



To Protect and Promote the Health and the Environment of the People of Kittitas County

Public Health Study Session
April 24, 2024 at 10:00 am
Commissioners' Conference Room
Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Brett Wachsmith, Laura Osiacz, Cory Wright, Dr. Larson, Chelsey Loeffers, Erin Moore

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 am

Citizen Comment (1 minute time limit)

A member of the public suggested that the county put the entire department name on the meeting agendas instead of an abbreviation or acronym.

Department Business

Resolution to close to the public for all staff training 6/7/24

Chelsey Loeffers requested that the resolution to close to the public for all staff training be removed from the agenda. Staff plan to move this training day to fall 2024.

Approve title change from Supervisor to Manager

Chelsey presented that she has been working with HR on changing titles of KCPHD supervisors from supervisor to manager to reflect the level of leadership/workload associated with these positions. The title changes do not have any budget impact. The BOCC approved the title change and directed staff to prepare documents to support the change.

Approve temporary Homelessness and Affordable Housing Committee (HAHC) proposal scoring matrix and supporting documents

Chelsey presented the amended scoring matrix for the affordable housing committee to use to score the Oddfellows application. She presented the temporary scoring matrix and explained the process the department went through to develop the matrix. She also reviewed the proposed timeline associated with this work.

APPROVED

9-17-24



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The BOCC approved the temporary Homelessness and Affordable Housing Committee proposal scoring matrix and supporting documents and directed staff to use them for the pending HAHC proposal.

Approve Resolution to Authorize the Allocation of Document Recording Surcharge Fee Administrative Allowance to the Kittitas County Public Health Department

Approve Resolution to Authorize the Allocation of Affordable and Supportive Housing Sales Tax Administrative Allowance to the Kittitas County Public Health Department

Chelsey presented the resolutions and there was discussion about how the allocations were determined. Ms. Loeffers mentioned that any amount not used will go into fund balance to be redistributed.

Commissioner Osiadacz made a motion to approve Resolution to Authorize the Allocation of Document Recording Surcharge Fee Administrative Allowance to Kittitas County Public Health and Resolution to Authorize the Allocation of Affordable and Supportive Housing Sales Tax Administrative Allowance to the Kittitas County Public Health Department. Commissioner Wright seconded. All approved, motion passes.

Health Officer update

Dr. Larson asked the BOCC if there were any topics that they would like him to bring to future meetings. Cory requested if Julie Peterson would like to present to the BOCC about the hospital. KCPHD will talk to the hospital about a presentation in the future.

Dr. Larson also discussed:

- Hospital capacity.
- Healthcare access
- AI in healthcare
- PFAS-EPA, water purveyors
- H5N1 "Bird Flu"
- Data modernization



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There was discussion about broadband efforts that improve access to telehealth.

Concluded at :11am

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Brett Wachsmith, BOCC Chair

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Erin Moore, Clerk