

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

# KITTITAS COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH (BOH) Meeting Minutes October 21, 2021 WebEx 10:00 am

#### **Present**

Board of Health (BOH): Cory Wright, Laura Osiadacz, Dede Utley, John Asriel M.D.,

#### Absent: Brett Wachsmith

<u>Public Health</u>: Audelia Martinez, Chelsey Loeffers, Cambron Walker, Candi Blackford, Erin Moore, Jesse Cox, Kasey Knutson, Kate Johnson, Katie Odiaga, Tristen Lamb, Mark Larson M.D., Mackenzie Carter, Lianne Bradshaw, Marie Betts.

Other:

Meeting called to order at 10:00 am

Introductions No introductions needed

#### **Minutes**

Motion to approve the September 16, 2021 Board of Health meeting minutes.

Motion 10-01: Motion to approve the September 16, 2021 Board of Health meeting minutes. Dede Utley moved to approve the September 16, 2021 Board of Health meeting minutes. Cory Wright second. All approved. Motion 10-01 carried to approve the September 16, 2021 Board of Health meeting minutes.

Public Comment Opened at 10:02 am

Public Comment Closed at 10:02 am

#### BOHAC Update

Tristen Lamb stated that Board of Health Advisory Committee did not meet since last Board of Health meeting and there is no update.

#### Department updates

<u>Health Officer Update</u> Dr. Mark Larson updated the board on the following topics:

- COVID-19 Reflective Reproductive number in Kittitas County
- COVID-19 Case Counts
- COVID-19 Vaccination rates
- Masking Behavior and Vaccination Status data
- Breakthrough Cases
- Booster doses
- Pediatric Pfizer doses

#### **Director's Report**

Ms. Lamb updated the board on the following topics:

• Staff Updates

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- o Dora Beukelman new COVID-19 Project Specialist
- Kate Johnson, new Communicable Disease Supervisor
- New positions that have been posted or will be posted soon
- COVID-19 vaccination requirements update for KCPHD
- Vaccination administration at KCPHD
- KCPHD Leadership Retreat
- 1152 implementation and BOH member recruitment
- Kittitas County Health Network CHA/CHIP process

Question and discussion on what types of vaccine the health department is going to be administering in the future and what types of vaccines the department will be offering. There was also discussion about what medical needs the jail has and what sort of level of health professional may be needed to meet their needs.

## **Business**

## Flu Vaccination Promotion Update

Chelsey Loeffers gave an update on funding received for childhood vaccine promotion with an emphasis on flu vaccine.

## Environmental Health-Upcoming Code Revisions

Jesse Cox gave an update on the code revisions that are being worked to ensure reflection of current standards.

Question and discussion on where the test that licensed installers have to take comes from, KCPHD generates that test and is specific to County code. There was also a discussion on section 1304.050 of the document and the need to clarify language surrounding that section. There was a clarifying question regarding the WAC that give local county the authority to license septic installers.

## BOH Member Recruitment Special Purpose Committee – ACTION/DIRECTION REQUESTED Ms. Lamb asked for approval for the formation of the Special Purpose Committee for the new BOH member for up

to 5 BOHAC members and/or 1 BOH member.

Cory Wright motioned to approve the formation of the Special Purpose Committee of up to 5 BOHAC members and 1 BOH member, and Dede Utley second. There was a discussion about the formation of the Special Purpose Committee and if a BOH member should participate in the Special Purpose Committee.

## Motion to approve amended motion to form a Special Purpose Committee without a BOH member.

Motion 10-02: Motion to approve amended motion to form a Special Purpose Committee without a BOH member. Cory Wright moved to approve amended motion to form a Special Purpose Committee without a BOH member. Dr. John Asriel second. All approved. Motion 10-02 carried to approve the forming of a Special Purpose Committee without a BOH member.

## 2022 Budget Presentation

Ms. Lamb presented to BOH an updated budget narrative 2022:

- Increases in revenue
- Anticipation of revenue decrease
- Department composition for 2022
- Revenue breakdown
- Expenditures
- Admission tax: County's investment in public health
- Core Services Report

There was a question and discussion regarding future clinical services funding.

## 2022 Fee Discussion

Ms. Lamb explained what a recover cost model is and asked for approval of pausing environmental health fee changes until full cost recovery is determined in 2022.

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There was a question and discussion about clarifying what services are not appropriately billed and how those services are covered.

Cory Wright motioned for the approval of pausing the 2022 environmental health fee changes as is. Dr. John Asriel second. There was a discussion of decreasing the fees that were set to be decreased while keeping the other fees as is.

Motion to approve amended motion to decrease the fees that are set to be decreased and keep other fees as is. Motion 10-03: Motion to approve amended motion to decrease the fees that are set to be decreased and keep other fees as is. Dr. John Asriel moved to approve amended motion to decrease fees that are set to be decreased and keep other fees the same. Laura Osiadacz second. All approved. Motion 10-03 carried to decrease the fees that are set to be decreased and keep other fees as is.

Meeting adjourned at 11:51 am

Tristen Lamb, Director Kittitas County Public Health

Brett Wachsmith, Chair of the Board of Health

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Audelia Y. Martinez, Clerk of the Board of Health