



City of Columbia, Missouri

Meeting Minutes - Final

Board of Health



Thursday, July 8, 2021

5:30 PM

Regular

Department of Public
Health and Human
Services
Training Room 1
1005 W. Worley St.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Skala called the meeting to order at 5:32

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Szewczyk moved to approve the July 8, 2021 agenda. Phillips seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Present: 9 - Harry Feirman, Mahree Skala, Michael Szewczyk, Mary Gadbois, Leona Rubin, Kathleen McKinney, Lynelle Phillips, Jonathan Heidt and Rosann Geiser

Absent: 2 - Elizabeth Hussey and Laura Kingsley

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Attendance: Mahree Skala, Dr. Michael Szewczyk, Dr. Jonathan Heidt, Mary Gadbois, Harry Feirman, Lynelle Phillips, Kathleen McKinney, Stephanie Browning, Rosann Geiser, and Scott Clardy

Skala moved to approve the June 10, 2021 Meeting Minutes. Phillips seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Attachments: [Draft MeetingMinutes June 10](#)

IV. OLD BUSINESS

Rubin briefed the Board on the follow-up report on vaping among young people in Columbia and Boone County. The report includes current trends related to tobacco and vaping products, including the purchase options for national trends, as well as incidents of health effects, incidents from vaping.

Skala briefed the board on the executive summary. Skala proposed renaming the executive summary to Key Findings and Recommendations. There was discussion about the taxation of vaping products and how taxation can be used as deterrence. The board agreed that taxation should be recommended to the City Council.

Feirman motioned to approve the key findings and recommendations, seconded by Phillips. Motion passed unanimously.

V. NEW BUSINESS

Council requested that the Board of Health review animal ordinances related to owning pot-bellied pigs, with special emphasis on the maximum weight of the animals.

Molly Aust, the Animal Control Supervisor, briefed the Board of Health on her research on pot-bellied pigs and ordinances from other communities.

Clardy briefed the board on definitions and current city ordinances. Under the current ordinance, a pot-bellied pig is considered livestock. There was general discussion regarding the care of pot-bellied pigs, size issues, and nuisance management.

Following the discussion, Szewczyk made a motion that the Board of Health recommend to the City Council not modify the current existing animal ordinance to include pot-bellied pigs, but instead continue to use the variance process to address ownership of pot-bellied pigs. The motion was seconded by Gadbois, and passed unanimously.

VI. REPORTS

Director Browning briefed the board on COVID-19 on Columbia and Boone County. Browning stated that the number of cases is going up. A number of cases that are in Boone County hospitals are from outside the county and are from rural areas. Vaccinations in Boone County are up and the next step is going to be outreach to certain neighborhoods and communities. Vaccine ambassadors were trained to initiate conversations with others regarding the benefits of vaccines. Some ambassadors have volunteered to canvass door-to-door in advance of neighborhood vaccination clinics.

VII. GENERAL COMMENTS BY PUBLIC, MEMBERS AND STAFF

N/A

VIII. NEXT MEETING DATE

August 12, 2021

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Skala moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:51, seconded by Rubin. Passed unanimously.