

**BOARD OF HEALTH**

June 10, 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  
Brad Parrish – Electric City  
Tom Harris – Quincy

Cindy Carter – Commissioner  
Dr. David Curnel – Moses Lake  
Kevin Newland – Wilson Creek

**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 Kenison – H.D. Attorney

**ABSENT**

Richard Stevens – Commissioner

Mark Wanke – Ephrata

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – The minutes of the May 13, 2020 meeting were approved as written (M/S Curnel/Harris – unanimous) and the minutes of the May 22, 2020 meeting were approved as written (M/S Harris/Curnel – unanimous).

**APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS**—The May vouchers for the period ending June 10, 2020 totaling \$180,547.18 (#1 – 3 totaling \$132,188.31, #4 – 13 totaling \$8,348.63, #14 - 26 totaling \$40,010.24) were approved (M/S Curnel/Harris – unanimous).

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT** -Theresa Adkinson

**GCHD Financials**—Budget presented with discussion of temporary hires and COVID response.

**Overview of the CARES Act Funding proposal to Grant County**—discussed with budget.

**UNIFIED COMMAND** – Theresa Adkinson

GCHD is no longer reported to Ephrata EOC but still working as a partnership. GCHD staff are returning to GCHD building and their program work. GCHD remains closed but still serving the public. GCHD has a healthcare briefing Monday morning at 0830 with Dr. Brzezny and Thursday healthcare updates with GCHD staff. Theresa did encourage the board to participate in those calls. Check ins with GCHD staff are done daily at 0900.

Media briefings will be done on Thursdays at noon.



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**Graduations, Festivals and Schools**—GCHD is working with communities regarding their graduation plans. Our local fair and rodeo have been canceled and other summer events such as 4<sup>th</sup> of July may still happen but with no public gathering.

**COMMUNITY MITIGATION/DOCUMENTATION OFFICER** – Stephanie Shopbell  
**Contact Tracing via Health Space**— Stephanie explained the process to the board.

**Farmworker Housing**—Update on Farmworkers Housing Guidance to board.

**Signs and Resources for Businesses**—Additional signs and resources provided for businesses since moving to Phase II

**Outdoor Markets**—Negrette’s Farmers and Flea Market in Mattawa have been following plans, while the vendors are wearing masks, the public is not.

**PLANNING CHIEF** – Darcy Moss  
Darcy gave an update to the board regarding number of tests being done and the process of healthcare facilities reporting results to GCHD.

**OPERATIONS CHIEF** – Maria Vargas  
**Disease Investigations & Contact Tracing**—Explained process to the board including the requirement of restaurants keeping a list of patrons.

**Increased Testing Capacity**—There are approximately 6,000 test kits in house which will support Long Term Care facilities, congregate settings, and large employee companies.

**PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER** – Theresa Adkinson  
Update provided to board.

**HEALTH OFFICER’S REPORT** – Dr. Brzezny  
PowerPoint presented to board; discussion held.

**OTHER BUSINESS** – Discussion held regarding COVID response and CARES Funding. Motion made to hire temporary Communicable Disease Investigators to assist with case investigations if commissioners approve. (M/S Curnel/Parrish – unanimous).

**ADJOURNMENT** – With no other business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 p.m. (M/S Curnel/Harris – unanimous).

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Tony Massa, Chairman Board of Health

ATTEST:

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Rita Morfin, Clerk of the Board

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