

Archuleta County Investigative Health Committee Meeting - Minutes

Tuesday, November 16, 2021 the 7th meeting

Start – 6:03 PM

Roll Call:

Susan Kleckner, Mozhdah Bruss, Leslie Davis, Marybeth Snyder, Mike Le Roux and LaVonda Bass were present in person. Adam Talamante had other obligations. There were guests in the audience.

Approval and Adjustments to the Agenda:

Leslie made a motion to approve the Agenda as presented, Susie seconded the motion, all "aye" and the Agenda was approved as presented.

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

All agreed there were none.

Meeting Minutes:

Susie made a motion to approve the Minutes from the October 12, 2021 meeting as presented, Leslie seconded the motion, all "aye" and the Minutes were approved as presented. Marybeth made a motion to approve the Minutes from the October 26, 2021 meeting as presented, Leslie seconded the motion, all "aye" and the Minutes were approved as presented.

New Business:

- A. Report of Committee Members' research into 3B counties:** The committee members used a questionnaire to obtain information from the 3B counties. Logan County had not called back and it was decided not to pursue that county further. Reports were given on Alamosa County, Gilpin County, Grand County, Montezuma County and Delta County. It was mentioned that Delta County is a member of West Central Public Health Partnership (WCPHP) which is a partnership between Delta, Hinsdale, Gunnison, Montrose, Ouray and San Miguel counties. The WCPHP does the 5-year assessments and some required reporting for a nominal fee and may accept additional members. A similar report of what was learned from SJBPH will be presented at the next meeting.
- B. Report from public outreach:** Committee members did some one-on-one public outreach to learn about the experiences community members have had with SJBPH. Businesses such as restaurants were contacted as well as individuals. More outreach results will be presented at the next meeting. The feedback was reportedly both favorable and unfavorable. It was discussed and the committee came to the conclusion that the committee is not equipped to perform a formal, accurate and conclusive poll due to time constraints and lack of resources and the committee would recommend to the BoCC that a formal poll be conducted at some point.
- C. Discuss other items of mutual interest:** a) The question of "what determines poverty level" came up. A quick search showed the poverty threshold is determined by income and family size: example is \$31,661 for a family of five. b) the task assigned to this committee was discussed. It was agreed that the committee was not asked to research "feasibility", additional resources would be needed. c) A suggestion was made that Archuleta County make its decision before 2023 when the 5-year Improvement Plan is due.
- D. Plan for Presentation of findings to Commissioners:** The committee has learned from the investigation and is prepared to present to the Commissioners. It was suggested that

Commissioner Warren Brown be invited to the next meeting to receive the information. The next meeting will likely be the last one. It was decided to create a cover letter describing the content of the presentation, a snapshot chart comparing statistics of the 3B counties for reference and a copy of the information compiled from each 3B county as well as Montezuma County. Logan county will be excluded because it is not technically a 3B county and plenty of information has been obtained from the others.

Member Tasks:

- A. A cover letter shall be created.
- B. A "snapshot" chart of 3B county statistics shall be created.
- C. Marybeth will contact Adam to inform him of the next meeting date and time.
- D. Any further public outreach will be completed and reported at the next meeting.
- E. A report regarding SJBPH for comparison will be presented at the next meeting.

Next Meeting: The next and final meeting will be on Monday, December 6, 2021 at 6 pm. The task was to be completed by the end of November or early December.

Adjourn Meeting: 8:36 PM