

**Rio Grande County Board of Health
Thursday, March 10, 2015**

Rio Grande County: Karla Shriver (president)
Pam Bricker (vice-president)
Doug Davie
Emily Brown (secretary)

Del Norte: Marty Asplin

Monte Vista:

South Fork: Pat Fluck

Also present: Randy Kern, RGC Building Office
Dixie Diltz, RGC Land Use
Rich Silkey, Mountain Engineering
Lin Spangler
Suzanne Bothell
John McDaniel
Debra McDaniel

A quorum was present. The meeting was called to order at 4:04 PM.

Approval of Minutes

There were no additions to the agenda.

The minutes from the December 10, 2015 Board of Health meeting were approved with corrections (Aspolin/Bricker/carried).

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

OWTS Discussion

Restriction removal request

- New title – merge into one deed “tying them together”; prepare a deed
- Could sale off 2 lots, but only to neighbor
- These violations could already be occurring because parcels aren't currently being required to be combined
- Pat noted that Alpine is getting looked at
- If we require land to be combined, this would set a new precedence for combining lots
- Currently property is in a trust and all 6 lots are in the same trust
- Pat would like to encourage us to do everything possible to combine lots
- Bricker moved/Asplin seconded to remove restriction for Variance; motion carried unanimously.

EMILY will create resolution, will get Karla to sign, will get recorded at Clerk, will email approved resolution to Spanglers; re_spangler@msn.com – Emily will email copy

Mountain Engineering/RichSilkey – “Operations & Maintenance for Higher Level OWTS Treatment”

- Their main office is in Salida and they just opened up office in Monte Vista
- High level treatments allow set back restrictions to be reduced (i.e. Alpine, lower Indian Trails). Proposal: could do initial plan review, would create database and track; This would only be for people taking reductions for using higher level treatments; not all OWTS
- Randy: thinks this could be great if we could figure out how to make it work; Karla: what kind of fee would be charged for service? Rich didn't think it would make sense to charge county, maybe charge fee for higher level systems; would be great to contract directly through homeowner – but this might get messy; could be like SLV Conservancy District where a fee is recorded on title; Dixie: if homeowner decides to stop paying in a few years, can BoH still enforce this; Marty likes tying this to property so it's not an option to stop paying; Rich – this would probably be only a handful of properties a year
- Board is open to exploring this; Karla proposes a workgroup; Emily suggested partnering at SLV PHP & then Commissioners Association (maybe mid July); Emily suggested bringing up anything that could take burden off either Land Use and/or Public Health

Violation enforcement discussion

- Emily provided background on issue; Randy shared new information
- Land Use perspective – to honor permit agreement, building permit will expire April 30th; other violation could be blight issues for accumulation; Dixie has drafted a rough letter from the land use perspective; this might have to go through Planning & Zoning board
- Karla – due to timelines, we can't do anything on Land Use side until end of April
- EMILY will contact Costilla or Saguache to see if they already have something with wording; EMILY WILL EMAIL BoH by next Friday w/ a document reviewed by Bill**
- Once Bill draws up paperwork, sheriff will deliver

Annual Election of Officers

Per the bylaws, “President, Vice-President and Secretary shall be elected from the Membership ... to serve until the first regularly scheduled meeting of the (year) following their election...” It was decided that the current officers would stay the same. Asplin/Fluke moved; motion carried unanimously.

Action Item Review

- Emily will update the Quarantine and Isolation Plan, in coordination with regional EPR staff, and will distribute to BoH, county attorney, emergency manager, and law enforcement for review.
- Emily will work with Linda Smith to get updated media contacts, and will update these in the Risk Communication Plan.
- Emily will plan to bring Bike to Work month/day up for planning in the spring.
- Emily presented at a Monte Vista City Council meeting on February 18th.
- Emily will contact Pat to schedule and orientation on the Board of Health, as well as the Regional Environmental Health Plan.

- Emily will look into partnering with SLV REC for flu shots at employee health day.
- The MOA with the County Clerk's office for vital records has been updated.
- Emily will research NACCHO's link to Brownfields.
 - CDPHE has been in building and Kansas City group knows about it too

Updates from Director

Director presented town representatives with Board of County Commissioners reports since December.

National Public Health Week – April 4-10, 2016

Colorado Bike to Work Day – June 22, 2016

Emily will share info once she gets it, as well as any promotion

Rabies MOU – is there a requirement for animal to be released with all shots?; good to promote this and do a community clinic to get pets updated

EMILY will send to Carol; TAKE ACTION at June BoH

Environmental Health Report presented

-EMILY will ask LYNNEA if we license High Valley and Kids Connection

-ASK KRISTI for LoS from county for Recycling Grant which is partially county supported

Baby & Me Tobacco Free MOU – have commissioners sign

Training – April 14th “Coordinated Response Exercise for pipelines”= Emily will attend;

TALK TO MIKE WISDOM about where pipelines are in county/area

Updates from Municipalities & County

Monte Vista:

Del Norte: April 1st – start on sewer project; town will be updating reservoir (moving booster pump); ADA violation – CDOT has to redo all curbs and gutters throughout town

South Fork: **EMILY make sure to update Pat/SF when apartment issue gets resolved**

County: Individual wants to die and be buried at landfill; we could use public health support if landfill needed to say no; Karla noted that there is state statute regarding proper burial

Master plan – goes before planning commission next week and to commissioners in April

Other Business

Next Meeting

September 8th at 4:00 p.m. – may need substitution due to Emily's maternity leave, but Board wants to see hold meeting, even if it is abbreviated. Pat will not be at next meeting; no longer representing SF

The meeting was adjourned at 5:34 p.m.

Submitted by
Emily Brown Secretary