

November 5, 1997
9:00 a.m.

LANE COUNTY
BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

Harris Hall
Main Floor

PRESENT: Chair Cindy Weeldreyer presided with Ellie Dumdi, Bobby Green, Sr. and Peter Sorenson present. Steve Cornacchia excused. Zoe Gilstrap, Recording Secretary.

1. **REPORT/Semi-Annual Board of Health Report.**

Rob Rockstroh, Director, Health and Human Services, reviewed his agenda memorandum (see material on file). He highlighted the statewide changes associated with Managed Mental Health Care and the desire of Commissioners Weeldreyer and Dumdi to pursue the reassignment of subsurface sanitation permit processing into Land Management, noting that the process now is very frustrating to citizens. Bill Van Vactor, County Administrator, stated that he will meet with Land Management and Health and Human Services and will provide a report to the Commissioners, and if necessary, schedule a work session.

Responding to Van Vactor, Rockstroh said there has been a decline in the death rates from AIDS due to treatment; however, there are still death rate increases in the general heterosexual population, including women.

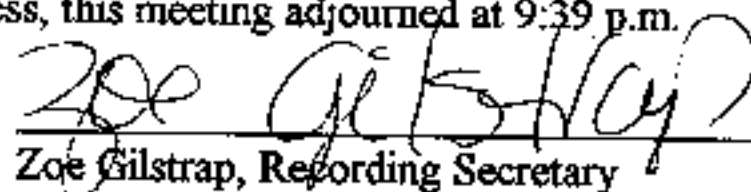
Green asked if the new methadone program, CODA, is working with Lane County. Rockstroh stated that they are, noting that they are having meetings to coordinate physician and insurance referrals. Rockstroh remarked that there are approximately 20 deaths a year in Lane County from heroin overdose deaths. Green asked that the next semi-report include measurements showing the impact of CODA on the service delivered by the methadone program in Public Health and how the division of labor is being managed.

Sorenson expressed concern about the automobile accident rate due to driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs and spousal abuse. He stated that this should be viewed as a public health issue.

Dumdi discussed the seriousness of the methamphetamine problem in Lane County, stating that it is one of the causes of child deaths. Rockstroh agreed that this is a direct link to child and spousal abuse.

Weeldreyer stated that this report was very comprehensive and asked that it be placed on the web site.

There being no further business, this meeting adjourned at 9:39 p.m.


Zoe Gilstrap, Recording Secretary