

**JEFFERSON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT**  
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**January 20, 2022**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Diehl called the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Jefferson County Health Department to order at 3:15 PM .

**ROLL CALL**

Dennis Diehl, Chairman - Present  
Dr. Amber Henry, Vice-Chairman – Present  
James Prater, Secretary-Treasurer – Excused  
Tim Pigg, Member – Present  
Susan (Suzy) Davis, Member – Present

**OTHERS ATTENDING**

- Kelley Vollmar, Executive Director
- Steve Sikes, Deputy Director Operations
- Jennifer Pinkley, Deputy Director Admin.
- Christi Coleman, Legal Counsel

Others in attendance:

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mr. Pigg made a motion to approve the agenda. Dr. Henry seconded. Hearing no discussion, the motion carried. Chairman Diehl announced the motion had passed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Act on Recommendations to Renew JCHC Communicable Disease Order Until Next Regular Meeting

Chairman Diehl stated that the meeting today is only to renew the JCHC Communicable Disease Order until the next regular Board meeting, Ms. Coleman clarified that the order is written to last no more than 30 days. This order is the same as the one passed in December expect the effective date will read today and it will expire not more than 30 days from January 20, 2022.

Chairman Diehl made a motion to renew the Boards Communicable Disease Order initially passed December 22, 2021 and utilize same per the terms of the order 22-01-

20-01. Dr. Henry seconded. Ms. Davis called point of order stating the Chairman does not make motions, only to guide the meeting and ask for motions. Ms. Coleman clarified that the Chairman is permitted to make the motion himself. Ms. Davis asked, "Why when there's a quorum present, why would he need to do that?" Ms. Coleman clarified because he is a voting member of the board, and he is allowed to make a motion just like any other member of the board. Ms. Davis replied, "OK well then, I'll withdraw my complaint."

Mr. Pigg asked if the State of Missouri solved any of the things in reference to this order because this action was necessary because of something a politician did to summarily attempt to strip whatever we are supposed to be doing according to statutes. Mr. Pigg asked where the State was on this issue, referencing the Cole County case. Ms. Coleman replied that the appeal was filed which, for parties, automatically stays enforcement of the judgment; however, the attorney general on behalf of the state filed an objection to that stating that because we were not a party at the preceding below we could not take advantage of the automatic stay. We also applied for transfer to the Missouri Supreme Court and have asked the Missouri Supreme Court to issue a stay; however, it has not ruled on that yet, which is why the Board needs to consider renewal of our own order at this point. Mr. Pigg clarified that this is specifically reinforcing the previous order and previous rules that have been in place for all health departments with the exception of COVID.

Ms. Davis stated "Number one, I I'm not sure that what Christi Coleman is telling us is a credible advice at this point. I believe that personally that the AG's office is a high office to be respected and revered, and we should do what they are asking us to do. I believe that Judge Green is a lot more educated in experience than our attorney here in our health department and has a lot more experience than any one of us. If they have said that there should be no orders regarding mask and mitigations of the health department then we should not be doing that. We should also be adhering to what our attorney general has asked us to do - he's asked us to have a meeting in a larger place, he's asked us to have a meeting at a reasonable time - at 6:00 PM or later whatever is reasonable for the public to come - we still have not listened to him on any of the point he's asked us to."

Chairman Diehl called the motion to question, the motion carried. Mr. Diehl asked multiple times for Ms. Davis to vote, but she continued to speak out of order and refused to vote. The remaining members did cast votes, and Chairman Diehl announced the motion had passed.

#### **ADJOURN**

Mr. Pigg motioned to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Henry seconded. Motion carried and Chairman Diehl announced the motion had passed. Meeting adjourned at 3:27 PM.

  
Secretary-Treasurer