KITTITAS COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
Minutes

Wednesday, June 29, 2011
Upper County Courthouse
7:32 p.m.

PRESENT: Alan Crankovich, Paul Jewell, Obie O’Brien, Rich Elliott

Kittitas County Public Health Department Staff (KCPHD): Dr. Mark Larson, Linda Navarre, Amber Simon

Other Attendees: Jan Naragon (BOHAC), Suzanne Becker (Prosecutor’s Office)

called the meeting to order at 7:25

Minutes:
Approval of the May 19, 2011 minutes:

| Motion 06-01: Motion to approve the May 19, 2011 meeting minutes as presented. Rich Elliott moved to approve the May 19, 2011 meeting minutes as presented. Alan Crankovich second. All approved. Motion 06-01 carried to approve the May 19, 2011 minutes as presented. |

Introductions and Announcements: None

Introduction of BOHAC members: Jan Naragon

BOH Position Recommendation/Appointment: Jan Naragon informed the Board of Health that a committee of four BOHAC members interviewed the applicants. After the screening process, the committee unanimously agreed to recommend the appointment of Dr. John Asriel to the Board of Health.

| Motion 06-02: Motion to approve the appointment of Dr. John Asriel to the vacant community representative position on the Kittitas County Board of Health. Rich Elliott moved to approve the appointment of Dr. John Asriel to the vacant community representative position on the Kittitas County Board of Health. Alan Crankovich second. All approved. Motion 06-02 carried to approve the appointment of Dr. John Asriel to the vacant community representative position on the Kittitas County Board of Health. |

Discussion: Alan Crankovich stated that he felt comfortable following the recommendation of BOHAC. Obie O’Brien expressed his appreciation for Dr. Asriel’s willingness to volunteer for this position. Paul Jewell thanked the BOHAC committee for taking the time to do the interviews.

Contracts and Amendments: No Contracts this month.
Department Updates/Issues:

Health Officer Update: Dr. Larson discussed the recent concerns about Q fever in Grant County. It is a bacterial disease that is passed from goats to humans. The CDC sent out an epidemiology team to Grant County research to the outbreak. Goats have been sold to several states and other counties within our state. At this point it is unknown if this particular strain of the disease can transmit from human to human. Since some of the goats from Grant County have been sold to individuals in Kittitas County, there may be an impact on the county fair and it could become a public health issue in Kittitas County. The state veterinarian and Department of Agriculture are having conference calls every Friday to keep everyone updated on related issues. The only restrictions in place at this time are that those goats cannot be sold.

Dr. Larson also informed the board that Jackie Dawson, Linda Navarre and he will be joining hospital staff in making a measles presentation at the hospital on Thursday, June 30th.

Administrator’s Report: No administrator’s report this month

Business:

Financial Update: No financial update this month.

Resolution: Designating persons to administer the provisions of the Kittitas County Code: Suzanne Becker gave an overview of the resolution. The existing code contains names instead of positions. The proposed revision changes the individual names to position titles.

Motion 06-03: Motion to approve the resolution designating persons to administer the provisions of the Kittitas County Code. Rich Elliott moved to approve the resolution designating persons to administer the provisions of the Kittitas County Code. Alan Crankovich second. All approved. Motion 06-03 carried to approve the resolution designating persons to administer the provisions of the Kittitas County Code.

Other: Dr. Larson wanted to take the opportunity to acknowledge the efforts of James Rivard and Suzanne Becker on the cistern code. Paul Jewell acknowledged their work as well as the work done by Dr. Larson, the members of the Board of Health, and members of the community who provided input on this team effort.

Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Next Board of Health July 21, 2011 at 10:00 a.m., Commissioners’ Auditorium

Paul Jewell, Chair of the Board of Health

Candi Blackford, Clerk of the Board of Health