

**Gunnison County Environmental Health Board  
Agenda: February 17, 2016**

- 1:15 p.m.** Call to order; determine quorum
- 1:17 p.m.** Organizational business
- Election of officers
  - Posting locations
  - Discussion of meetings for 2016
  - Discussion of training opportunities for 2016
  - Review of septic activity for 2015
- 1:30 p.m.** Approval of minutes from the October 7, 2015 meeting
- 1:35 p.m.** Unscheduled Citizens: A brief period in which the public is invited to make general comments or ask questions of the Board or County Staff about items which are not scheduled on the day's agenda.
- 1:50 p.m.** **Gunnison County On-site Wastewater Treatment System Regulation, proposed revision to Section 5-112: Calculation of Sewage Flow.**
- Revision to Section 5-112: Calculation of Sewage Flow, C. Single-family Residences and Mobile Homes. Possible change from 100 gallons/day/person to 75 gallons/day/person design flow.

**Adjourn**

NOTE: Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are conducted in the Blackstock Government Center Meeting Room at 221 N. Wisconsin Street in Gunnison, across the street from the Post Office. Anyone needing special accommodations please contact the Community Development Department (641-0360) before the meeting.

**GUNNISON COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH BOARD  
FEBRUARY 17, 2016**

The Gunnison County Environmental Health Board conducted a meeting, in the Planning Commission Meeting Room at the Blackstocks Government Center.

**Present Were:**

Lucinda Lull, Chairperson  
Larry Parachini, Vice-Chairperson  
Eddy Balch, EH Board Member  
Ed Bavouset, EH Board Member  
Rodney Due, EH Board Member

Crystal Lambert, Building and EH Official  
Charlie Dominguez, EH and Building Inspector  
Rebecca Ricord, Administrative Assistant  
Russ Forrest, Community Development Director

**Absent Were:** Steve Glazer,

Other attendees as listed in text.

**Call to order:** A quorum was determined by Lull. The meeting was properly noticed and verified by Lambert.

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**Organizational business:**

**1:17:53 PM Election of officers:**

**Moved by;** Due, Seconded by Eddy Balch to keep the same officers for the EH Board, Lull as Chair, Parachini as Vice-chair. Voting yes; Board members Lull, Parachini, Balch, Due and Bavouset.

Lambert reported that Jeffrey Sellen did not re-up and no interest to the vacancy advertisement was expressed to the Administration Office. Ed Bavouset was moved from an alternate to a regular member and Steve Glazer will continue to serve as an alternate.

**Posting locations:**

The posting locations of the official meeting notice for 2016 will be the glass case outside the Clerk and Records office in the Blackstocks Government Center, the bulletin board outside of the Planning Commissioners Meeting Room at the Blackstocks Government Center designated as an advisory posting location, at the Courthouse, and in the Gunnison Country Times newspaper. **Moved by;** Balch, Seconded by Parachini, to approve the posting locations. Voting Yes; Board members Lull, Parachini, Balch, Due and Bavouset.

**Future meetings for 2016:**

**Moved by;** Bavouset, Seconded by Due to change the meetings to the first and third Thursdays of the month at 1:15 p.m. Voting Yes; Board members Lull, Parachini, Balch, Due and Bavouset.

**Moved by;** Parachini, Seconded by Lull that in addition to possible hearings during the year there be a mandatory first quarter reorganizational meeting in February and a possible second meeting in the fall to be determined later in the year dependent on whether fall meetings are already scheduled. Voting Yes; Board members Lull, Parachini, Balch, Due and Bavouset.

**1:30:01 PM 2016 Training Opportunities:**

Lambert reported that the CPOW organization has hired a full time educational coordinator to work with both CPOW and NAWT training opportunities. Lambert has been in communication with her and she is willing to coordinate classes here in Gunnison. The members reported that if there is a class in Gunnison that they would be interested in attending it. The Board agreed that the design and inspector classes would be their first choice and then the soils class.

**Review of Septic Activity for 2015:**

Lambert gave update on septic activity in 2015. Lambert gave update on incidents throughout the year and how she deals with the issues that come up. She explained that disciplinary action had been taken against installers and others for failing to comply with procedures and regulations. Lambert handed out material showing the OWTS applications and status in 2015. Lambert updated the Board on contractor issues. Discussion regarding allowed septic systems followed.

**Approval of Minutes:** Approval of Minutes from the October 7, 2015 meeting. **Moved by:** Balch, Seconded by Due to approve the October 7, 2015 meeting minutes as amended. Voting Yes; Board Members Lull, Balch, and Due. Parachini and Bavouset abstained.

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**Unscheduled citizens:**

None

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**Staff- Gunnison County On-site Wastewater Treatment System Regulation, proposed revision to Section 5-112: Calculation of Sewage Flow.**

Revision to Section 5-112: Calculation of Sewage Flow, C. Single-family Residences and Mobile Homes. Possible change from 100 gallons/day/person to 75 gallons/day/person design flow.

Lambert explained that she needs a formal Motion from the EH Board to take it in front of the BOCC. The revision is changing the calculation for sewage flow that required daily flow per person from 100 down to 75, which is the State recommended amount. When the Board adopted the Gunnison County OWTS Regulations they noticed that the 150 percent safety factor was suddenly gone from the calculation and so they upped the daily per person sewage from 75 to 100 to compensate. It turns out that a safety factor is padded into the long term acceptance rates. Some systems have increased substantially in size. The State has also clarified that 75 should be the design flow used and 100 should be reserved for situations where increased flow is justified. In the next revision to the State Regulations, a choice will not be given and everyone will have to use 75. Staff is proposing to use a minimum 75 gallons/day/person design flow and 100 gallons/day/person where justified. The proposed revision language is verbatim from the State OWTS Regulation. Motion that staff recommends that it be brought back down to 75 gallons/day/person, reserving the right to make it 100 gallons/day/person for certain situations that may be appropriate. The State says you can have 75 or 100 where justified, but nothing more or less.

**Moved by:** Balch, Seconded by Parachini to approve the staff recommendation to go from 100 gallons/day/person to 75 gallons/day/person as recommended by the State. Voting Yes; Board members Lull, Parachini, Balch, Due and Bavouset.

Lambert will combine this change with the October 7, 2015 change and will bring them as one to the Board of County Commissioners. There is a required 20 day posting notice. Once the BOCC hearing date is identified, the EH Board will be notified. Lambert reported that the State is revising the OWTS regulations so they will have some meetings solely on that. The State is hoping to have it pass this summer and then will have a grace period to adopt it.

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Lull asked when the next meeting would be. Lambert reported that she sent out a denial letter today and that they have 30 days to appeal. Lull reported she will be gone all of April but March is still looking ok. Parachini reported that he has surgery March 15, 2016 but that within a few days after that he should be good to go. Lambert will contact members for meeting availability once a formal request is received.

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Moved by Balch Seconded by Bavouset to adjourn the February 17, 2016 meeting of the Environmental Health Board at 2:10 P.M. The motion passed unanimously with Lull, Due, Glazer, Bavouset, and Balch voting Yes.

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/S/ Rebecca Ricord  
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