SOUTHEAST UTAH HEALTH DEPARTMENT (SEUHD)

BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

Date May 25, 2026 - 5:00 p.m.

Hybrid Virtual & In Person Meeting

<u>PRESENT</u>

CARBON COUNTY *In-person* - Debbie Peet
Virtual - Zak Konakis, Commissioner Larry Jensen

EMERY COUNTY *In-person* - Kathi Kearney, Vice-Chair
Virtual - Commissioner Jordan Leonard, Mark Holyoak

GRAND COUNTY *Virtual* - Breann Davis, Chair, Commissioner Melodie McCandless, Rhiana Medina

ADMINISTRATION *In-person* - Bradon Bradford, Andrew Michaelis, Sara Braby, Curtis Page
Virtual - Brittney Garff, Hannah Schoon, Breana Downard, Orion Rogers, Chet Ingram, Brandon Pierce, Jonath Dutrow

I. <u>Call Meeting to Order</u>

Breann Davis called the meeting to order at 5:01 PM and did a roll call. All people in attendance did a brief introduction.

II. <u>Public Comment</u>

Public comment was opened by Breann. Hearing no comment, public comment was closed.

III. <u>Minutes for March 24, 2026 – Review and possible approval -</u>

There were no questions or comments on the minutes.

Motion to accept Minutes from March 24, 2026 - Kathi Kearney - Larry Jensen second - Motion passed

IV. **Budget**

A. **Check Register and Disbursement Listing**

Kathi had two questions - one about an Environmental Health Scientist attending a conference/event and wondered why that happened and Brady explained we wanted to keep that certification current so it was approved. The second question was a consultant for breastfeeding peer counselor, she will regularly be listed there. A dedicated phone line in the price office was also asked about and it was explained that it is for the ChemPack to communicate with the CDC. An additional question was about CivicReview. Andrew explained that Environmental Health moved to the online payment system and that is what the company is called. Lastly, Debbie asked about the Sunhill Phycological Services - this is for the CSHCN program where they bring the individual in to do the assessments. No additional questions were asked.

Motion to accept the Check Register & Disbursement Listing - Zak Konakis - Mark Holyoak second - Motion passed

B. **Budget Changes**

Andrew spoke about the operational adjustment and said it came from the state WIC and it is our health department's share. It is the same funding type we typically receive for WIC and can be used in the same way. Mostly for us this would be used for personnel or random needs or technology needs for employees.

Motion to accept the Budget Changes - Debbie Peet - Kathi Kearney Second - Motion passed

V. **Environmental Health Public Data Changes Presentation**

Potential to publish publicly accessible inspection reports: Jonathan showed his CivicReview platform where we pull all of the information in and it talks to ArcGIS and their other programs. He showed how the map would work and how you can find the inspection grade and open up the inspection report out in the field easily. Some of the things we can do with this is show what has been inspected recently, are close, or are past due. The things being discussed today is putting out a public grade map for these establishments. This would be in a map view where someone can look for the establishment and find the grade they were given most recently. We would have to determine what to redact such as private contact information, etc. The goal in this conversation is to get the board's opinion on what should and should not be on there as well as if the idea is one that should be moved forward on.
Jonathan next spoke about the human waste initiative and showed a map and app where the community can report human waste and other things that they find while they are out on public lands.
Breann asked what the main goals are from the board. Jonathan said he is mostly looking for guidance on what to include and if this is a good thing to move forward on. Mark commented that he loves the letter grade transparency and loves to provide this to the community. Brady said the grades can be quite reflective of the establishment and be a good reflection of the inspections completed. It was pointed out again that these are all public records, but this would just make it more accessible. Debbie mentioned that it

would be important to establish a set of steps establishments may take if their letter is poor. Orion said that what he is looking for with this item is either an acceptance to do this or a hold off until the next meeting. The transparency to the community is important and he does think moving forward would be good. All personal information would be redacted from the inspection reports. Breann asked if there could be a summary written for the board to explain what would be shown as well as how the establishments can make up for a poor inspection - this could include that we can do a re-inspection if something is in error and they are willing to remedy the issue. He also mentioned that we are always wanting to work with restaurants and not punish them, the end goal is public safety. Brady and Orion asked if it would be appropriate to do the letter grades now but hold off on the rest until we can provide the written documentation to the board of what else will be provided? Zak said he thought it could be approved to do the letter grade only and Joanthan and team could come back in July and give the written and in depth explanation of the rest.

Motion to accept the Environmental Health Public Data Changes with letter grades – Zak Konakis - Larry Jensen second - Motion passed

Next Brandon spoke on the water lab and the recent changes. When Brandon took over the lab he had a goal of moving to a digital system instead of all the paper logging. He showed the AppSheet he created and how he or clients can input the data and then view all of it easily. He can view all current tests running, see what Analyst is running the test, and all other required items for the tests. After the test is completed it will show up on the completed section and after review and approval it can be easily exported and sent to the client digitally from the app. He also showed an SOP tracking app that he created where they can monitor when SOP's are due and ones that are coming up and start reviewing on time without issue. The board was very appreciative and complimented their work.

VI. SEUHD Policies and Handbook Updates

Brady kicked off this agenda item by saying it may or may not be an action item today - so if not today, then definitely July. It was mentioned that the handbook is a condensed version of the policy book and a key element during onboarding and for employees in general. The policies are more in depth and would be referred to typically less often. He also shared that through this process, after all the changes were made the employees were able to review and make comments on this handbook and these changes. The employees have not yet reviewed the policies, only the handbook. After discussion

Motion to postpone this item to the July meeting – Kathi Kearney - Debbie Peet second - Motion passed

VII. Public Health Report

A. District Engineer Report

Curtis Page introduced himself and started with sharing his appreciation for the software development happening within the health department. He said there are

5 divisions within DEQ and water is probably the one he works in the most and responds to significant spills and follow ups related to that.

B. **Epidemiology**

Hannah spoke about the recent foodborne illness outbreak. She mentioned that there was a call to Brandon received about a potential outbreak and they provided the person with the official report to provide the information. It ended up with over 50 reports for different establishments where the Environmental Health team followed up with inspections.
She also mentioned that she spoke at a NACCHO conference about harm reduction and it went well.

C. **Clinical and Family Services**

Sara spoke about some staffing changes through Carbon and Emery counties and some additional/updated goals in the future. Brief conversation continued about benefits and incentives for people with these goals.

   a. **Miners Clinic Addition**

   Brady said the University of Utah has a Miner's clinic that they will now be holding in the Price Health Department office. They thought we were a good partner for this. They are currently going to be every other month but plan to possibly move to once a month.

D. **Community Health (Promotion and Education)**

There is a new prescription box inside of the Price office that we are excited about that has been in place for about a week where people can safely dispose of un-needed or expired prescriptions.

E. **Environmental Health**

Nothing additional.

F. **Emergency Preparedness**

Chet did not have general updates for the program other than that the programs are going well and a few staffing changes that they are about to work through. Brady mentioned that Eric will be leaving the health department in about 2 weeks so we are figuring out a few things on that front. The HPP program is one of the best in the state and the data would back us up on that, although there is small concern for funding there, just unknown where that stands.

   a. **MRC Program Status**

   Brady mentioned that there was conversation about dropping the MRC program from our Health Department. Chet spoke about numbers and said there are 12 active members - 8 of those are employees and 2 are board members, so it just is not thriving. It was also mentioned that this is common around the entire state, just not a lot of volunteers or people staying active.

G. **Public Health Information**

There was nothing in general to update.

   a. **2025 Annual Report**

   Brady shared that the annual report is required to be completed yearly, and everyone contributes to it, and Brittney puts it all together. Brittney spoke about it and the comparison from 2024 to 2025 in the WIC spending on healthy foods. The question was asked where that discrepancy comes from and our conclusion is the cost of food increase/inflation.

H. **Rural Health Transformation Grant**
Nothing was discussed on this topic.

IX. Closed Session - if necessary

No closed session was needed.

X. Board Comments

No Board comments

Motion to adjourn - Kathi Kearney

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned.
The meeting adjourned at 6:35 PM.

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Breann Davis, Board Chair | Bradon Bradford, Health Officer