



Community Health Committee Meeting Minutes

September 25, 2024, 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 4:03 PM.

Roll Call

PRESENT

Chair Kelsey Ann Wray
Vice Chair Bob Dalton
Committee Member Larry Horton
Committee Member Dick Knowles

ABSENT

Committee Member Michael Grenz
Committee Member Shirley Schumacher

STAFF

Cecily Hope Pretty, Assistant City Manager Pro Tem
Adam Leisinger, Special Projects Manager

Assistant City Manager Pro Tem Pretty stated that Mayor Coleman, Council Liaison to the Committee, would not be in attendance.

Approval of Minutes

- a) 2024-06-26 Community Health Committee Meeting Minutes

Committee Member Knowles moved to approve the minutes of the June 26, 2024 Community Health Committee meeting. Vice Chair Dalton seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

Recognition of Visitors / Public Comment

There was no public comment to be heard.

Old Business

- a) Teen Mental Health

There was consensus to postpone the item until Mayor Coleman could be present.

- b) Health Fair Review

Vice Chair Dalton noted good collaboration between vendors and the attendance of new vendors this year. He stated that he received positive feedback from attendees and vendors. He noted the distribution of six cases of Narcan, which was a significant increase over the previous year. He stated that there was

a good number of sign-ups for substance abuse assistance and housing assistance. He noted the importance of making personal connections to encourage participation and use of health resources.

Chair Wray stated that she felt it was the most engaged vendors and resources had been since the inception of the Health Fair and noted that vendors were helping to connect community members to each other based on their needs.

New Business

- a) Committee Vacancies
- b) Attendance Procedures

Discussion ensued regarding the process to fill Committee vacancies and address absences. Chair Wray requested that staff contact members with multiple absences to determine if they intended to continue their involvement with the Committee. There was consensus to consider advance notice of absences as excused absences. Assistant City Manager Pro Tem Pretty stated that a City Council Work Session was planned for early 2025 during which Committee members could make suggestions to improve the Committee process.

Committee Business for the Good of the Order

Project & Partner Roundtable

Chair Wray asked if Linn County Mental Health would be able to give a future presentation. Committee Member Knowles replied that it was not yet finalized.

Vice Chair Dalton asked Committee Members to come prepared to discuss projects and propose potential events outside of the annual Health Fair.

Adjournment

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 4:39 PM.

Chair

ATTEST:

City Manager Pro Tem, Ex Officio City Recorder