

# Gallatin City-County Health Department

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## BOARD OF HEALTH

### AGENDA

January 26, 2017

7:30am

*Gallatin City-County Health Department*

Education Room

**215 W Mendenhall, Bozeman, MT**

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**\*\*\*\*\*Audio difficulties experienced throughout the meeting\*\*\*\*\***

### Board Members Present:

[Board Chair - Becky Franks: Present](#)  
[Board Vice-Chair - Buck Taylor: Present](#)  
[Board Member - Chris Mehl: Present](#)  
[Board Member - Jane Mahlow: Present](#)  
[Board Member - Joe Skinner: Present](#)  
[Board Member - Laura Larsson: Present](#)  
[Board Member - Mari Eggers: Present](#)  
[Board Member - Seth Walk: Present](#)  
[Board Member - Steve Custer: Present](#)

*Staff Present:* Lori Christenson, Matt Kelley, Tracy Knoedler, Toni Lucker

*Public:* Lander Cooney, Mari Dominguez, Heather Grenier, Stephanie McDowell

### A. Call to Order

[07:32:27 AM \(00:00:40\)](#)

### B. Public Comment on a Non-Agenda Item

[07:32:32 AM \(00:00:16\)](#)

No public comments

### C. Patagonia Health Agreement (Electronic Medical Record)



[07:32:42 AM \(00:00:26\)](#)

No public comment on this agenda item

[07:33:41 AM \(00:01:54\)](#)

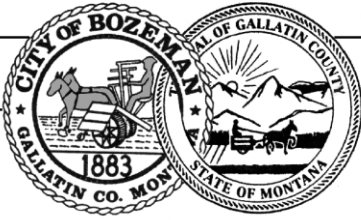
*Board discussion*

**Motion:** [07:33:40 AM \(00:01:24\)](#)

**Buck Taylor made a motion to accept the agreement with Patagonia Health. He felt there was good discussion about it and extensively reviewed by the County Attorney.**

[07:34:04 AM \(00:02:18\)](#)

**Second: Seth Walk seconded the motion**





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**Vote:** [07:34:12 AM \(00:01:56\)](#)

[Board Vice-Chair - Buck Taylor: Motion](#)  
[Board Member - Steve Custer: 2nd](#)  
[Board Chair - Becky Franks: Approve](#)  
[Board Vice-Chair - Buck Taylor: Approve](#)  
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[Board Member - Joe Skinner: Approve](#)  
[Board Member - Laura Larsson: Approve](#)  
[Board Member - Mari Eggers: Approve](#)  
[Board Member - Seth Walk: Approve](#)  
[Board Member - Steve Custer: Approve](#)

The motion passed unanimously.

[07:34:23 AM \(00:02:07\)](#)

**D. Resolution 17-1 Supporting Medicaid Expansion for the People of Gallatin County and Montana**    
Becky noted this resolution would be sent to Montana Legislators asking them to continue to support access to healthcare through Medicaid expansion. Becky continued with comments about the resolution and health care.

[07:35:22 AM \(00:03:06\)](#)

*Public comment*

[07:36:05 AM \(00:04:19\)](#)

Matt distributed health data related to insurance coverage derived from a Gallatin County community survey by Bozeman Health and others and provided background from Gallatin County perspective.

[07:40:40 AM \(00:08:54\)](#)

Stephanie McDowell, Associate Director BridgerCare, sworn in and provided testimony of what she experiences at BridgerCare.

[07:44:30 AM \(00:12:44\)](#)

Mari Dominguez, Executive Director of BridgerCare and a Registered Nurse, sworn in and provided testimony on the financial impact of the Affordable Care Act on her capacity to provide essential healthcare services as a nonprofit agency in Gallatin County. In addition, Mari urged the Board of Health to pass the resolutions.

[07:47:21 AM \(00:15:05\)](#)

Heather Grenier of HRDC, sworn in and provided testimony on health coverage and health costs impacts on customers of HRDC and the services provided by HRDC.

[07:50:39 AM \(00:18:52\)](#)

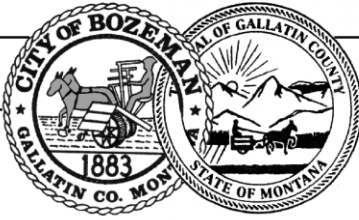
Lander Cooney, Community Health Partners (CHP), sworn in and provided testimony on the increase of affordable health insurance for CHP patients due to the Affordable Care Act and Medicaid Expansion that allows CHP to provide more health care services.

[07:55:26 AM \(00:23:39\)](#)

*Board discussion*

[07:56:07 AM \(00:24:21\)](#)

Buck commented and agrees to support



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[07:56:59 AM \(00:25:13\)](#)

Steve commented on his one word change to the resolution.

[07:57:43 AM \(00:25:57\)](#)

Chris commented on his support of the Medicaid Expansion resolution.

**MOTION:** [08:00:07 AM \(00:28:21\)](#)

**Buck made a motion supporting Resolution 17-1 Medicaid Expansion for the People of Gallatin County and Montana.**

**SECOND:** [08:00:19 AM \(00:28:03\)](#)

**Steve seconded the motion**

*Further Discussion*

[08:00:30 AM \(00:28:44\)](#)

Joe commented why he would not support the resolution

**VOTE:** [08:01:19 AM \(00:29:03\)](#)

[Board Vice-Chair - Buck Taylor: Motion](#)

[Board Member - Steve Custer: 2nd](#)

[Board Chair - Becky Franks: Approve](#)

[Board Vice-Chair - Buck Taylor: Approve](#)

[Board Member - Chris Mehl: Approve](#)

[Board Member - Jane Mahlow: Approve](#)

[Board Member - Joe Skinner: Disapprove](#)

[Board Member - Laura Larsson: Approve](#)



[Board Member - Mari Eggers: Approve](#)

[Board Member - Seth Walk: Approve](#)

[Board Member - Steve Custer: Approve](#)

**Motion carried**

[08:02:10 AM \(00:29:54\)](#)

**E. Resolution 17-2 Supporting the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act for the People of Gallatin County and Montana**  

[08:02:21 AM \(00:30:34\)](#)

Becky commented on the spirit of the Affordable Care Act Resolution.

*Public Comment*

[08:04:21 AM \(00:32:05\)](#)

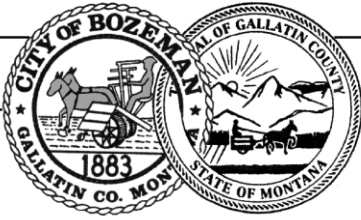
Becky read into the record the letter from Helga Pac of Bozeman supporting the Affordable Health Care.

[08:06:11 AM \(00:34:25\)](#)

Lander commented on the impact of the Affordable Care Act on Montanans

[08:07:03 AM \(00:35:17\)](#)

*Board discussion*



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Chris commented on his support of the resolution; policies are beneficial to the people and proven to be important to constituents.

[08:09:05 AM \(00:37:19\)](#)

Seth commented there is nothing to take the place of this and it makes sense.

**MOTION:** [08:09:48 AM \(00:37:32\)](#)

**Buck made a motion supporting Resolution 17-2 the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act for the People of Gallatin County and Montana**

**SECOND:** [08:10:00 AM \(00:37:44\)](#)

Steve seconded the motion.

*Further Discussion*

[08:10:12 AM \(00:38:26\)](#)

Joe commented why he would vote against the resolution.

**VOTE:** [08:10:51 AM \(00:38:35\)](#)

- [Board Vice-Chair - Buck Taylor: Motion](#)
- [Board Member - Steve Custer: 2nd](#)
- [Board Chair - Becky Franks: Approve](#)
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- [Board Member - Steve Custer: Approve](#)

**The motion carried**

The meeting continued at the Baxter Hotel

[08:11:51 AM \(00:40:04\)](#)

Meeting adjourned

**F. Strategic Planning Work Session at the Baxter Hotel Ballroom (105 W Main, Bozeman, MT 59715)**

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Secretary

Date

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Chair

Date