

**KITTITAS COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH (BOH)  
Meeting Minutes  
February 17, 2022  
Commissioners' Auditorium and WebEx  
10:00am**

**Present**

**Board of Health (BOH):** Cory Wright, Dede Utley, Brett Wachsmith, John Asriel M.D, James Donaldson

**Absent:** Laura Osiadacz,

**Public Health:** Audelia Martinez, Cambron Walker, Candi Blackford, Erin Moore, Jesse Cox, Kasey Knutson, Chelsey Loeffers, Katie Odiaga, Tristen Lamb, Mark Larson M.D., Mackenzie Carter, Marie Betts, Rebekah Moon

**Other:**

*Meeting called to order at 10:13am*

**BOH Public Hearing to consider the following:**

- Consider revisions to Kittitas County Code Chapter 13.04 On-Site Sewage Disposal Systems

Jesse Cox presented the revisions to Kittitas County Code Chapter 13.04 On-Site Sewage Disposal Systems.

Public comment opened.

Paula McMinn gave a public comment regarding why the health department is not more involved in lead tests, and why the health department is not more involved in ensuring that lead does not get where it does not belong.

Public comment closed.

Motion to continue this public hearing considering revisions to Kittitas County Code Chapter 13.04 On-Site Sewage Disposal Systems to the March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022 for clarification of 4 terms.

**Motion 02-01: Motion to continue this public hearing considering revisions to Kittitas County Code Chapter 13.04 On-Site Sewage Disposal Systems to the March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022 for clarification of 4 terms.  
Cory Wright moved to continue this public hearing considering revisions to Kittitas County Code Chapter 13.04 On-Site Sewage Disposal Systems to the March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022 for clarification of 4 terms. Brett Wachsmith second.  
All approved. Motion 02-01 carried to continue this public hearing considering revisions to Kittitas County Code Chapter 13.04 On-Site Sewage Disposal Systems to the March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022 for clarification of 4 terms.**

Cory Wright suggested that the terms septage, sewage, sanitary privy, and chemical toilet be clarified and defined for the continuation of this public hearing for the March 2022 meeting.

**BOCC Public Hearing to consider the following:**

- Consider revisions to Kittitas County Code Chapter 13.04 On-Site Sewage Disposal Systems

Public comment opened.

Paula McMinn gave a public comment regarding lead levels, woodfire smoke and wildfire smoke and how that affects the environment and people.

Public comment closed.

Motion to continue this public hearing considering revisions to Kittitas County Code Chapter 13.04 On-Site Sewage Disposal Systems to the March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022 for clarification of 4 terms.

**Motion 02-02: Motion to continue this public hearing considering revisions to Kittitas County Code Chapter 13.04 On-Site Sewage Disposal Systems to the March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022 for clarification of 4 terms. Brett Wachsmith moved to continue this public hearing considering revisions to Kittitas County Code Chapter 13.04 On-Site Sewage Disposal Systems to the March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022 for clarification of 4 terms. Cory Wright second. All approved. Motion 02-02 carried to continue this public hearing considering revisions to Kittitas County Code Chapter 13.04 On-Site Sewage Disposal Systems to the March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022 for clarification of 4 terms.**

Same suggestions as BOH, clarification of terms septage, sewage, sanitary privy, and chemical toilet.

### **Continuation of BOH meeting**

#### **Introductions**

Pam Tuggle-Miles-Community Health of Central Washington

James Donaldson was introduced as the new Board of Health member.

#### **Minutes**

Motion to approve the January 20, 2022 Board of Health meeting minutes.

**Motion 02-03: Motion to approve the January 20, 2022 Board of Health meeting minutes. Cory Wright moved to approve the January 20, 2022 Board of Health meeting minutes. Brett Wachsmith second. All approved. Motion 02-03 carried to approve the January 20, 2022 Board of Health meeting minutes.**

Public Comment Opened at 10:38am

Public Comment Closed at 10:38am

#### **Department updates**

##### **Health Officer Update**

Dr. Mark Larson updated the board on the following topics:

- COVID-19 data in the United States and Washington
- Kittitas County COVID-19 numbers
- Disease trend high, but decreasing
- Hospitalization rates
- Influenza
- Vaccination rates
- Mental health

Discussion on COVID-19 treatments and if they are over the counter or prescription only and clarification on cases per 100,000.

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

Ms. Lamb updated the board on the following topics:

- Leadership team attended "Presenting Confidently and Concisely" workshop on January 28, with six 1-on-1 coaching sessions for supervisors and coordinators
- Process Improvements by QI Coordinator, Erin Moore: Future Fee Schedules, Public Hearings, Notices
- New BOH member, James Donaldson
- New Public Health Director, Chelsey Loeffers
- New Health Promotion Supervisor, Audi Martinez
- 1152 Implementation Progress update
- Additional Code Revisions & Public Hearing
- Proclamation Declaring National Public Health Week (April)

**Other Business**

**Communications Presentation from Margaret Reich**

Ms. Reich gave an overview on the work she has been doing with the Kittitas County Public Health Department regarding primary messaging around COVID-19.

Discussion on how long Ms. Reich has been working on messaging campaign.

**2020-2021 Annual Report**

Kasey Knutson gave a presentation on the condensed version of the annual report and gave information on the following:

- KCPHD continued work on non-COVID-19 related things
- Front desk bringing in more business from even outside the county due to their customer service

**Annual BOH Member Orientation**

Tristen Lamb did the annual BOH Member Orientation to Board members via a pop-quiz.

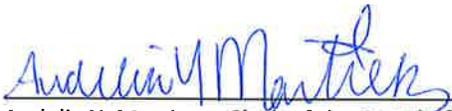
Meeting adjourned at 11:47am



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Dede Utley, Vice-Chair of the Board of Health



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Tristen Lamb, Director  
Kittitas County Public Health



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Audelia Y. Martinez, Clerk of the Board of Health