

Archuleta County Investigative Health Committee Meeting - Minutes

Tuesday, August 24th, 2021

Start – 6:00 PM

Roll Call:

1. Susan Kleckner, Mike LeRoux, Mozhdeh Bruss, Marybeth Snyder, Leslie Davis and LaVonda Bass were present in person. Adam Talamante was absent. Jamie Jones managed Zoom.

Approval and Adjustments to the Agenda:

The Agenda was adjusted: Under 5. New Business: Guest speaker John McKee was unable to attend. *Mike made a motion to approve the agenda with the elimination of the guest speaker, LaVonda seconded the motion, all "aye" and the Agenda was approved with the one change.*

Disclosures and/or conflicts of interest with item on the Agenda:

All agreed there were none.

Meeting Minutes:

Mike made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the August 12, 2021, Susie seconded the motion, all "aye" and the minutes were approved.

New Business:

- A. Mozhdeh reminded the Committee that all emails are to go to Jamie and Jamie will send to all to comply with Open Records requirements.
- B. All verified they had reviewed the contents of the flash drive distributed by Warren Brown at the last meeting. No questions were brought up on that content.
- C. Mozhdeh presented a spreadsheet she created. It is titled "County health department programs and responsibilities vary from county to county. Essential health services can include the following. C.R.S. 25-1-506", herein called Exhibit A. This can be used to research and gain information from SJBPH, Montezuma County PH and Southern Ute Health. It can be used with another spreadsheet herein named Exhibit B. This 2-page sheet lists "Essential Public Health Services" and is designed to address each service category. The list was derived from the Public Health Agencies document included in the flash drive. Exh A and B are attached. They were read and reviewed line by line.
Research found that Archuleta County (AC) does not have a contract or Inter-Governmental agreement with San Juan Basin Public Health (SJBPH), rather there is a 2009 Resolution naming SJBPH as the health district. Another Resolution #2020-227 made some minor changes to the 2009 Resolution. Document presented also: "Memorandum dated June 22, 2020 to Todd Weaver from Mary Helminski RE "County Public Health Agency"" herein named Exhibit C. It refers to C.R.S. Title 25 and lists Colorado District Health Agencies (PHA's) and the duties required, budget information and more. It was stated that AC spends \$20 per resident which is \$280,040 annually to serve 14,002 residents. La Plata county has 56,221 residents, an 80/20 split in population. SJBPH has 60 employees with 4 serving AC which is not an 80/30 split noting that the 60 employees include administrative staff. SJBPH meets the reporting requirements for AC. It was brought up that AC had little input in the SJBPH 5-year plan that is now in its third year.
- D. The importance of public input was discussed and all agreed that needs to be obtained: Are the needs of AC residents being met from the public perspective?

- E. Research found some services are not being offered currently by SJBPH and were presented: illness and injury prevention, Women, Infant and Children programs (WIC), Well Child services, promotion of healthy behaviors, sexual health (although Aspire may be doing some of that), special needs services, migrant health. Immunizations are provided 1 or 2 times per month.
- F. AC emergency management program (EM) is under-resourced since Covid arrived. Mike mentioned that EM relationships during the pandemic were generally better with county PH than with districts.
- G. An action item agreed upon is to formulate a request to the AC Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) asking for 1) help in arranging a meeting with SJBPH to ask the questions referred to in Exh A and B; 2) review SJBPH invoices, terms and conditions if any; 3) obtain expenditures on AC by Exh B headline (bold) category of services ; 4) learn which of those essential public health services are being provided locally and how; 5) obtain the SJBPH budget for AC; 6) obtain the years 2019 and 2020 budgets by line item; 7)ask for reports from SJBPH for services provided 8) ask SJBPH how we can help bring back discontinued programs.
- H. Investigating Silver Thread PH from Mineral county is not being pursued at this time.

Old Business:

- A. N/A

Member Tasks:

- A. Mozhdeh to edit the Exh A and B spreadsheets to present to BOCC for SJBPH to provide information needed.
- B. Marybeth to formulate a request to BOCC to invite SJBPH to meet in person to provide information needed.
- C. Leslie to contact the AC treasurer for SJBPH invoices and funds paid to them.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, August 31 at 6:00 PM

Adjourn Meeting: 8:06 PM