

MOFFAT COUNTY BOARD OF PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY MEETING

March 19, 2020

10:30 am

Moffat County Courthouse
Commissioner's Chambers

AGENDA ITEMS

Topic:

Introductions

KC Hume - Update of Current Stakeholder Meeting Status and Objectives

Commissioner Cook -COOP plan updates Moffat County

Kari Ladrow - Update on new Mass Gatherings Order from CDPHE Executive Director- Jill Ryan (10 people or less). Release for the community

Dr. Harrington and Steve Hilley - Current testing and case counts

Steve Hilley - Memorial Regional Hospital Capacity and processes

- Other Business

- General Discussion

Next regular meeting:
9 am – June 15, 2020

**Moffat County Board of Public Health
221 W Victory Way Suite 130 Craig, CO 81625**

March 19, 2020

In attendance: Ray Beck, Chair; Don Cook, Board Member; Donald Broom, Board Member; Erin Miller, Deputy Clerk & Recorder; Rebecca Tyree; Kari Ladrow; Olivia Scheele; KC Hume; Dr. Brian Harrington (by phone); Annette Norton; JD Smith (by phone); Steve Hilley; Roy Tipton; Suzanne Hope; Mindy Curtis; Capt. Conrad (CSP); Jeff Comstock; Jay Cranmer

**Call to Order
Emergency County Board of Public Health Meeting**

10:30 am

Beck called the special Board of Public Health meeting to order, and read a statement about what is currently going on with COVID-19 in Moffat County

- ❖ Annette Norton – DHS update:
 - Explained the plan that has been developed for DHS staff to be able to still work, but at home
 - Suspended all travel outside of the county
 - Emergent face to face contact only for at risk children or seniors
 - Daycare protocol changes
 - Supervised visitations have been cancelled for two weeks
 - Food stamps and cash assistance applications have increased
 - Succession plan
 - Trying to establish a 1-800 number for community food services
- ❖ Suzanne Hope – Housing Authority update:
 - No congregate meals; Meals on Wheels only
 - Senior transportation numbers have fallen slightly
 - Signage

Commissioner Cook asked Kari Ladrow and Dr. Harrington if it was necessary (at this point) to lock the doors or put restrictions on Senior Housing. Kari commented that she felt, because we have no diagnosed cases, that they didn't need to lock the doors. Dr. Harrington recommended visitation restrictions, similar to Sandrock Ridge. Kari told Suzanne that she would get her the recommendations from the CDC.

- ❖ KC Hume :
 - Update of Current Stakeholder meeting status and objectives
 - Thanked Kari, Steve Hilley ,Olivia, and Don Cook for all of their work on the Stakeholder Committee
 - Community effort
 - Measured sense of reasonableness
 - Conversations with Routt County re: transportation (SST), etc.
 - Stakeholder meetings held Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays
 - Chief Judge has issued an executive order for the 14th Judicial District re: court functions, the jail/inmate populations, etc.
 - Discussed the role of the new Emergency Coordinator in this process
- ❖ Kari Ladrow/Olivia Scheele :
 - Update on new Mass Gathering Orders from CDPHE Executive Director – Jill Ryan; release guidelines on gathering sizes (from 50 to 10 people or less) to the community
 - It's going to take a village, but there is also personal responsibility

- Lots of communication going on at local, state and federal levels
- Policy developed for school district
- Thanked Dr. Harrington for his accessibility
- Unified public communication front
- Secondary impacts of social isolation

❖ Dr. Harrington :

- Current testing and case counts
- Dr. Harrington spoke to the testing criteria
- Prevent worse case scenarios

Commissioner Cook asked if it would be advantageous to shut down the courthouse offices to public access? Dr. Harrington said the most important thing was reducing the social interaction, location is less important; limiting the amount of people in a space.

❖ Steve Hilley:

- MRH capacity and processes
- Gave data from across the world, nation and state
- Virus comes in waves. NW Colorado is in a good position to watch and anticipate the wave
- Hospital Emergency Command center set up in old OB unit
- Hoping to establish a 24/7 1-800 hotline by Monday
- Monitoring staff
- Ventilator
- Still doing elective surgeries at this time

❖ Commissioner Cook – Moffat County Coordination of Operations plan updates

- Tier 1: County offices would close; limit staff onsite; appropriate staff would work from home. Commissioners would have to work out how to pay employees under all circumstances.


There was discussion about the best way to get accurate information out to the public about what the County is doing to be prepared or if there would be a diagnosed case. Kari Ladrow asked if there was anyone in the County to act as a Public Information Officer. The BOCC responded that that was something that needed to be looked at. Olivia said since she has been posting twice daily notices to the Moffat County Facebook page, it has increased to 1300 followers. Kari thought that the PIO should come from the Stakeholder group. Commissioner Beck said that the BOCC is going to submit a Letter to the Editor of the newspaper that would run on Friday, informing the public what the County is doing.

The meeting was adjourned at 11: 47 a.m.

Meeting Adjourned

Submitted by: Erin Miller, Deputy County Clerk and Recorder

Approved by:







Approved on:

April 14, 2020

Attest by:

Erin Miller

