

**BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
MINUTES
March 12, 2020 AT 6:00 pm
Emergency meeting at the Carnegie Building**

Present: Liz Wheeler (via phone), Jo Pankonin, David Meyer, Teresa Miller, Jonathon Ott

Absent:

Staff Present: Jill Franken, Alicia Collura, Stacy Kooistra

Call to order: The meeting was called to order by Liz Wheeler.

New Business:

City attorney Stacy Kooistra provided a legal briefing relative to the purpose of the Board of Health (BOH) action in support of further City Council ordinance action for COVID-19.

Jill Franken provided a status update on COVID-19 including 3 positive cases in Minnehaha county.

Because of the need to slow the spread of COVID-19, the BOH is being asked to support a set of actions to be taken within the city, including:

- Gatherings in the following City venues shall be limited to 250 people or less: Denny Sanford PREMIER Center, Sioux Falls Convention Center, Sioux Falls Arena, Washington Pavilion, the Visual Arts Museum and Orpheum Theater.
- The Washington Pavilion Science Center and Midco Aquatic Center shall be closed.
- The Parks and Recreation Department and Siouxland Libraries shall cancel all events.
- The Sioux Falls community centers may remain open for after-school activities until 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, but shall otherwise be closed.
- Private organizations shall be encouraged to similarly limit the size of their gatherings and cancel events as appropriate.
- The Public Health Director is hereby authorized to recommend to the Mayor and City Council such other actions and regulations as deemed advisable to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Open discussion: Board member David Meyer voiced strong concern regarding school not being included in the recommendations. CAO Kooistra consulted on matters of jurisdiction. Director Franken assured BOH that City is in good communication with SFSD and they are carefully considering steps forward.

Further Q and A occurred.

No further discussion

A motion was made to accept the recommendations made by the Public Health Director, supported by Jo, seconded by Teresa, motion carries.

Public Input:

None at this time.

With there being no new business, a motion to adjourn was supported by Teresa and seconded by David, Motion carried.

