

## **Board of Health: Agenda**

A Board of Health meeting will be held **Wednesday April 22, 2026, at 12:00 PM**  
in the **THIRD FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM C** at **101 W. 9<sup>th</sup> St.**  
Lunch for Board Members will be served at 11:30 AM.

- A. 12:00 PM – Call to Order and Approval / Changes to Agenda (**Action Required**)
- B. 12:01 PM – Approval of Board of Health Meeting Minutes held March 25, 2026 (**Action Required**)
- C. 12:03 PM – Public Forum
- D. 12:05 PM – Board of Health Discussion and Updates
- E. 12:10 PM – CTC Safe Ride Program Presentation
- F. 12:25 PM – Budget and Finance
  - Monthly Financial Report – March 2026 (**Action Required**)
  - Contracts (**Action Required**)
- G. 12:35 PM – Director’s Report
  - Legislative Updates
  - General Updates

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# **Pueblo Board of Health Meeting Minutes**

## **March 25, 2026**

The Pueblo Board of Health meeting was held at the Pueblo Department of Public Health and Environment (PDPHE) building at 101 W 9<sup>th</sup> St.

### **Board Members Present:**

Donald Moore, Board President  
Zsuzsa Glasscock, Board Vice President  
Abel M. Chavez, Board Member  
Heather Hankins, Board Member  
Zolanye McCulley-Bachicha, Board Member

### **Legal Counsel:**

Marci Day, Assistant County Attorney

### **Administrative Staff Present:**

Randy Evetts, Public Health Director  
Katie Davis, Deputy Director  
Chad Wolgram, Environmental Health (EH) Director  
Shylo Dennison, Community Engagement, Prevention, and Response (CEPR) Director  
Maria Telfer, Community Health Services (CHS) Director  
Jonathan Hontz, Administrative Assistant

### **Other Staff Members Present:**

Trysten Garcia, Public Information Officer  
Jessica Apodaca, Program Manager  
Destiny Maes, Program Manager

### **Other Guests:**

Seth Clayton, Pueblo Water  
Joe Cervi, Pueblo Water

### **Call to Order:**

Donald Moore, Board President, called the meeting to order at 12:01 PM.

### **Approval of Agenda**

**MOVED** by Heather Hankins, seconded by Zolanye McCulley-Bachicha, to approve the March 25, 2026 Board of Health meeting agenda, as presented.

***MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY***

### **Approval of Minutes**

Donald Moore asked the Board for revisions to the minutes. There were none.

**MOVED** by Abel Chavez, seconded by Heather Hankins, to approve the February 25, 2026 BOH meeting minutes as submitted.

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## **Public Forum**

There were no requests for public comment.

## **Board of Health Discussion and Updates**

- Abel Chavez mentioned changes for mental healthcare day treatment for schools. The schools will be meeting with a possible vendor this week. Funding for treatment options has changed and options are being explored, particularly addressing mental health among the student population.

## **Public Health Champion Announcement and Recognition**

The Public Health Champion for 2026 was announced as Pueblo Water, and Director Evetts gave an overview of how Pueblo Water was formed, what work it performs, and how it has positively impacted the public health of the region. Seth Clayton and Joe Cervi were present to receive the award, and a plaque was presented to them by Director Evetts.

Abel Chavez commented that there may be some benefit to separating the Public Health Champion award into individual and organizational levels, and that this should be explored further.

## **Budget and Finance**

### **Monthly Financial Reports**

Director Evetts presented financial reports for February 2026. The YTD statement of activities reflects a positive balance of \$287,834.38. This number primarily reflects the billing of Environmental Health food licenses, which occurs at the beginning of the year. The total variance to the budget is positive 29.73%, representing 8.76% less expenses and 4.08% less revenues than projected. The balance sheet reflects an Unassigned Fund Balance of \$1,739,995.82, an increase of \$217,391.67 over February 2025.

Abel Chavez mentioned the dismissal of the Mesa County Public Health Director for misuse of credit cards for travel. He asked Director Evetts to explain what safeguards are used at PDPHE. Director Evetts stated his travel is minimal and purchase orders are utilized for internal controls. The auditor also reviews travel expenses. He suggested having a brief presentation about the checks and balances in place at a future Board meeting.

**MOVED** by Heather Hankins, seconded by Zsuzsa Glasscock, to accept the February 2026 financial reports as presented.

***MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY***

## Director's Report and Legislative Updates

- Randy Evetts and Marci Day gave an update on the Riverstone Academy:
  - Riverstone Academy has been granted a Special Use Permit, which satisfies County Zoning approval. The Permit does not approve occupancy only the permitted use.
  - Building permits now need to be submitted and approved to address the other concerns such as fire and public health.
- Deputy Director Davis gave a summary of the current legislative session events affecting PDPHE:
  - Not many advancements; the legislative session is over halfway complete, with over 500 bills introduced.
  - March budget forecasts show between \$1B and \$1.5B shortfall.
  - Cottage Food Bill has been approved by committee and is now sitting in Appropriations because it has a fiscal note.
  - Local Public Health Agencies will see a \$1.5M reduction in funds, a slight improvement over previous projections.
  - Currently watching a bill allowing THC (up to 10%) beverages to be produced and sold.
- Director Evetts commented that PDPHE sent a letter opposing the Cottage Foods Act to state representatives and received a reply from Senator Hinrichsen.
- PDPHE leadership provided an orientation for two new City Council members (Ruiz-Gomez and Danti). An orientation for Councilor Boston is scheduled for the first week of April.
- Emergency Preparedness: ESF-8 activation occurred with the fatal crash on I-25 last month a tanker truck rollover on I-25, and the EPR team provided support to Las Animas/Huerfano Public Health during the recent water system failure in Walsenburg. Boil water orders are still in place as chlorination levels are brought into range.
  - Zolanye McCulley-Bachicha thanked PDPHE for the response to the Walsenburg water situation
- Measles: CO has 12 confirmed cases, mostly in the Denver metro area; 11 cases were unvaccinated and the other only had one dose of vaccine; Pueblo County has 93.2% of youth ages 1-18 with one dose, and 74% have had two doses of measles vaccine. Director Evetts noted that there is a concern for those in the age group of 4-6, where only 62.9% have received the two recommended doses.
  - Heather Hankins asked if there is still a requirement that children are vaccinated before being admitted to school. Maria Telfer answered that it is still a requirement, but that there are exemptions that parents can take to circumvent the requirement.
- Public Health Infrastructure Grant cancellation: court injunction is in place preventing the federal government from terminating funding. Current funding is

- approved through 2027. The federal government may still appeal the injunction.
- Director Evetts reminded the Board that annual Board of Health Member training must be completed by the end of December, 2026.

Donald Moore moved the meeting into Executive Session at 12:45 PM.

### **Executive Session**

The Board moved into Executive Session for the following reasons:

For discussion of a personnel matter under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(f) and not involving: any specific employees who have requested discussion of the matter in open session; any member of the Board; the appointment of any person to fill an office of the Board; or personnel policies that do not require the discussion of matters personal to particular employees.

Receiving legal advice on specific legal questions under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(b) and the specific legal issues are regarding legal advice relating to potential litigation.

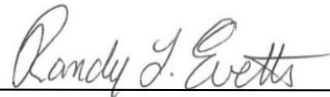
The Board returned to regular session at 1:56 PM and President Moore adjourned the meeting.

### **Next BOH Meeting**

Wednesday, April 22, 2026, at 12:00 PM.



Donald Moore, Board of Health President



Randy Evetts, MPA, Public Health Director

Submitted by Jonathan Hontz  
Administrative Assistant