

**CARSON CITY BOARD OF HEALTH**  
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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, June 1, 2023, in the Community Center Robert “Bob” Crowell Boardroom, 851 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada.

**PRESENT:**

Chairperson Colleen Lyons  
Member Lori Bagwell  
Member Curtis Horton  
Member Lisa Schuette  
Member Maurice White

**STAFF:**

Nancy Paulson, City Manager  
Scott Hoen, Clerk-Recorder  
Dan Yu, Assistant District Attorney  
Tamar Warren, Senior Deputy Clerk

**NOTE:** A recording of these proceedings, the board’s agenda materials, and any written comments or documentation provided to the Clerk 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.

**17. CALL TO ORDER - BOARD OF HEALTH**

(10:04:51) – Chairperson Lyons called the meeting to order.

**18. ROLL CALL**

(10:04:57) – Mr. Hoen called roll and noted the presence of a quorum.

**19. PUBLIC COMMENT**

(10:05:25) – Chairperson Lyons entertained public comments; however, none were forthcoming.

**20. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MARCH 2, 2023**

(10:05:33) – Chairperson Lyons introduced the item and entertained comments, corrections, and/or a motion. Member Schuette noted a date correction which has been corrected. Chair Lyons entertained a motion.

**(10:06:03) – Member Schuette moved to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2023 Board of Health meeting as corrected. The motion was seconded by Member White and carried 5-0-0.**

**21. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

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**21.A. FOR DISCUSSION ONLY: DISCUSSION AND PRESENTATION ON THE "2023 NEVADA COUNTY HEALTH RANKINGS AND ROADMAPS," ALONG WITH STRATEGIES TO IMPROVE COMMUNITY HEALTH, BY JOHN PACKHAM, PH.D., ASSOCIATE DEAN FOR THE OFFICE OF STATEWIDE INITIATIVES, UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, SCHOOL OF MEDICINE.**

(10:06:24) – Chairperson Lyons introduced the item. Carson City Health and Human Services (CCHS) Director Nicki Aaker introduced John Packham, Ph.D., Associate Dean, Office of Statewide Initiatives at the University of Nevada, Reno School of Medicine, and Policy Director, Nevada Public Health Association. Dr. Packham reviewed a PowerPoint presentation titled *2023 Nevada County Health Rankings and Roadmaps*, incorporated into the record, and offered to return each year to provide updates to his presentation. He also explained the reasons for Carson City’s change in Nevada Health Outcomes Rankings (from 10 overall in 2022 to 13 overall in 2023) in three categories: Premature Death, Low Birthweight, and Life Expectancy. Dr. Packham also discussed the contributing health factors such as smoking, obesity, uninsured individuals, the population to primary care physician ratio, child poverty, single-parent households, and housing problems. Discussion ensued regarding child poverty (and other factors) and Chairperson Lyons believed that available resources are not reaching the community. Dr. Packham noted that immunization numbers have decreased as well. Ms. Aaker stated that CCHHS was looking into a Communications Specialist position. There were no public comments. This item was not agendized for action.

**21.B. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE PROPOSED ACCEPTANCE OF A REPORT OF THE CARSON CITY HEALTH OFFICER.**

(10:42:58) – Chairperson Lyons introduced the item and presented the *Carson City Health Officer Report*, dated May 10, 2023, which is incorporated into the record. She also reviewed a supplemental document, also incorporated into the record, titled *General Information for the Carson City Board of Health from Dr. Lyons, Carson City Health Officer, dated June 1, 2023*. She stressed the importance of influenza vaccines to avoid hospitalizations which had increased this year and expressed concern that nicotine products were gaining popularity among younger users. Chairperson Lyons also responded to clarifying questions by the Board. There were no public comments; therefore, she entertained a motion.

**(10:54:10) – Member Schuette moved to accept the report as presented. Member White seconded the motion.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED (5-0-0)</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Member Schuette
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Member White
<b>AYES:</b>	Members Bagwell, Horton, Schuette, White, and Chairperson Lyons
<b>NAYS:</b>	None
<b>ABSTENTIONS:</b>	None
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Member Furlong and Vice Chair Giomi

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**21.C. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING A PROPOSED ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT OF THE CARSON CITY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ("CCHHS") DIRECTOR, NICKI AAKER.**

(10:54:32) – Chairperson Lyons introduced the item. Ms. Aaker acknowledged the presence of the CCHHS leadership staff and the epidemiologists in the room and reviewed the Carson City Health and Human Services Director’s Report, which is incorporated into the record. She highlighted issues such as workforce and public health challenges and introduced the newly hired staff members that would remedy the situation. Ms. Aaker also addressed the youth vaping prevention funding which she believed was in jeopardy despite an increase in dependence since the frequency of electronic vapor product use has increased to almost 30 percent. Member Bagwell wished to see included in the survey whether teen users of vaping products had family members who vaped as well. Ms. Aaker explained that the City’s tobacco prevention program is a collaborative effort with other counties and the State. There were no public comments; therefore, Chairperson Lyons entertained a motion.

**(11:31:10) – Member Schuette moved to accept the Director’s report as presented. Member Bagwell seconded the motion.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED (5-0-0)</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Member Schuette
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Member Bagwell
<b>AYES:</b>	Members Bagwell, Horton, Schuette, White, and Chairperson Lyons
<b>NAYS:</b>	None
<b>ABSTENTIONS:</b>	None
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Member Furlong and Vice Chair Giomi

**21.D FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING A PROPOSED ACCEPTANCE OF THE 2022 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CARSON CITY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (“CCHHS”).**

(11:31:24) – Chairperson Lyons introduced the item. Ms. Aaker presented the 2022 CCHHS Annual Report which is incorporated into the record. She highlighted the activities and challenges of every CCHS division such as Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (including adolescent health and tobacco prevention), Clinical Services (including family planning, STD prevention, and immunization), Environmental Health (including food safety inspections), Epidemiology, Human Services, and Public Health Preparedness. Discussion ensued regarding tobacco and vaping product use. Member Schuette recommended discussing the financial implications of smoking/vaping with children and Member Bagwell recommended a “contract” for a reward such as an activity in lieu of tobacco products. Chairperson Lyons suggested working with the local Boys and Girls Club. CCHHS Deputy Director Jeanne Freeman explained that the vaccine distribution model used in Carson City has been adopted by many Nevada counties for COVID-19 response and flu vaccinations, adding that the design may be used for other emergencies as well. She highlighted a new patient transport methodology which included long-term care patients wearing pink vests with pockets containing patient information (used to transport facility residents during the Caldor Fire). Chairperson Lyons entertained public comments and when none were forthcoming, a motion.

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(12:02:39) – Member Bagwell moved to accept the report as presented. Member Schuette seconded the motion.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED (5-0-0)</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Member Bagwell
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Member Schuette
<b>AYES:</b>	Members Bagwell, Horton, Schuette, White, and Chairperson Lyons
<b>NAYS:</b>	None
<b>ABSTENTIONS:</b>	None
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Member Furlong and Vice Chair Giomi

**22. PUBLIC COMMENT**

(12:02:55) – Chairperson Lyons entertained final public comments; however, none were forthcoming.

**23. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: TO ADJOURN AS THE BOARD OF HEALTH**

(12:03:50) – Chairperson Lyons adjourned the Board of Health meeting at 12:03 p.m.

The Minutes of the June 1, 2023, Carson City Board of Health meeting are so approved on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023.

  
DR. COLLEEN LYONS, Chair

ATTEST:

  
SCOTT HOEN, Clerk-Recorder