New Business:

Guests: Shanna Zigler, Cary Katevid, Joe Sharpono, Mary Jo Gehret, John Hickman, Noah French, Katie Milis, Ross Canen, Jason Dunn

Timber Development

Cindy Heidt - Mental Health

Stephan Skiibert - Concrete Schools

Jim Domak - GNC

Present: 4/17/20 Special Meeting

Board of Health
The State is working on messaging about what the "new normal" will look like. Timber has reached out to State officials to request guidance on outdoor activities, such as greenhouses an essential service and how to handle large outdoor events.

There are sufficient test kits available. The need for testing is determined by patient history and symptom screening and then based on the findings the physician may or may not order a COVID-19 test. If you hear of anyone having concerns about not being tested and they have been triaged by the respiratory hot-line, have them call Shawna Dorwart or Jill Domek.

Mental health is providing services through distance options. There is concern about mental health issues being on the rise due to social isolation.

Commissioner Zander: We may have an obligation to make more restrictions for Dawson County depending on what the Governor’s plan is moving forward. We should keep in mind that while we may not have as many cases on the front end we may have more on the tail end.

Staffing could be a potential problem for the Health Department depending on how businesses are reopened and what services the Health Department provides to the public. This will need to be closely monitored as we move forward as monitoring quarantined individuals and contract tracing could potentially overwhelm DCHD staff as the number increases.

Ross had suggested last week after the BOH call, notices be posted at Lions Back as there were a number of people still using the area including out of state persons. Flyers were also placed under vehicle windshields.

The hospital has a surge plan in place and contingency plans, depending on what the needs are. There are designated rooms for COVID patients and then there is also a plan for patients who are sick and need to be placed on a ventilator.

Next meeting – 4-24-20 at 11:00
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