SWEET HOME CITY COUNCIL COMMUNITY HEALTH COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES October 21, 2019

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

Present: Dr.: Henry B. Wolthuis, Jim Gourley, Bob Dalton, Mayor Mahler, Ray Towry, Kristi Walker, Matt Coleman, Jeff Lynn, Shirley Byrd, Blue Valentine, Jeff Blackford, Dick Knowles

Approval of Minutes September 16, 2019: (Gourley/Knowles) as amended.

Committee Reports:

Health Fair Committee: No Report

<u>Western University Project:</u> No report since Dr. Horton was not in attendance, Jim Gourley stated he was aware they are working with the Sweet Home School District.

<u>Hero Banner Project</u>: Jim Gourley reported that 3 more banners are up and a group of volunteers will clean and store the banners.

<u>Community Resources Committee</u>: Dr. Wolthuis and Dick Knowles recounted their past efforts. Wolthuis asked about resurrecting efforts for a community shower. Dr. Wolthuis also agreed to continue as part of the subcommittee.

<u>Community Strategic Discussion:</u> City Manager Ray_Towry and Police Chief Jeff Lynn introduced their Downtown Livability Economic Development Mind Map and explained how the issues facing the Community Health Committee were intertwined with Economic Development efforts.

Jeff Blackford discussed challenges CHANCE is facing regarding his construction project in Albany and being more present in Sweet Home. Bob Dalton asked if CHANCE had considered advertising for employees in New Era.

New Business:

<u>Goals</u>: Bob Dalton. Have committee get more organized around Council goals. Dalton introduced a form to help track action items and responsibility. There was discussion about how to implement the form into the group's processes.

A Resource Center was discussed as an option in Sweet Home, a place where people could come for resources. Chief Lynn noted discussions with Eugene's Chief and their concern that creating the resource center has maybe attracted more homeless to the community, a "chicken or the egg" scenario.

Matt Coleman, pastor at Hillside Fellowship and Chair of One Sweet Home, mentioned efforts in Sanger, CA to clean up their community and they could be an additional model.

Towry Discussed needing to be strategic with limited resources, that finding models with proven success would be studied and implemented when appropriate by the City.

Good of the Order:

Meeting adjourned.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:28pm. Next meeting November 18, 2019.

The foregoing is a true copy of the proceedings of the City Council Community Health Committee Meeting on October 21, 2019.

Chair - Councilor Gourley