

LARIMER COUNTY | HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

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BOARD OF HEALTH

Bernard Birnbaum, MD, President

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Jennifer Lee, MS

Janna West Kowalski, MS

Tony J. Van Goor, MD

Mission:

Working to provide everyone in Larimer County the opportunity for a healthy life.

Vision:

Larimer County is a thriving, health-aware community where everyone has access to healthy choices and a healthy environment.

LARIMER COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH – January 20, 2021

The Larimer County Board of Health (BoH) convened their regular meeting at 6:00pm through the Zoom virtual platform due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Members Present: Dr. Bernard Birnbaum
Jennifer Lee
Dr. Tony J. Van Goor
Janna West Kowalski
Brian DelGrosso

Executive Secretary: Tom Gonzales

County Staff: Andrea Clement-Johnson, John Voss, Phillip Daniel, Kelsey Lyon, Chris Manley, Kori Wilford, Laura Walker, Commissioner John Kefalas, Dr. Paul Mayer, Frank Haug, Shann Holt, Talia Hirsch, Jared Olson

Call to Order - Dr. Bernard Birnbaum, Board President, called the regular Board of Health meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Public Comment - Brittany Friar, Berthoud; Heather Lahdenpera, Fort Collins; Keri Park, Fort Collins; Camie Larson, Fort Collins; Caleb Larson, Fort Collins; Nancy Eason, Fort Collins; Tasha Carr, Livermore; Tiffin Vaughn, Fort Collins; Megan Downing, Timnath; Dee Dee Vicino, Fort Collins; Jessica Kraus, Fort Collins; Nicky Galbraith, Fort Collins; Erin Ramler, Fort Collins; Erin Lee, Wellington; Lisa Maclean, Fort Collins; Kelly Coulson, Loveland; Laurie Dupuis, Loveland; Tanya Bradbury, Loveland; Jim Winebrenner, Fort Collins; Julia Belova-Ross, Location Unknown; Kelsey Day, Fort Collins; Lisa Winbourn, Location Unknown; all made public comment.

Approval of December 16, 2021 Minutes

Action - Dr. Tony J. Van Goor motioned to approve the minutes. Janna West Kowalski seconded the motion. Jennifer Lee also seconded the motion.

Motion was unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS

2022 Work Plan Overview - Talia Hirsch, Program Coordinator for Strategic Planning Initiatives, and Shann Holt, Nutrition Supervisor, presented an update on the 2022 Work Plan. The 2022 Work Plan builds off the 2021 Work Plan and the 2020-2025 Strategic Plan to determine 2022 action items.

House Bill 21-1115 - Board of Health Requirements - Frank Haug, Assistant County Attorney, updated the



Board on House Bill 21-1115 which requires Board of Health members to complete training through the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. This training will cover Boards of Health statutory requirements and public health emergency planning. The bill also requires the state to give guidance to local public health entities on selecting Board of Health members.

2022 Board of Health Monthly Commitments - Tom Gonzales, Public Health Director, reviewed the Board of Health monthly commitments.

UPDATES

COVID-19 Status Update - Dr. Jared Olson, Population Epidemiologist, presented updates on the Omicron variant and Larimer County COVID-19 hospital data.

Dr. Paul Mayer, Medical Officer, presented an update on the age-adjusted risk of being hospitalized with COVID-19 for unvaccinated and fully vaccinated individuals.

Tom Gonzales, Public Health Director, presented updates on the Larimer County COVID-19 suppression efforts.

Kori Wilford, Interim Community Relations and Public Information Supervisor, updated the Board on high-quality mask distribution efforts in the county.

Tom Gonzales, Public Health Director, further presented updates on our current COVID-19 priorities within the county.

Dr. Paul Mayer, Medical Officer, further presented an update on quarantine and isolation changes.

Andrea Clement-Johnson, Deputy Public Health Director, presented updates on the free at-home COVID-19 tests and the vaccination efforts.

Director's Update-

Chris Manley, Environmental Health Director, presented an update on the department's new environmental health enterprise system, HealthSpace.

Andrea Clement-Johnson, Deputy Public Health Director, updated the Board on our response to the Marshall Fire and our efforts to provide assistance to Boulder County residents. She also presented an update on House Bill 22-1064, which prohibits flavored tobacco products and regulates synthetic nicotine products.

Board Member Updates - Dr. Tony J. Van Goor mentioned that he attended a virtual webinar from the Centers for Disease Control on the COVID-19 antivirals, Molnupiravir and Paxlovid.

The meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.