

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
WORK SESSION HELD ON  
FRIDAY, MARCH 19, 2021**

A work session of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Friday, March 19, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Executive Conference Room, 1415 Melody Lane, Building G, Bisbee, Arizona.

Present: Peggy Judd, Vice-Chairman; Tom Crosby, Supervisor, telephonic

Absent: Ann English, Chairman

Staff Present: Sharon Gilman, Associate County Administrator  
Kris Carlson, Civil Deputy County Attorney  
Kim Lemons, Clerk of the Board

Attendees: Alicia Thompson, Health & Social Services Director  
Craig Janiszewski, Emerg Preparedness Specialist  
Tammi-Jo Wilkins, Emerg Preparedness Specialist

Vice-Chairman Judd called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

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

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

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***ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION***

**Board of Supervisors**

1. Discussion and Possible Direction on the current status of the Covid-19 Pandemic.

Dr. Thompson, Mr. Janiszewski and Ms. Wilkins presented this item. Dr. Thompson discussed the four upcoming virtual community health forums; each forum will have the same content and be limited to 100 attendees. The forums will include stakeholders, community members and community partners, and will seek input on how to ensure all community members know how to get the vaccine, and how to get the vaccines to hard-to-reach communities. The forums are scheduled for Friday, March 26, 2021 from 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.; Monday, March 29, 2021 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.; Tuesday, March 30, 2021 from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.; and, Wednesday, March 31, 2021 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. In response to the Board, Dr. Thompson confirmed that the schedule will be sent to all Elected Officials and media contacts.

Mr. Janiszewski stated that the number of Covid-19 cases are continuing to decline, with 68 in the last week. He noted that 46,006 vaccine doses have been administered, and reviewed the number by age group. The County was allocated 5,700 doses for next week; of those, 300 are the Johnson & Johnson (Janssen) vaccine. A portion of the Janssen vaccine is committed for agricultural workers; 200 doses will be available at a Point of Dispensing (POD) in Willcox on March 26, 2021. Dr. Thompson noted that the Janssen

vaccine is being rotated to different PODs to ensure community access.

Mr. Janiszewski stated that vaccine appointments are now open to those aged 45 and over. The Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) online vaccine registration portal does not currently allow this age group to schedule appointments. People should call the ADHS call center at 1-844-542-8201 to schedule an appointment; as this is new, some people are being rejected when they call. Anyone who is rejected should email their information to the County at PublicHealth@cochise.az.gov, and staff will work with ADHS to schedule an appointment for the individual.

Ms. Wilkins reported on the POD at Tombstone High School on Saturday, which is targeting residents in Tombstone and surrounding communities; the POD will allow for up to 300 walk-ins. If the walk-in model is successful, it may be used again in the future. A POD will also be held on Saturday at Buena High School in Sierra Vista with 800 appointments available. In response to the Board, Ms. Wilkins discussed a flyer for the Tombstone POD, and the locations at which it was distributed.

The Board and staff discussed the Tombstone and Sierra Vista PODs having the Moderna vaccine; the Janssen vaccine being available in Willcox on Friday, March 26; the process for those aged 45-54 who are unable to register through the ADHS hotline; and, the manner in which underserved communities were identified.

Vice-Chairman Judd adjourned the meeting at 10:23 a.m.

APPROVED:

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Ann English, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Kim Lemons, Clerk of the Board