent an updated Phase 1 plan to the BOH.

MOTION by Jay Printz, to adopt Phase 1 implementation if the waiver is approved by the State, and to defer Phases 2 and 3 until we see how Phase 1 goes. Motion carried unanimously.

Having no further business, the Board of Health adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

BOH Chair, Bill Canda

Attest:
Clerk to the Board, Kelley S. Camper