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Board of Health

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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

MINUTES

LARIMER COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

May 15, 2025

The Larimer County Board of Health (BoH) convened their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m, in-person, at 1525 Blue Spruce Rd, Fort Collins, CO, 80524 and virtually through the Zoom platform.

Board of Health Members:

Ms Christy Bush, MHS, President
Ms Heather Weir, MPH, RD,
Dr Bernard Birnbaum, MD
Mr Brian DelGrosso

Excused

Dr Tony J. Van Goor, MD

Executive Secretary:

Mr Tom Gonzales, MPH, Public Health Director

Staff:

Dr Paul Mayer, MD, Medical Officer
Ms Lea Schneider, Environmental Health Planner
Ms Andrea Clement-Johnson, MS, Deputy Public Health Director
Ms Kori Wilford, MPH, Communications and Technology Manager
Dr Jared Olson, Senior Population Epidemiologist
Mr Matt Bauer, Communicable Disease and Emergency Preparedness & Response Manager
Ms Kimberly Baker, Health in All Policies Coordinator
Ms Brooke Lake, Administrative Specialist (Recorder)

Call to Order - The President called the regular BoH meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Public Comment - No public comment.

Approval of April 17, 2025 Minutes

Action - Dr Birnbaum moved to approve the minutes as written. Ms Weir seconded the motion.

Motion was unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Air Quality Program Progress Report

Discussion points:

- Denver Metro/North Front Range Ozone Nonattainment: Much of Larimer County is located in this area.
- Air quality is a regional concern.
- CDPHE contract: Inspect sources of pollution permitted by APCD, investigate complaints, and operate/maintain air quality equipment, and review burn permit requests with local fire districts.
- Commercial landscape electrification: Recipients are awarded up to \$6,000. Aligns with Larimer County's commitment to sustainability. Funding from the Board of County Commissioners will fund 12-14 commercial landscape companies.
- Regulatory air quality monitoring in new locations: Timnath, Fossil Creek Reservoir, and Loveland.
- All new monitors include ozone and nitrogen oxides (NOx) monitors.
- Ribbon cutting at Loveland air quality monitoring station is scheduled for Friday, May 30th.

National Clean Air Month Proclamation

Discussion point:

- A Joint Proclamation, between the Larimer County Board of Commissioners and the Larimer County Board of Health, designating May 2025 as Clean Air Month was read.

Action - Dr Birnbaum moved to approve the proclamation as written. Ms Weir seconded the motion.

Motion was unanimously approved.

The Board took a short recess for a picture.

UPDATES

Director's Update

The Director guided the Board through the Director's Update in the meeting packet, emphasizing the following key points:

- Rawhide Power Plant Expansion: PRPA submitted a 1041 permit application to the Larimer County Board of County Commissioners for the installation of five new gas aeroderivative turbines for electric power generation at the Rawhide Power Plant.
- Mobile Home Communities Water Quality: A panel met on April 22 to discuss water quality challenges in mobile home communities and gather input from affected residents.
- Leadership Program Graduates: Kori Wilford and Leigh Ann Frost successfully completed the Regional Institute for Health and Environmental Leadership (RIHEL) Advanced Leadership Training Program.

Board Member Updates

Ms Christy Bush recognized Mr Tom Gonzales for testifying to the House Finance Committee on SB 25-285, which passed both the House and Senate. The bill updates annual retail food license fees for retail food establishments to cover health inspection and food safety education costs.

Adjourn Meeting

Dr Birnbaum moved to adjourn the meeting, Ms Weir seconded.

Motion was unanimously approved.

The meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.