

SWEET HOME CITY COUNCIL  
COMMUNITY HEALTH COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
September 16, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Sweet Home City Hall.

Present: Dick Knowles, Councilor Gourley, Jim Gourley, Bob Dalton, Mayor Mahler, Ray Towry, Jeff Lynn, Christine Walker (SHSD), James Page (Samaritan Project Coordinator), Georgette Lugo (Linn/Benton County Community Health Center) Kate Hall (Council of Governments), Rhonda Green

**Approval of Minutes June 17, 2019: (Gourley/Mahler) as amended.**

**Committee Reports:**

Health Fair Committee: Bob Dalton reported on the Health Fair held in August. The weather and set up went well. There were 48 tables and 43 vendors - attendance was high. 45 participants took part in the fitness walk/run. There were no dental services available this year, but sports physicals were available. Discussion ensued on additions or changes to the event. It was suggested a larger venue was needed and additional signage from vendor would be a benefit to the public.

Western University Project: No report since Dr. Horton was not in attendance.

Hero Banner Project: Jim Gourley reported that 3 more banners have been ordered and 16 or so are in progress.

Community Resources Committee: This subcommittee is in need of a new chair, as Dr. Wolthuis is no longer able.

Dick Knowles reported he has worked on portable showers. SHSD allows showers at the community pool when appropriate. It was reported there were 285 homeless students in the 2018-2019 school year. (Kate Hall added that some have homes but no water or electricity.)

**New Business:**

Goals: Discussion under goals included becoming a more bikeable community, adding uniform bike racks throughout town, avoiding ODOT ROW.

As a goal to elevate education in the community, discussion revolved around using the medical students for outreach in such topics such as Diabetes Education.

**Good of the Order:**

Sharp Drop Containers are not available but may be added thru a grant from Samaritan at a cost totaling +/- \$2,000.

James Page reported there are services available specific to addiction in Lebanon. Narcan is available. 1 doctor is available at Samaritan and 2 doctors are available at Linn/Benton Community Health.

Georgette Lugo reported on an Open House from 2pm till 6pm on September 25<sup>th</sup> at Linn/Benton County Health office.

Kate Hall reported on an Adult Response Team and Multi-Disciplinary Team at the Linn County District Attorney's office on Thursdays at 8am.

Jeff Lynn requested a resource list and Bob Dalton suggested a community meeting to introduce resources.

Dick Knowles would like contacts to help bring faith-based organizations together.

Rhonda Green talked about the social detriments to health. Training for Trauma Informed Care is taking place with the SHSD. Other discussion included a Street Outreach Response Team and Housing funds from the Community Services Consortium.

**Meeting adjourned.**

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:25pm. Next meeting October 21, 2019.

The foregoing is a true copy of the proceedings of the City Council Community Health Committee Meeting on September 16, 2019.



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Vice Chair – Mayor Greg Mahler

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