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A meeting of the Carson City Board of Health was held during the regularly scheduled Carson City Board of Supervisors meeting on Thursday, September 15, 2011 in the Community Center Sierra Room, 851 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada.

PRESENT: Chairperson Susan Pintar
Vice Chairperson Robert Crowell
Member Karen Abowd
Member Shelly Aldean
Member Ken Furlong
Member John McKenna
Member Molly Walt

STAFF: Larry Werner, City Manager
Alan Glover, Clerk - Recorder
Marena Works, Health and Human Services Department Director
Randal Munn, Chief Deputy District Attorney
Kathleen King, Deputy Clerk / Recording Secretary

NOTE: A recording of these proceedings, the board's agenda materials, and any written comments or documentation provided to the recording secretary during the meeting are part of the public record. These materials are on file in the Clerk's Office, and available for review during regular business hours.

12. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL (9:32:47) - Chairperson Pintar called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m. Mr. Glover called the roll; a quorum was present, including Member Furlong.

13. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

13(A) POSSIBLE ACTION ON REPORT, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION TO STAFF REGARDING THE DIRECTOR'S REPORT ON CARSON CITY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT ("CCHHS") ACTIVITIES (9:33:27) - Chairperson Pintar introduced this item, and Health and Human Services Department Director Marena Works presented her report via the Active Strategy program, which was displayed in the meeting room. She announced the Annual Homeless Connect event, scheduled for Saturday, October 8th, provided background information with regard to the same, and reviewed the associated activities. She announced the Carson Animal Rescue Event, C.A.R.E. 2011, also scheduled for Saturday, October 8th, and reviewed the associated activities. She provided an update on the accreditation project. She advised that the next State Board of Health meeting is scheduled for October. Chairperson Pintar thanked Ms. Works for her report.

In response to a question, Ms. Works referred to the S.A.F.E. Food Handler certification manual, available via the Health and Human Services Department website, and advised that certification tests are generally scheduled for Tuesdays. She reviewed the process for scheduling an exam. Chairperson Pintar acknowledged that the certified S.A.F.E. Food Handler must be on the premises at all times.

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In response to a further question, Ms. Works advised that Carson-Tahoe Regional Medical Center is represented in the health consortium. Chairperson Pintar confirmed that a Carson-Tahoe Regional Medical Center representative has attended every meeting. She advised of consideration given to making the consortium more of an advisory committee to the Board of Health “because it has been very valuable as far as pulling together community concerns.”

Member Aldean thanked Ms. Works for her report. In response to a question, Chairperson Pintar advised that virtually the same flu vaccine is being produced this year so that it was easier to make in quantity earlier. H1N1 was a brand new strain and “so a lot of companies were rushing to make the vaccine and that’s why it wasn’t developed. This is anticipated to be a normal or less than normal year, but part of that is because people are getting used to getting a yearly flu vaccine now and it used to be much more sporadic. So we’re hoping that the normal actually gets lower and lower.”

Chairperson Pintar entertained a motion to accept the Ms. Works’ report. **Member Walt moved to accept the Director’s report and give direction to staff on CCHHS activities. Member Abowd seconded the motion.** Member Aldean noted the direction as “continue the work you are doing.” Chairperson Pintar called for a vote on the pending motion. **Motion carried 7-0.**

13(B) REPORT AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ACCEPT THE STAFF REPORT BY THE WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN (“WIC”) PROGRAM (9:56:01) - Chairperson Pintar introduced this item. Aida ? and Hazel Ruiz introduced themselves for the record, and reviewed the report, copies of which were provided to the board members and staff prior to the start of the meeting.

In response to a question, Ms. Ruiz advised that the average Carson City caseload is 424 participants. In response to a further question, she reviewed program eligibility criteria. She advised that legal status is not considered. Chairperson Pintar advised of having recently attended a National Association of Local Boards of Health Conference, where the Surgeon General made special mention of supporting breast feeding in the WIC Program. She noted this as an area of emphasis for local WIC Programs as well. “Nationally, breast feeding is not nearly as common as we would like it to be. ... From the WIC perspective, we are very glad of the Surgeon General’s support ...”

Chairperson Pintar encouraged at least one other member of the board to attend the National Association of Local Boards of Health Conference in Atlanta next year. She expressed appreciation over the Surgeon General’s mention of Carson City in consideration of the recent shooting incident. She reiterated that “it did hit the nation and our response, as a community, was very well regarded.” She commended Sheriff Furlong and Chief Giomi.

Chairperson Pintar entertained a motion. **Member Walt moved to accept the WIC presentation and give direction to staff to continue the great work on WIC activities. The motion was seconded and carried 7-0.**

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13(C) POSSIBLE ACTION TO CHANGE THE DATE OF THE DECEMBER 2011 BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING FROM DECEMBER 15 TO DECEMBER 1 (10:01:40) - Chairperson Pintar introduced this item, and reviewed the agenda materials. **Member Crowell moved to reschedule the next meeting of the Board of Health to December 1, 2011 in the Sierra Room. Member Walt seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.**

14. ACTION TO ADJOURN BOARD OF HEALTH (10:02:28) - Member Aldean moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:02 a.m. Member Abowd seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0. Mayor Crowell commended Dr. Pintar.

The Minutes of the September 15, 2011 Carson City Board of Health meeting are so approved this 1st day of December, 2011.

SUSAN PINTAR, Chair

ATTEST:

ALAN GLOVER, Clerk - Recorder