

**BOARD OF HEALTH****April 11, 2018****7:00 PM**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mr. Massa with the following members and staff present:

**MEMBERS**

Cindy Carter – Commissioner  
Mark Wanke – Ephrata  
Tom Harris- Quincy  
John Glassco- SL, Krupp, WC

Dr. David Curnel - Moses Lake  
Carol Nordine – EC, CC, GC, HtIn  
Richard Stevens – Commissioner  
Tony Massa- Board Chair, Warden

**STAFF**

Theresa Adkinson – Administrator  
Virginia Valdez – Admin. Services Manager  
Jon Ness – E.H. Manager

Kathleen Nelson, Community Public Health Manager  
Dr. Alex Brzezny – Health Officer  
Katherine Kenison – H.D. Attorney

**ABSENT**

Tom Taylor – Commissioner  
Anna Franz – H.D. Attorney

**GUESTS**

Harold Hochstatter, citizen

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** - The minutes of the March 14, 2018 meeting were approved as written. (M/S Harris/Glassco - unanimous).

**APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS**- The vouchers for the period ending April March 14, 2018 totaling \$220,082.97 (#1 - #3 totaling \$130,108.63 and #4 - #21 totaling \$3,526.55 and #22 - #48 totaling \$47,133.91) were approved. (M/S Curnel/Wanke– unanimous).

**PUBLIC FORUM FOR CITIZEN’S COMMENTS AND APPLICATIONS**- Harold Hochstetter addressed the Board to thank them for reviewing the site registration fee and thanked Jon Ness for his work.

**ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH REPORT**

**Public Hearing on Ordinance 18-2 Fee Schedule** – Jon shared the proposed fee schedule change to the Board for the site registration fee. At this time, Chairman Massa opened up the public hearing for public comment. With no comment the motion was made to close the public hearing fee schedule ordinance 18-2 (M/S Carter/Curnel-unanimous). The motion to accept and approve Ordinance 18-2 Fee Schedule was made (M/S Stevens/Curnel-unanimous). Fee schedule was approved.

**Staff Subpoenaed to Testify** – Jon shared with the Board that an environmental health employee was subpoenaed to testify regarding a 2016 food outbreak. Health District attorney Katherine Kenison has assisted.

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**Building Permit Report** – Jon spoke about the building report and shared food inspection report. Theresa and Jon scheduled a meeting with county staff to talk about water availability.

**Food Report** – Jon explained a recent food establishment complaint on social media. Theresa shared that health district staff created a Facebook message asking the public to refer their complaints directly with the to the Health District. Ifiber One news has contacted the health district for additional information regarding the complaint. This was an additional opportunity to share the appropriate way to file a complaint with the Health District.

**Other Updates** – None.

### **COMMUNITY HEALTH REPORT**

**Update on Diabetes**- Kathleen shared information on diabetes. See handout

**Blood Pressure** – See hand out packet on diet and exercise.

**Health Educator on ABCD** – Maria provided a summary of a two year grant she participated in that targeted the Hispanic population, identified barriers to dental care and how to address them. Maria provided services to the families as case manager to bridge the barriers and work with community partners to address the barriers. GCHD continues to have the ABCD program.

**Other Updates** – A student BSN Intern from Columbia Basin College has started a 44 hour public health rotation at the health district. Jill McCullough, will join the community public health division starting May 1, 2018.

### **ASSESSMENT REPORT**

None.

### **ADMINISTRATORS REPORT**

**Staffing Update** – New organization chart (see handout). The EHT position is still open and EHS III Stephanie Shopbell was promoted.

**Accounting Services at GCHD** – Theresa spoke with CLA this evening and we are nearing final contract language. Tony will sign the agreement on behalf of the health district.

**Public Health Week 2018** – See handouts.

**Accountable Communities of Health** Updates – ACH summit, Medicaid transformation speakers and discussion will be held on the upcoming Medicaid demonstration projects.

**Other Updates** – Mark Wanke shared with the Board a walking map brochure developed with assistance from GCHD healthy communities staff. He brought samples of the tape used on light poles throughout the

community that identify route lengths that match up with the colors on the map. Several volunteers joined Mark to tape the light poles.

**HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT**

**Seasonal Influenza** – Grant County has seen reduction in cases (3 cases reported), Grant County has not quite met the threshold for calling off the influenza season, but may be soon.

**Syringe Services Program** – Program is starting late May/June. May 17<sup>th</sup> DOH staff will provide training to health district and Grant Integrated Services staff. Grant County Health District will be applying for two grants to help support the program and provide a communication plan for the region.

**Epi Update** – Last 90 days stop spread of disease. CDC recommend follow up in 3 months. Leading in the state in STDS.

**Other Updates** – Report on Synthetic Cannabis, not endorsed or legal, multiple reports of unexplained bleeding problems. Heroin and opioid focus, kills the most people.

**Other Business**

None.

**Executive Session** – The board went into executive session at 8:20 pm expected to last 40 minutes to discuss public employee performance.

**ADJOURNMENT** - The meeting reconvened at 8:57 pm with no action taken. With no other business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 pm (M/S Wanke/Harris – unanimous).

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Tony Massa, Chairman Board of Health

ATTEST:

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Theresa Adkinson, Administrator