

## ANACONDA-DEER LODGE COUNTY

# BOARD OF PUBLIC HEALTH MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, April 21, 2016, 4:30 pm

Anaconda Community Center, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room

**Present:** Audrey Mattson, Katherine Basirico, John Drastal (via Skype) & Sandy Bivins (via phone), Karen Solberg, Jane Dierenfeldt (BOH Chairperson), Terry Vermeire.

**Excused/ Absent:** Karen Courtney, Cindy Reed (Health Officer), Ashley Philips  
**Guests:** Kenny Bell (AMDD Program Officer), Kate Coward (Director, Metcalf Senior Center)

- I. Call To Order – Jane Dierenfeldt called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM.
- II. Approval of March 18, 2016 minutes – John Drastal motioned to approve the minutes with minor changes, Margaret Osika seconded and the motion passed with all in favor.
- III. Department Reports:
  - A. Environmental Health Department – Karen Solberg briefly reviewed the report she had provided the board via email. Brief discussion was held regarding procedure for wells/septic in Opportunity, Lost Creek and Olsen Gulch. Karen S. let the board know that there will be a variance request before the board at the May 19<sup>th</sup> Meeting. She will be emailing the necessary documents for review. Karen S. also mentioned Clean Up Days - May 16-21<sup>st</sup>.
  - B. Jane D. welcomed Kate Coward and asked her to speak a little about herself. Kate C. introduced herself and gave a brief update of the Metcalf Senior Center and its future plans.
  - C. Kenny Bell – gave a brief history of the Pintler Local Advisory Council, its goals and future plans. Discussion of Ordinance 246 was also held. Language of Ordinance 246, as written, was not clear so the Commission voted to table the vote until the language is revised. Language will be revised before the ordinance is represented before the Commission.
  - D. Jane asked that the agenda item regarding the MT Environmental Health Association (MEHA) letter of support be discussed next. Karen S. explained the nature of the initiative. Discussion was held and Jane D. called for a motion. Motion to approve BOH writing a letter of support was made by John D., seconded by Audrey M and the motion carried with all in favor.

*Kellen Basso  
Jane Dierenfeldt*

- E. County / Commission Update. – Terry Vermeire gave a brief Commission update including: Debbie Robinson approved as Public Health Representative for the DUI Task Force, Health Department Professional Liability Insurance was approved, Alcohol Tax money was approved to go to Western Montana Mental Health again this year.
- F. Public Health Department – Katherine B. briefly discussed the department report. Also distributed were the latest Morbidity and Mortality report and well as the Influenza report.
  - Also distributed were the minutes from the Pintler Local Advisory Council meeting; ADLC DUI Task Force Board Meeting; and Best Beginnings Coalition meeting as well as, the Anaconda Community Interventions (ACI) Newsletter.
  - Clarification was asked regarding the WIC funding. Explanation was given that funding mentioned referred to additional funding requested and not the general WIC budget.
- G. Code Enforcement Officer – Karen Courtney emailed a report to the board.

IV. Old Business:

- BOH Election of Officers
  - o Ex-Officio member – Discussion was held regarding nominating Kate Coward and the BOH appointed Ex-Officio Member. Motion in favor was made by Audrey M and seconded by Sandy B. Motion carried with all in favor.
  - o Secretary – Discussion was held regarding Secretary position for the BOH. Katherine B. has been filling in as secretary and was considered for the position. Audrey M. voiced a strong concern regarding this as a conflict of interest. Jane stated that the current By-Laws do not forbid it and asked for a vote. Terry V. motioned to appoint Katherine B. as Secretary, John D. seconded. Motion carried with four in favor and one opposed.
- BOH Vacancies – Ex-Official member appointed by the Board of County Commissioners remains vacant.
- Strategic Planning Update: brief discussion was held.

V. New Business:

- New business items were discussed earlier in the meeting.

VI. Miscellaneous/Announcements, including educational offerings: - none

VII. Public Comment: - Kate C. thanked the board for inviting her and stated she was excited for the future good work to be done.

VIII. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn was made by Terry V., seconded by Audrey M and the motion carried with all in favor.

Next Meeting: Next Meeting, May 19, 2016, 4:30 pm, Third floor conference room Community Service Center.