

**BOARD OF HEALTH**

August 11, 2021

6:01 PM

The meeting was called to order in person and via Zoom at 6:01 pm by Mr. Massa with the following members and staff present:

**MEMBERS-In Person**

Tony Massa – Warden

Brad Parrish – Electric City

Dr. David Curnel – Moses Lake

**MEMBERS-Via Zoom**

Danny Stone – Commissioner

Tom Harris – Quincy

Mark Wanke – Ephrata

Kevin Newland – Wilson Creek

**STAFF-In person**

Theresa Adkinson – Administrator

Rita Morfin – Board Clerk

Stephanie Shopbell – EH Manager

Anna Franz – HD Attorney

**STAFF-Via Zoom**

Dr. Brzezny – Health Officer

Darcy Moss – Finance Support Facilitator

Maria Vargas – CPH Manager

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – The minutes of the July 14, 2021 meeting were approved as written (M/S Curnel/Parrish – unanimous).

**APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS**—The July vouchers for the period ending August 10, 2021, totaling \$321,620.27 (#1 –#3 totaling \$209,061.67 #4 – #17 totaling \$21,501.35, #18 - #36 totaling \$23,559.19, and #37 – #66 totaling \$67,498.06), were approved (M/S Harris/ Curnel – unanimous).

**PUBLIC FORUM FOR CITIZEN’S COMMENTS AND APPLICATIONS** –

None

**Health Officer’s COVID-19 Report - Dr. Brzezny**

PowerPoint presented regarding COVID-19 rates, vaccine information, trends & guidance. Dr. Brzezny presented a letter with recommendations for mitigating COVID-19 in Grant County. A motion was made to publish the letter (M/S Curnel/Parrish – 5-2)

**ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH** - Stephanie Shopbell

**PFAS Summary of Proposed Rule Changes**—emailed out to the board, no questions.

**Other Updates**—Updates emailed to the board, no questions.

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**COMMUNITY PUBLIC HEALTH REPORT** – Maria Vargas

**Program Updates**—Emailed to board, no questions.

**Other Updates** – None.

**ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT** -Theresa Adkinson

**Financial Report** – Report was emailed to the board, no questions.

**Budget Amendment Ordinance 21-3 Overview**—Theresa gave update to board with budget updated through July.

**Public Hearing-2021 Budget Amendment Ordinance 21-3**—The public hearing was opened for comment on Ordinance 21-3. Having no comments, the hearing was closed (M/S Harris/Curnel – unanimous).

**Adoption of Ordinance 21-3**—Motion made to approve Ordinance 21-3 Budget Amendment, Kevin Newland abstained from voting (M/S Curnel/Parrish – unanimous).

**IT Services Contract**—Theresa presented the current contract that does need attorney review. Motion made to approve contract pending attorney approval (M/S Wanke/Curnel – unanimous).

**WA State Audit**—Due to medical leave for GCHD’s accountant, the audit has been rescheduled for October.

**Resolution 21-3 Appointment of Agent to Receive Claims**—Discussion held, and motion made to approve Resolution 21-3 (M/S Harris/Curnel – unanimous).

**Other Updates**—Discussion held, and it was decided to continue in person BOH meetings with Zoom option.

Advised the board that due to increase in COVID-19 cases in Grant County, GCHD has posted the Temporary Communicable Disease Investigator Position and using a temp agency for clerical support.

**HEALTH OFFICER’S REPORT** – Dr. Brzezny

**Epi Report**—PowerPoint presented to board.

**Other Updates**—More information was shared regarding COVID-19, discussion held

**Executive Session-Potential Litigation**—The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm to executive session according to RCW 42.30.110 to last 30 minutes regarding potential litigation with action to be taken. The public meeting was re-opened at 8:30 pm.

Motion made to acknowledge Valdez litigations falls within indemnification resolution of the GCHD (M/S Curnel/Parrish – unanimous).

**OTHER BUSINESS** – None

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**ADJOURNMENT**—With no other business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 p.m. (M/S Curnel/Harris – unanimous).

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Tony Massa, Chairman Board of Health

ATTEST:

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Rita Morfin, Board Clerk