

BOARD OF HEALTH

March 9, 2022

6:00 PM

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

MEMBERS

Danny Stone – Commissioner
Deanna Martinez – Moses Lake
Cheryl Hoffman – Electric City

Tom Harris – Quincy
Valli Millard – Ephrata

STAFF

Theresa Adkinson – Administrator
Stephanie Shopbell – EH Manager
Dr. Brzezny – Health Officer
Darcy Moss, Finance Services

Maria Vargas – CPH Manager
Rita Morfin – Board Clerk
Laina Mitchell – I & R Manager
Katherine Kenison – H.D. Attorney

GUESTS

Wendy Brzezny – NCACH

Absent

Kent Andersen – Royal City

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The minutes of the February 9, 2022 meeting were approved as written (M/S Millard/Stone – unanimous).

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS—The February vouchers for the period ending March 8, 2022 totaling \$310,864.49 (#1 – #3 totaling \$227,442.48, #4 – #13 totaling \$19,465.04, #14 - #28 totaling \$10,281.32, #29 - #39 totaling \$11,203.57, and #40 - #56 totaling \$42,472.08 were approved (M/S Hoffman/Martinez – 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; discussion held.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH - Stephanie Shopbell

Food Code Rule Revision Implementation—WAC246-215, preventing food and ingredient contamination, will be effective March 1, 2022. This will allow for six-month education period for vendors.

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Other Updates—Monthly reports emailed to board.

HEALTHY COMMUNITIES (HC) REPORT – Maria Vargas

Program updates—CareConnect update given to the board, no questions.

Other Updates—None

INVESTIGATIONS AND RESPONSE (I&R) REPORT – Laina Mitchell

CD Stats—Update given to board regarding all communicable disease cases, there has been a 50% increase in Syphilis cases in Grant County compared to last year. Influenza has increase with 60 cases currently in Grant County. Grant County is seeing a decrease in COVID-19 positive cases.

Other Updates—None

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT -Theresa Adkinson

Financial Report—Emailed to board, no questions.

Public Hearing for Ordinance 22-01 Updated Fee Schedule 3% Credit Card Fee— The public hearing was opened for comment on Ordinance 22-0. Hearing no comments, the hearing was closed (M/S Stone/Martinez – unanimous).

Adoption of Ordinance 22-01 2022 Updated Fee Schedule— Motion made to approve Ordinance 22-01 Updated Fee Schedule; discussion held (M/S Martinez/Stone – unanimous).

New Board of Health Configuration Timeline—HB 1152 update given to board; discussion held. Theresa updated the board on the vacancy for seat 6 (Soap Lake, Wilson Creek, Krupp).

Other updates—Discussion was held regarding in person BOH meetings and the option to move the meeting to the Grant County Health District Office. All agreed to move the meeting to in person at the GCHD office starting in April with the option to attend via Zoom.

HEALTH OFFICER’S REPORT – Dr. Brzezny

Epi Update—PowerPoint presented to board.

Communicable Diseases Under Investigation—Included in PowerPoint.

Seasonal Influenza—Included in PowerPoint.

Other Updates—SSP update given to the board; no questions.

OTHER BUSINESS— None

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ADJOURNMENT—With no other business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m. (M/S Martinez/Hoffman – unanimous).

Tom Harris, Chairman Board of Health

ATTEST:

Rita Morfin, Board Clerk