

Community Health Committee Meeting Minutes

April 23, 2025, 4:00 PM Sweet Home City Hall, 3225 Main Street Sweet Home, OR 97386

Mission Statement

The City of Sweet Home will work to build an economically strong community with an efficient and effective local government that will provide infrastructure and essential services to the citizens we serve. As efficient stewards of the valuable assets available, we will be responsive to the community while planning and preparing for the future.

Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM.

Roll Call

PRESENT

Chair Kelsey Ann Wray

Vice Chair Bob Dalton

Committee Member Larry Horton (4:06 PM)

Committee Member Wanda Jones

Committee Member Dick Knowles

Committee Member Shirley Schumacher (4:08 PM)

ABSENT

Committee Member Michael Grenz

STAFF

Cecily Hope Pretty, Deputy City Manager Adam Leisinger, Special Projects Manager Sean Morgan, Community Services Officer

Approval of Minutes

a) 2025-03-19 Community Health Committee Meeting Minutes

Committee Member Knowles moved to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2025 Community Health Committee meeting. Vice Chair Dalton seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: Wray, Dalton, Jones, Knowles

NAY: None

ABSENT: Grenz, Horton, Schumacher

Recognition of Visitors / Public Comment

There were no visitors to be recognized.

Old Business

a) Community Needs Letter

Chair Wray stated that she had been contacted by a member of the news media to discuss the need for warming and cooling shelters and the letters that the Committee distributed regarding community needs. She noted that there are many community resources that are not well-known by community members. She stated that she had received only one response to the letters and requested Committee feedback as to whether she should continue to pursue responses from the recipients.

Committee Member Horton entered at this time.

There was consensus to follow up with the letter recipients to try to get additional responses.

No action was required for this item.

b) Partner Presentations

Chair Wray asked of inviting additional community health partners to present their services. Discussion ensued regarding invitations to Linn County Mental Health, the Family Assistance and Resource Center (FAC), and other partners.

Vice Chair Dalton suggested providing the Committee's annual report and presentation to the Rotary Club.

Committee Member Horton suggested a discussion with local partners on food insecurity.

No action was required for this item.

c) Community Health Fair

Vice Chair Dalton stated he was currently reviewing the previous application and flyer. Deputy City Manager Pretty offered staff assistance with the flyer. Vice Chair Dalton stated that participant applications would be available soon. He stated that he was seeking volunteers to assist with setup for the event.

No action was required for this item.

Committee Business for the Good of the Order

Chair Wray asked that the Committee begin planning the health summit that they planned to host as part of their annual goals.

Committee Member Jones asked if the intent was to focus on a single topic. Chair Wray suggested a narrow focus on either community resources or a specific topic. Discussion ensued regarding potential topics for the summit.

Adjournment

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 4:37 PM.

ATTEST:	Chair
City Manager – Ex Officio City Recorder	