

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

May 28, 2020

In attendance: Ray Beck, Chair; Don Cook, Member; Donald Broom, Board Member; Erin Miller, Deputy Clerk & Recorder; Josh Carney; Rebecca Tyree; Kari Ladrow; Olivia Scheele; Melody Villard; Shauana Merrill; Josh Carney; Peter Brixius; (by phone) Shannon Lukens; Brian Harrington; Jennifer Riley; Chris Nichols; Travis Sanford;

Call to Order
Special County Board of Public Health Meeting

10:00 am

Beck called the special Board of Public Health meeting to order. Beck read a message to the public concerning the Board of Public Health and their duties, the Moffat County COVID-19 timeline, and variances.

Yesterday, Commissioner Cook and Olivia Scheele made a trip into a local restaurant to explain the restaurant variance process because the restaurant staff/management didn't understand English very well. Olivia formulated a poster for restaurants, their employees and patrons to explain everyone's responsibilities.

- **Variances:**

The Governor is expected to make a swimming pool variance announcement on June 1st. There was discussion about a variance for gathering size, which will most likely depend on if it is an indoor event vs an outdoor event. A draft variance for both topics will be developed and amended as necessary after the Governor's speech on June 1st.

- **Phone Line:**

Kari talked about the reason why the "concern line" was developed. It is not supposed to be a "tattletale" mechanism. Cook said it can even be a way for businesses to reach out for compliance assistance. The phone line is in the Public Health Nurse's office, and Olivia checks the messages once a day. She would like to see consistency in enforcement so she can relay that information to individuals who call in.

- **Personal Services Guidelines:**

Due to complaints from the public about certain salon operators that are not following the current Executive Orders (Safer at Home), the BPH asked County Attorney, Rebecca Tyree, to come up with a compliance letter to a specific salon, and a reminder letter to the rest of the Personal Services providers about following the guidelines.

Cook made a motion to approve sending a request to comply letter to Stylz 5th Avenue and a modified reminder letter to all Personal Services providers. Broom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

- Masks:

Kari explained the purpose of and the science behind wearing masks in the prevention of the spread of COVID-19.

Public Comment:

Chris Nichols commented on:

- How bad the audio has been for these calls.
- Agreed that the gathering size should definitely be based on whether it is outside or inside.
- Thinks that no matter how it's presented, the phone line is still a "tattletale" line; it has been really bad in Routt County.
- Thinks that education related to mask wearing is very important.

Melody Villard thanked the Public Health Department for all their work on trying to get the High School Rodeo finals event approved to move forward. But because of the Executive Orders at this time, it had to be cancelled.

Kari made a final comment related to the phone line. It's important to solve our citizen's concerns at a local level, rather than having them go to the State.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:01 am

Meeting Adjourned

Submitted by: Erin Miller, Deputy County Clerk and Recorder

Approved by: Ray Beck

Donald Broom

Approved on: June 9th, 2020

Attest by: Erin Miller

