



# CITY OF SWEET HOME COMMUNITY HEALTH COMMITTEE MINUTES

February 22, 2021, 6:00 PM  
Sweet Home City Hall, 3225 Main Street  
Sweet Home, OR 97386

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## 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.

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## Call to Order

The City Council will hold a Community Health Committee meeting in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 3225 Main Street. In order to protect residents, staff, and elected officials due to the novel COVID-19 virus, the frequency and length of public meetings, including the City Council, boards and commissions, will be minimized. Non-urgent and non-essential City business with expected public feedback will be postponed whenever possible. The City of Sweet Home City Council is streaming the meeting via the Microsoft Teams platform and asks the public to consider this option. To view the meeting live visit [live.sweethomeor.gov](http://live.sweethomeor.gov). If you don't have access to the internet you can call in to 541-367-5128 and you'll be asked to choose option #1 to be logged in to the call. Meeting ID 144 730 891#

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The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

## Roll Call

### PRESENT

Councilor Lisa Gourley, Chair

Mayor Greg Mahler

Jim Gourley

James Page

Dr. Larry Horton

Bob Dalton

Brock Byers

Shirley Byrd

### STAFF

City Manager Ray Towry

Community Services Officer Sean Morgan

### MEDIA

Benny Wescott, The New Era

### Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the January 18, 2021 minutes (Gourley/Dalton). Motion passed with all in favor.

- a) 2021-01-18 Community Health Committee Minutes

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**Reports of Committees:**

Community Health Fair Committee

Bob Dalton reported that they are still investigating if the Community Health Fair is an option due to COVID-19 and with social distancing measures. A virtual fair may be a possibility with materials from IHN and other sources. Bob Dalton met with Trillium Family Services for additional resources.

Western University

Dr. Larry Horton reported he is continuing work on the mentoring program presentation to the committee for April 19th.

Homeless Action Committee

Dr. Larry Horton reported the number of homeless currently at the Nazarene Church seems to be dwindling, and there are around 14 people currently there. Pastor Bethany believes the entire camp will be emptied out prior to the March 31st deadline.

There was conversation of various transitional/temporary housing structure options. Brock Byers shared FARC plans for a portable shower and grant update.

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

None

**Adjournment**

Good of the Order:

James Page reported on an increase in opioid overdoses believed to be pandemic related. Educational events will be planned as COVID restrictions are lifted.

Bob Dalton discussed a need to educate people on services available to them locally from our regional partners. Feedback from the first few fairs reported that outside agencies weren't made to feel welcome. It is a culture that needs to be changed and has been changing.

With no further discussion or business the meeting adjourned.

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Chair – Councilor Gourley

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Date: