

BOARD OF HEALTH**March 8, 2023****6:00 PM**

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

MEMBERS

Sheila Berschauer—Healthcare Rep (Zoom)
Cindy Carter-Commissioner (Zoom)
Stan Fuhriman—Stakeholder Rep (In Person)
Danny Stone-Commissioner (In Person)

Tom Harris – Cities/Towns (In Person)
Deanna Martinez – Cities/Towns (Zoom)
Dr. Alison Ball—Tribal Rep (Zoom)
Nokey Pando—Consumer of PH (Zoom)

STAFF

Theresa Adkinson – Administrator (In person)
Laina Mitchell – I & R Manager (In Person)
Stephanie Shopbell – EH Manager (In Person)
Darcy Moss, Finance Services (In Person)
Lexi Smith – Communication Coordinator (In Person)

Katherine Kenison – H.D. Attorney (In Person)
Dr. Brzezny – Health Officer (Zoom)
Maria Vargas – HCF Manager (In Person)
Rita Morfin (In Person)

ABSENT

None

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The minutes of the February 8, 2023 meeting were approved as written (M/S Fuhriman/Carter – unanimous).

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS—The February vouchers for the period ending March 8, 2023 totaling \$373,919.15 (#1 - #3 totaling \$249,679.69, #4 - #16 totaling \$20,484.72, #17 - #25 totaling \$15,319.66 #26 - #37 totaling \$10,780.10 and #38 - #64 totaling \$77,654.98) were approved (M/S Berschauer/Fuhriman – unanimous).

PUBLIC FORUM FOR CITIZEN’S COMMENTS AND APPLICATIONS –

None

GCHD Staff Spotlights—Theresa Adkinson

Video presented highlighting staff and work being done within GCHD, discussion held.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH – Stephanie Shopbell

Program Updates—Updates are on SharePoint; Stephanie did let the board know that EH is working with Department of Ecology on a waste tire clean up on a property in south county to be completed by June. EH is also working with Department of Health on two methamphetamine contaminated houses near Warden that need to be cleaned up, they are expecting to have it completed by March.

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Other Updates—None

HEALTHY COMMUNITIES AND FAMILIES (HCF) REPORT – Maria Vargas

Program Updates—Program updates are on SharePoint; discussion held.

Other Updates—Update to board; discussion held.

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

Program Updates—Laina gave an update to the board; discussion held.

Other Updates—None

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT -Theresa Adkinson

Financials—Report is on SharePoint, no questions.

Organization Chart Update—Theresa showed the board an updated copy; discussion held.

Other Updates—Theresa notified the board that there will be a Board of Health training for all members of the board including legal counsel, May 2-4, 2023. Those wishing to attend can notify Rita or Theresa.

Theresa asked board members to please provide a headshot of themselves to Lexi for GCHD website.

HEALTH OFFICER’S REPORT – Dr. Brzezny

Covid Trends—Included in PowerPoint; discussion held.

Respiratory Illnesses Season and Trends—Included in PowerPoint.

Drug Overdoses—Included in PowerPoint.

Food Botulism Investigation—Included in PowerPoint

Hazardous Materials Releases—Included in PowerPoint

Other Updates—None.

OTHER BUSINESS—None

ADJOURNMENT—With no other business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 p.m. (M/S Martinez/Stone – unanimous).

Tom Harris, Chairman Board of Health

ATTEST:

Rita Morfin, Board Clerk
