

SALT LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
August 7, 2025 – 7:30 AM
County Government Center, N2-800
Minutes

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BOARD MEMBERS IN-PERSON:

Dr. Bill Cosgrove	Carol Osborn
Kalina Duncan	Rusty Vetter
Dan Eckersley	Mayor Karen Lang
Dr. Joe Mirci	Michele Corigliano
Steve Chambers	

BOARD MEMBERS ONLINE

Councilmember Suzanne Harrison	Jake Fitisemanu
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EXCUSED/ABSENT:

Jenny Mayer-Glenn	Scott Brown
Blake Nemelka	Adonis Hardeman

GUESTS/STAFF IN-PERSON:

Stacia Sidlow, Deputy Dist. Atty.	Kami Peterson, EDO
Jeanette Montano, EDO	Jeff Smart, CH
Stephanie Hart, EDO	Amelia Self, PH
Nicholas Rupp, EDO	Andrew Driggs, EDO
Hayley Shaffer, EH	Jessica Antezano, EH
Cherre Anderson, AIRC	

GUESTS/STAFF ONLINE:

Erin Litvack, Mayor's Office	Heather Edwards, EDO
Kelly Colopy, Human Services	

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:30 AM by Dan Eckersley, Chair of the Salt Lake County Board of Health.

CITIZEN PUBLIC COMMENT:

Comments are limited to three minutes unless otherwise approved by the Salt Lake County Board of Health. There were no public comments.

MINUTES:

Dan Eckersley, Chair, asked if there was a motion to approve the minutes from the June 5, 2025, Board of Health meeting. *A motion was made by Dr. Bill Cosgrove, seconded by Dr. Joe Mirci, to approve*

the minutes from the June 5, 2025, Board of Health meeting. The motion passed unanimously, indicating that all board members present voted “Aye.”

CHAIR’S REPORT:

Dan Eckersley, Chair, welcomed Mayor Karen Lang and Dr. Carol Osborn. He reminded members to respond to the Doodle poll for the upcoming Meet & Greet. Dan informed the Board about the National Association of Local Boards of Health conference in Savannah, Georgia, noting that three board members have expressed interest in attending and that the budget allows for three participants. He asked members to let Stephanie know if anyone else is interested in attending.

DIRECTOR’S REPORT:

Ron Lund, Division Director, gave the Director’s Report.

Department Activity & Outreach

Ron reported that summer is a particularly busy time for the department, with multiple infectious disease investigations, mass gatherings, and community outreach efforts. He highlighted a successful addiction resource fair, which drew about 80 attendees, involved 30 agencies, and resulted in 34 vaccinations and distribution of naloxone kits.

Draper Water Incident

Ron described the cross-connection issue in Draper, where secondary water entered the public drinking water system. The multi-agency response required inspections of over 100 establishments, including pools and restaurants. Staff worked with operators to stay open safely when possible. An after-action review with the State, Draper City, and others has already led to improvements in response protocols.

Infectious Disease Updates

Three mosquito pools in Salt Lake County tested positive for West Nile virus— in downtown Salt Lake and in Sugarhouse—but no human cases have been identified. Ron also noted a harmful algal bloom in the Jordan River and at Black Ridge Reservoir in Herriman, which has prompted public closures and notifications.

Community & Program Trends

Ron reported declines in both WIC participation and vaccines with the Vaccines For Children (VFC) program. The decrease in the VFC program is most notable among Hispanic clients, and staff are monitoring this trend closely.

Budget Preparation

Ron shared that extensive budget work is underway with division supervisors, the Executive Director’s office, and fiscal management staff. Budgets are under review by Andrew Driggs and will be presented at next month’s Board meeting.

Employee Engagement & Recognition

The department’s annual employee engagement survey was distributed last week to gather feedback on burnout, stress, and communication. Ron also highlighted the AwardCo peer recognition program, now in its ninth month, which continues to show high participation and provides staff with multiple options for recognition and incentives.

Board of Health SharePoint Site

Stephanie Hart, Executive Assistant, provided a preview of the new Board of Health SharePoint site that members will soon be able to access. The site will include Board goals and priorities, links to the public website and posted documents, member terms and contact information, and an internal outreach calendar. It will also feature opportunities for participation such as staff ride-alongs, which members can sign up for through an online form. In addition, the department plans to highlight board members in its internal news feed, sharing brief profiles and photos. Stephanie noted that permissions are still being finalized before full access is granted.

CLINICAL SERVICES INTERVIEW:

Kami Peterson, Division Director, gave an overview of Salt Lake County Health Department's Clinical Services Division. She gave a PowerPoint presentation. Her slides included:

- Clinical Services
- Overview
- Funding
- WIC
- WIC Online
- Infectious Disease
- Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) Clinic
- STI Outreach
- Home Visiting
- Evidence-Based Home Visiting
- Parents as Teachers 2024 Fidelity Score
- Immunizations
- Immunizations, Services Provided
- Client Stories
- Contact Information

For a copy of the presented material, please see documentation in the Board of Health meeting folder.

MPS ATTESTATION:

Ron Lund, Division Director, reviewed the information for the State Minimum Performance Standards attestation and asked the Board to attest that the Department meets the State Minimum Performance Standards. *A motion was made by Michele Corigliano, seconded by Dr. Bill Cosgrove, to attest that the Department meets the State Minimum Performance Standards.* The motion passed unanimously, indicating that all board members present voted "Aye."

For a copy of the State Minimum Performance Standards attestation, please see documentation in the Board of Health meeting folder.

HHW TONNAGE FEE:

Ron Lund, Division Director and Hayley Shaffer, Environmental Health Supervisor, explained the proposed fee change. The proposal is to increase tonnage fees by 25% for all waste streams. They gave a PowerPoint presentation. Their slides included:

- Tonnage Fee Increase 2026
- Agenda
- The need for increasing tonnage fees
- Who pays tonnage fees?
- No 2026 Fee Increase
- Proposed Increase
- Proposal: increase tonnage fees by 25% for all waste streams
- Other revenue that supports the HHW program
- Impact to HHW Fund with Proposed 25% Fee Increase in 2026
- Continued
- Next increase request anticipated in 2029
- Contact Information

A motion was made by Councilmember Suzanne Harrison, seconded by Kalina Duncan, to approve the fee increase and move forward to the revenue committee for consideration. The motion passed unanimously, indicating that all board members present voted “Aye.”

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INFECTIOUS DISEASE PREPAREDNESS:

Amelia Self, Division Director, gave an overview of Salt Lake County Health Department’s infectious disease preparedness efforts. She gave a PowerPoint presentation. Her slides included:

- Infectious Disease Preparedness
- 2023 SLCo Measles Outbreak
- 2024 US Measles Cases
- Preparedness Efforts
- Action Items
- Incident Command Structure
- Utah Cases
- MMR Administrations and Inventory

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Dan Eckersley, Chair, adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:00 AM.