TUESDAY 2:00 P.M. JANUARY 10, 2012

Board members present: Chairman Alan Crankovich, Vice-Chairman Obie O’Brien and Commissioner Paul Jewell.

Others: Mandy Robinson, Deputy Clerk of the Board; Maria Canfield, Public Health Administrator; Mark Larson, Health Officer; Neil Caulkins, Deputy Prosecutor; Suzanne Becker, Deputy Prosecutor.

SPECIAL MEETING MYLARS SIGNING-KCPHD COMMISSIONERS

At 2:00 p.m. Chairman Crankovich opened a Special Meeting to discuss with County staff concerns regarding final mylar signing. He noted that there were two items added under Other Business to discuss with the Board at the end of the Special Meeting.

Maria Canfield, Public Health Administrator stated that she had a previous meeting with Dr. Larson, Health Officer and Suzanne Becker, Deputy Prosecutor regarding concerns that were surfacing relating to the final mylar signing by Dr. Larson, Health Officer. She explained that prompted her to request the Board set a meeting to discuss those concerns and see how they would like to address the issues. She presented the Board with a copy of Resolution# 2010-082 (Ratifying the Kittitas County Public Health Department Administrative Policy related to potable water supply for subdivisions). She stated that her proposal was to either rescind Resolution# 2010-082 or amend the Resolution, noting either option would change the way the County is doing business.

Suzanne Becker explained what options the Board has and what the consequences were attached to either option.

Commissioner Jewell questioned what the plan was to handle Administrative Segregations. Neil Caulkins indicated that process doesn’t involve the Public Health Department. Commissioner Jewell indicated that a survey was done previously when the Board considered the current process set by Resolution# 2010-082. He questioned if that was something they were going to do again. Dr. Larson indicated that they could have James Rivard, Environmental Health Supervisor send out another survey. Commissioner Jewell stated that he was anticipating a Public Hearing would be needed to consider changes. Neil Caulkins and Suzanne Becker reviewed how future mylars would need to be considered.
There was discussion about what point before or after Resolution # 2010-082 was the County in compliance.

Commissioner Crankovich asked Ms. Becker how long she would need to gather information and prepare documents for a Public Hearing. He questioned the benefit to having a timeline prepared for the Public Hearing, or was it even crucial at all. Commissioner Crankovich indicated that he would like to see a request to set a Public Hearing at the next Agenda session. He stressed the importance of getting this cleared up in a timely manner. Ms. Canfield stressed the importance of getting good, clear, simple information out for the public to digest. Commissioner Crankovich indicated that he would like to see the hearing take place in February but no later than March 6, 2012. He noted that prior to the hearing the Board needed follow up from staff so they have time to consider options.

OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner Crankovich indicated that recently a concerned citizen came into the Commissioner’s office and presented him with a copy of a Public Notice and a letter addressing his concerns along with additional supporting documents. He noted that there was a 30 day comment period that would be ending on 1/12/2012 (posted date 12/12/2011), stressing that the County has two days to respond. Ms. Canfield indicated that she would research the issue and request a hearing. Commissioner Crankovich asked her to find out what class of biosolids they are proposing.

Commissioner Crankovich stated that he had been approached by Judge Hurson, Lower District Court Judge to hire a temporary employee after they recently had an employee leave abruptly. He indicated that the request was to bring back a former employee that temp’s often in the office to allow them to try and bridge the gap of being down two employees. Commissioner O’Brien and Commissioner Jewell indicated they had no objection to LDC hiring a “temp”.

Meeting adjourned at 2:47 p.m.

DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD

Mandy Robinson

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Alan Crankovich, Chairman