

BOARD OF HEALTH WORK SESSION AGENDA

MONDAY NOVEMBER 24, 2014

CITY-COUNTY COMPLEX/EAST ROOM

A special work session to discuss the Director of Nursing position and a discussion on the future direction the Park County Health Department would like to take.

1. Call to Order at 5:30pm.
2. Introductions—Introduction of all participants
3. A Facilitated discussion based on the state statutes for Public Health Policy MCA 50-1-105

Ted Madden, MBA, Executive Director Park County Community Foundation

Barbara Woodbury, R.S., M.P.H.  
Park County Director of Environmental Health

- (a) promoting conditions in which people can be healthy;
- (b) providing or promoting the provision of public health services and functions, including:
  - (i) monitoring health status to identify and recommend solutions to community health problems;
  - (ii) investigating and diagnosing health problems and health hazards in the community;
  - (iii) informing and educating individuals about health issues;
  - (iv) coordinating public and private sector collaboration and action to identify and solve health problems;
  - (v) developing policies, plans, and programs that support individual and community health efforts;
  - (vi) implementing and enforcing laws and regulations that protect health and ensure safety;
  - (vii) linking individuals to needed personal health services and assisting with needed health care when otherwise unavailable;
  - (viii) to the extent practicable, providing a competent public health workforce;
  - (ix) evaluating effectiveness, accessibility, and quality of personal and population-based health services; and
  - (x) to the extent that resources are available, conducting research for new insights on and innovative solutions to health problems;
- (c) encouraging collaboration among public and private sector partners in the public health system;
- (d) seeking adequate funding and other resources to provide public health services and functions or accomplish public health system goals through public or private sources;
- (e) striving to ensure that public health services and functions are provided and public health powers are used based upon the best available scientific evidence; and
- (f) implementing the role of public health services and functions, health promotion, and preventive health services within the state health care system.

- **Identify timeline and next steps**

4. Public Comment

5. Adjourn ~~7:30pm~~ 7:25pm

NOTE: Please call the Environmental Health Dept. 222-4145 if you are unable to attend the meeting. If a quorum is not possible, we can cancel and reschedule the meeting.

Sign In Special Board of Health Meeting  
Nov. 24, 2014

Barbara Woodbury RS	Park Co. EH
Lee Grindinger	Health Board
Kent Hanawalt	Health Board
Suzanne Brown	PCHD
Greg Coleman	PC DES
Dale WADLE	MD
Jon mann	Board
Mary Beebe	Board

Also Present:

Jim Durgan  
Clint Tinsley  
Ted Madden  
Genevieve Reid, MD  
Mary Ann Keyes  
Peggy O'Neill

## **Board of Health**

### **Special Meeting**

November 24, 2014

Park County, Montana

**Attendance:** Board of Health Members: Jon Mann, Lee Grindinger, Mary Beebe, Chairperson--Peggy O'Neill, Kent Hanawalt; Barbara Woodbury, PC Environmental Health; Dr. Genevieve Reid, Health Officer candidate; Greg Coleman, PC DES; Suzanne Brown, PC Public Health Nurse; Dr. Doug Wadle, PC Health Officer; Ted Madden, PC Community Foundation; Clint Tinsley, PC Commissioner; Jim Durgan, PC Commissioner; Mary Anne Keyes, MSU Extension

**Call to Order: @5:30pm Community Room, City-County Complex**

A special meeting to discuss the future of the Park County Health department as Suzanne Brown retires and Dr. Wadle wishes to resign as Health Officer. Ted Madden lead discussion based on 10 Essential Services of Public Health. Issues brought up: Community Health Education, e.g smoking cessation; Monitoring Health Status by finding out where we are currently. Brown discussed process for reporting communicable diseases. If there was a long term natural disaster, the health department is called in to help. Coleman stated the Health Nurse is the Incident Commander if there is a disease outbreak in our emergency plans. Grant reporting and deliverables were discussed. Extensions are possible, if needed, for the PHEP grant deliverables. Brown stated she is currently immunizing about 20 people (mainly city & county employees) for Hepatitis B and they all have schedules to come in for vaccines. Refrigerator temperatures, where vaccines are kept, need to be documented and monitored. There was discussion of contracting out vaccinations to other entities to free up time for anyone in the health nurse position. O'Neill brought up concerns about patients that need to be monitored, for example someone with Ebola exposure. O'Neill feels there is a need to have the health department as the point of contact for a response to an incident like this. Discussion about communication and coordination when there is a person of interest in a case like Ebola. Dr. Wadle said he would like the Board to be more involved community health promotion. Dr. Reid most important is coordination of effort. One nurse cannot do everything alone, but needs to work with others in the community to identify where resources exist and how the health department might best support community efforts. There was a discussion on the Homemaker Grant and services provided. Seniors have identified getting help with chores around their homes is vital to helping seniors staying in their own homes. Park County's population is aging. Coleman says unnecessary 911 calls are often associated with people needing help at home, not really emergency response. Discussion on suicide rates and mental health needs in Park County. Discussion on transportation problems people have to get to medical appointments, especially out of town appointments. Tinsley's main concern was to get someone in on an interim basis to be available for this position until we can find someone permanently. He stated Mary Anne Keyes would be available to facilitate future meetings. Woodbury suggested Dr. Reid could possibly fill this interim role. Dr. Reid said she would discuss with Brown what would be required and she would need to be paid to fill in. Dr. Wadle felt the Health Officer should be

more involved with the Health Department than he has had to devote to the position. There was a discussion on how different counties structure their health departments.

Clint Tinsley called Mary Anne Keyes to address the group. Keyes said interested partners should be identified and called to the discussions. In this way community partners could identify who does what and where there might be gaps or duplication of efforts. Tinsley called for Extension to facilitate that process. Hanawalt said there is a need for leadership ability in the candidate to fill the nurse position. Tinsley would like an interim person brought in so there is time to have these discussions and find the right person. There was a discussion about who stakeholders are and who should be invited to the discussions.

Next meeting was set for December 15, 2014 at 5:30p.m. at the MSU Extension Office.

**Adjournment: 7:00pm**