

City Health Board Meeting Discussion Record
March 1, 2021

Voting members in attendance: Dr. Mary Milroy, Mayor Nathan Johnson and City Manager Amy Leon.

Ex Officio members in attendance: City Attorney Ross Den Herder, Police Commander Jason Foote, Community Development Manager Brad Bies, and Community and Economic Development Director Dave Mingo.

City Manager Leon called the meeting to order and introduced the board members for the benefit of the viewing public. She then discussed the updated metrics. At least 26 percent of the county's population has received one dose of the vaccine with 16 percent having received both doses. The Johnson and Johnson vaccine is also predicted to be in the community soon and that will help. The state will soon be moving into the next group of vaccine recipients. Case numbers continue trending down and there is only one COVID-19 related hospitalization in Yankton today.

Dr. Milroy stated she is encouraged by the numbers continuing to look better and she recommends staying with what we are now doing.

Mayor Johnson noted that Liz Healy from Avera informed the COVID Task Force this earlier today that a majority of those 65 and older have received the vaccine, at least the first dose, and there are plans for the next group to be called in soon.

Dave Mingo stated he is also encouraged by the numbers and has no other comments today. Brad Bies stated that he will work with the metrics as the new single dose vaccine becomes available. Den Herder and Foote both commented that they are pleased with the trajectory of the numbers.

Leon stated that we will continue to promote people getting vaccinated and to follow CDC guidelines.

Johnson asked about updated signage for businesses since the ordinance has expired. Leon stated there is a new sign that says 'Please Wear a Mask' and it is available on the City's website or at City Hall and other locations for people to pick up if they want one.

Motion by Milroy and seconded by Johnson to adjourn the meeting. Voting aye - Johnson, Milroy and Leon. Motion passes.