

BOARD OF HEALTH**May 13, 2020****6:00 PM**

The meeting was called to order via Zoom at 6:00 pm by Mr. Massa with the following members and staff present:

MEMBERS

Tony Massa – Warden

Mark Wanke – Ephrata

Dr. David Curnel – Moses Lake

Kevin Newland – Wilson Creek

Richard Stevens – Commissioner

Brad Parrish – Electric City

Tom Harris – Quincy

STAFF

Dr. Brzezny – Health Officer

Maria Vargas – CPH Manager

Rita Morfin – Board Clerk

Darcy Moss – Financial Facilitator

Theresa Adkinson – Administrator

Stephanie Shopbell – E.H. Manager

Katherine Kenion – H.D. Attorney

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA – A motion was made to approve the agenda. (M/S Stevens/Wanke – unanimous).

APPROVAL OF MINTUES – The minutes of the April 8, 2020 meeting were approved as written (M/S Curnel/Stevens – unanimous).

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

The April vouchers for the period ending May 13, 2020 totaling \$265,863.66 (#1 – 3 totaling \$202,442.00, #4 – 22 totaling \$14,595.21 #23 - 45 totaling \$48,826.45) were approved (M/S Wanke/Curnel – unanimous).

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT -Theresa Adkinson

BOH Resolution 20-4 COVID SICK LEAVE— Discussion held regarding COVID-19 leave, motion made to approve Resolution 20-4. (M/S Curnel/Stevens – unanimous)

PEBB Extended Benefits to Part-time/Temporary COVID Employees—Discussion held regarding PEBB coverage for part-time/COVID employees if they work more than eight (8) hours in the month. Board to make motion if we will opt in. Dr. Curnel asked if there is an option for the employee to pay a portion, per Theresa the district can make a resolution. Commissioner Stevens made motion to opt out. (M/S Stevens/Curnel – unanimous)

GCHD Staff Support During COVID-19—Theresa discussed staff support through COVID-19. Theresa has noticed fatigue and stress during GCHD's response and is looking to the board for resources and options. Discussion held; Commissioner Stevens is not in agreement with offering any type of additional "covid" leave. Theresa discussed different options with the board and GCHD will continue to explore resources and support staff.



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GCHD Financials—financials PowerPoint presented to the board.

CARES Act Funding to Cities and Counties—No funding through the CARES Act was allocated to GCHD. LHJ's have been directed to look at their board for allocation when funding comes in.

UNIFIED COMMAND – Theresa Adkinson

Sheriff Office & GCHD Unified Command—Theresa updated the board on Unified Command and staff schedule, daily structure.

Commerce COVID Grants—Commerce grant was awarded to Grant County; Theresa presented the details to the board.

COMMUNITY MITIGATION/DOCUMENTATION OFFICER – Stephanie Shopbell

“COVID-19 Smart” Business Guidance— Presented Business Guidance to board.

Farmworker Housing Updated Guidance—Presented Farmworkers Guidance to board.

Signs and Resources for Businesses—Presented signs and resources for businesses to board.

Outdoor Market Plans of Operation—GCHD worked with ML Farmers Market and Negrette Flea Market to implement guidelines from DOH and Dr. Brzezny.

PLANNING CHIEF – Darcy Moss

Clinics continue to notify GCHD of patients being tested, then distributed to staff for calling. The clinic testing the most is testing approximately 15-20 a day, followed by another clinic with testing approximately 8-10 a day. GCHD is now doing our investigations virtually and have contacted approximately 3200+ contacts to include, positives, PUI's. No questions.

OPERATIONS CHIEF – Maria Vargas

Disease Investigations & Contact Tracing—GCHD noticed a decline of about 30% in testing and has been able to keep up with the 24-hour contact guidelines.

Other Updates—Fine tuning our process will help with some challenges that may arise with Environmental Health staff preparing to be out in the field. GCHD is preparing for a surge in testing and cases.

PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER – Theresa Adkinson

Information is posted daily on our website (positives, negative, etc) recovery data is posted weekly.

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HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT – Dr. Brzezny

PowerPoint presented to board; discussion held.

OTHER BUSINESS – BOH Discussion and Action – COVID-19 Response.

ADJOURNMENT – With no other business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 p.m. (M/S Stevens/Wanke – unanimous).

Tony Massa, Chairman Board of Health

ATTEST:

Rita Morfin, Clerk of the Board