

City of Columbia, Missouri

Meeting Minutes - Draft



Board of Health

Thursday, October 14, 2021 5:30 PM

Regular

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

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

July Draft Meeting Minutes

Attachments: Board of Health Draft Minutes 7-8-21

IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. Potential Follow-up to Vaping Report

Scott Clardy gave a presentation on the current COVID-19 trends. Including the rolling seven-day average in Missouri. Testing has also seen an increase which, in turn, has increased the positivity rate. Sewer shed surveillance has been able to predict outbreaks and has seen a decrease throughout the County. Hospitalizations have seen a decrease in Boone County. At the time of the meeting, there were no patients on a ventilator. The 3rd dose has been widely available since August. Boosters are only available for the Pfizer vaccine and only available to those who have waited six months after their second doses. Due to the Delta Variant, there has been an extension in funding to get organizations to continue to have contact tracers.

B. Pot-bellied pig follow-up

The Pot-bellied Pig Report was received by the City Council. They will continue the variance which has been previously used by the City Council for individual pot-bellied pig owners.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Potential Vaping Report follow-up

Members discussed the vaping report and who might receive it. It has been sent to the Columbia City Council, Boone County Commission, and Columbia Public Schools. Dr. Szewczyk discussed sending it to multiple places such as the University of Missouri, Boys and Girls Club, Big Brothers, and Big Sisters.

B. Drug Overdoses in Boone County

Clardy briefed the Board on the drug overdoses in Boone County. The Columbia Police Department has contacted PHHS with overdose statistics. There have been 22 overdoses since the beginning of the year. CPD believes there might be more, as these are only the ones reported. Clardy points to an increase in fentanyl which is highly addictive and more likely to cause overdose. Fentanyl has become abundant in recent years because it is so cheap. On October 19, an emergency meeting will be held at Hickman High School on how people are experiencing addictions. People struggling with substance use disorder and their families will be there to tell their stories. Curriculum at Columbia Public will be amended to educate students about how drugs can affect them. Narcan will be discussed, its proper usage, and current drug use in Boone County. Narcan, harm reduction kits, and fentanyl test strips are available at the PHHS and several other locations around Columbia.

VI. REPORTS

- VII. GENERAL COMMENTS BY PUBLIC, MEMBERS AND STAFF
- **VIII. NEXT MEETING DATE**
- IX. ADJOURNMENT