

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
WORK SESSION HELD ON  
Tuesday, June 4, 2019**

A work session of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, June 4, 2019 at 3:30 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Executive Conference Room, 1415 Melody Lane, Building G, Bisbee, Arizona.

Present: Peggy Judd, Chairman; Ann English, Vice-Chairman  
Absent: Thomas E. Borer, Supervisor  
Staff Present: Edward T. Gilligan, County Administrator  
Sharon Gilman, Associate County Administrator  
Sara Dent, Civil Deputy County Attorney  
Amanda Baillie, Public Information Officer  
Arlethe G. Rios, Clerk of the Board  
Attendees: Carrie Langley, Health & Social Services Director  
Gabe Lavine, Emergency Services  
Judy Lynn, Emergency Services  
Linda Greenwood, Project Manager, Health & Social Services Department

Chairman Judd called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

**ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA IS OPEN FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**THE ORDER OR DELETION OF ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION AT THE MEETING**

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***INTRODUCTIONS***

***ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION***

**Board of Supervisors**

1. Discussion and possible direction regarding the Hepatitis A Outbreak: Public Health Response.

Chairman Judd had everyone introduce themselves.

Ms. Carrie Langley, Health & Social Services Director, presented this item using a PowerPoint presentation. She began by going over the symptoms and how the disease is spread. She went over how a person can protect themselves and what situations put them at risk. She noted that vaccines were critical and explained that most children are

vaccinated for Hepatitis A as part of their vaccination schedule, but most adults are recommended to get a dose, which can last up to 11 years.

She moved on to the timeline, which began in October of 2018 and said that as of today there had been a total of 1479 vaccines administered. She added that there were nine confirmed cases in Cochise County and a task force had been deployed to address the issue.

Mr. Gabe Lavine, Emergency Services Director, went over the online Dashboard used to help track the progress of the task force. He stated that the task force was focused on targeting "at-risk" populations.

Ms. Langley thanked all the partners that had been involved in the task force.

Mr. Lavine went over future operations and said that a prolonged response would be based on new cases. He explained that prior to shutting down any task force missions, 100 days have to pass from the time the last case was reported.

Ms. Langley went over the costs associated with the County's response to Hepatitis A and noted that the total incident cost was \$154,000. She added that there was still some savings that could be used for further missions, but that once those ran out staff would look to the Board for financial assistance.

Vice-Chairman English said she would be willing to designate funds to continue this mission to ensure the public's safety.

Ms. Langley said that the public information component had been critical to the distribution of information and to alleviate the public's concerns and squash any rumors.

Mr. Gilligan and the Board thanked Ms. Langley and her staff for their response to this incident.

Ms. Langley said she would keep Mr. Gilligan updated on the incident.

Chairman Judd adjourned the meeting at 4:44 p.m.

APPROVED:

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Peggy Judd, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Arlethe G. Rios, Clerk of the Board