

Minutes from the March 19, 2020 HEALTH BOARD Meeting

March 19, 2020

10:00 a.m.

Esmeralda County Courthouse

Commission Chambers

233 Crook Ave., 2nd Floor

Goldfield, Nevada

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL.**

Meeting called to order at 10:15am.

Jessica Villa – Fish Lake Valley Ambulance Coordinator

Julia Peek – Nevada Health & Human Services

Beth Ennis – County Health Nurse

Danielle Johnson – Goldfield Ambulance Coordinator

Deven Thackeray – Road Supervisor

Doug Kile – Fish Lake Valley Fire Chief

Mike Anderson – on phone (Goldfield Fire Chief)

Commissioner Winsor – on the phone

Commissioner Keyes

Commissioner Hipp

Sheriff Ken Elgan

Robert Glennen – District Attorney

LaCinda Elgan

Tammy Ritter

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT.** (Discussion only. Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under this agenda item. It must be placed on an agenda, at a later meeting for action.)
None.

3. ***ORGANIZATION OF BOARD:**

Sheriff Elgan stated that pursuant to NRS 439.280 through 439.360 each county in Nevada must have a county board of health and a county health officer; that consists of the county commissioners, the sheriff, and a county health officer. The Sheriff said he's reached out to several people about the county health officer he said Tony Philips is the Director of the health clinic over at Round Mountain Gold. He spoke with him this morning and he is more than willing to help us as our county health officer. He is looking for direction from the Nevada State Health and Human Services as to whether or not this is sufficient for the Esmeralda County Board of Health. Julia said yes and they just need the full contact information. Beth Innis also said she supports Tony fulfilling this role.

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Commissioner Keyes made the motion to make Tony Philips the Esmeralda County Health Officer. Commissioner Hipp seconded the motion. All in favor: Motion carried. D.A. Robert Glennen stated this would be a 2-year appointment.

4. ***DISCUSSION/DECISION:** Discuss/Decide and approve emergency plan of action for the CoVid-19 Pandemic.

Commissioner Keyes wanted to know if there was some sort of template we should follow; other than the CDC. Do we need to have an action plan implemented in the county? Julia asked if we have an emergency manager. She was told we do. She said she has plans from other states. She said we have to consider when we have a case. Sheriff Elgan gave Julia Mr. Philips' contact information.

Danielle Johnson stated that the Goldfield Fire and Ambulance departments do have a plan as to how we will address these issues going forward so she will formalize it and put it in writing. They had a meeting last night. She will make sure it gets to the other fire and ambulance departments.

Commissioner Keyes said they did appoint Danielle Johnson as our public information officer though the Sheriff.

The sheriff asked the D.A. if we had to do this by resolution or declaration. The D.A. said we have to make sure it is agendaized.

Commissioner Hipp stated that the non-essential should be going home. He said it was not a state order, and Danielle Johnson stated it was, in fact, the Governor's order. So, Commissioner Hipp said we should be taking it to the next level and sending people home.

Commissioner Keyes has some action plans – he will send to the Clerk.

Deven Thackeray said he would suggest we get plans from the smaller counties and see if those better fit our needs.

There is not a deadline, but for planning purposes, we can work with the county health officer and our EMS people as well.

Tony Philips is now on the call.

PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) is needed. Commissioner Winsor said maybe we can use equipment from mines if needed, like Albemarle.

Sheriff Elgan said to contact him and let him know what they need.

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Jessica Villa stated that N95 masks are needed.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT.** (Discussion only. Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under this agenda item. It must be placed on an agenda, at a later meeting for action.)

None.

6. ***DISCUSSION/DECISION:** Possible closure of meeting to discuss Employees

None.

7. ***ADJOURNMENT:**

Commissioner Hipp made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Keyes seconded the motion. All in favor: Motion carried.