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Director Tom Gonzales, MPH

**Board of Health**

Tony J. Van Goor, MD, President  
Christy Bush, MHS, Vice President  
Bernard Birnbaum, MD  
Brian Delgrosso  
Heather Weir, MPH, RD

**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

### October 19, 2023

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

**Board of Health Members:** Dr Tony J. Van Goor, MD, President  
Dr Bernard Birnbaum, MD  
Ms Christy Bush, MHS, Vice President  
Mr Brian DelGrosso  
Ms Heather Weir, MPH, RD

**Executive Secretary:** Mr Tom Gonzales, MPH, Public Health Director

**Staff:** Commissioner John Kefalas  
Commissioner Jody Shadduck-McNally  
Commissioner Kristin Stephens  
Ms Andrea Clement-Johnson, MS, Deputy Public Health Director  
Mr Frank Haug, Assistant County Attorney II  
Ms Erika Cathey, MPH, Communicable Disease and Emergency Preparedness and Response Manager  
Mr Chris Manley, Environmental Health Director  
Mr John Voss, Accounting and Business Operations Manager  
Ms Kori Wilford, MPH, Communications and Technology Manager  
Ms Talia Hirsch, Strategic Planning & Health Equity Initiatives Program Supervisor  
Ms Olivia Kraus, Senior Department Specialist

**Call to Order** - The BoH President called the Larimer County Board of Health meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

**Public Comment** - No Public Comment was made.

### **Conversation with the Board of County Commissioners**

Discussion points:

- Support from the Board of County Commissioners for the 2024 - 2029 Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP).
- Ways to integrate the CHIP into the County's 5-Year Strategic Plan.
- The overlap and congruency in efforts among groups within the community to improve social connectedness in people, and the work to align these efforts.
- An update on LCDHE's successful efforts to move the agency to Public Health 3.0, serving as Health Strategists.
- Appreciation of the Commissioner's support for TAC-212.
- The uses and successes of the Health, Well-Being, and Resilience Dashboard.
- The opportunity to provide Department Heads with data to implement Health in All Policies.
- The qualitative data around "Blue Zones" and the pillars around living long, healthy lives and its alignment with the built environment.

### **Approval of September 21, 2023 Minutes**

**Action** - Mr DelGrosso moved to approve the minutes as written. Ms Weir seconded the motion.

**Motion was unanimously approved.**

### **Financial Report**

Discussion points:

- Revenues and expenditures are on target. There are no concerns regarding the finances at this time.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Strategic Plan Objectives Report**

Discussion points:

- It has been another successful year moving along our strategic plan priorities. Sixty-nine percent of the five year plan is complete with 22% of the activities in progress.
- The Board commended the staff on the success of moving forward the Strategic Plan priorities.



## **Public Health Director Goals Report**

Discussion points:

- Progress has been made on each of the goals.
- Shaping the Future of Public Health tour is going well with six out of the fourteen visits to elected and civic boards completed at this time.
- The value of operationalizing continuous quality improvement.

## **UPDATES**

### **Public Health Director's Update**

The Director guided the Board members to the Director's Update in the packet and highlighted the following:

- The distribution of COVID-19 rapid test kits for under-resourced individuals in the county.
- The strategic MMR vaccination plan and partnership with schools and childcare facilities.
- Tyler Jones, Communications Specialist, was recognized as a 2023 Honoree for the BizWest 40 Leaders Under 40.

### **Board Member Updates**

Dr Van Goor attended the Office of Aging Advisory Council meeting and there was interest in the Surgeon General's report on loneliness and its health impacts.

### **Adjourn Meeting**

Dr Birnbaum moved to adjourn the meeting.

**The meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.**