



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

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**Joint BOCC/BOH Public Hearing  
Meeting Minutes  
December 17, 2020  
WebEx Meeting  
10:00 a.m.**

**Present**

**Board of Health (BOH):** Brett Wachsmith, Laura Osiadacz, Cory Wright, Dede Utley

**Absent:** John Asriel

**Public Health:** Tristen Lamb, Jesse Cox, Chelsey Loeffers, Katie Odiaga

*Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m.*

Tristen Lamb reviewed the staff report for the 2021 Public Health Fee Schedule. Ms. Lamb gave a brief overview of non-monetary, non-environmental health fee changes to the fee schedule policy, including language regarding clinic services, and vital records.

Jesse Cox gave the board an overview of the 2021 proposed changes to the environmental health fees, which included information regarding feedback from stakeholders and the decrease in fees, and wanting to see an increase in staffing. Mr. Cox reviewed three fee scenarios for the board; proposed fees as is, proposed fees adding an additional staff person at 0.6 FTE, and, proposed fees adding an additional staff person at 1.0 FTE.

There were questions from the board regarding OSS fees and staffing. Public health staff answered all questions.

Public Comment open at 10:23 am

Pat Deneen voiced concern regarding the fees for Group A Water System adequate water supply determination applications. Mr. Deneen requested the fee and time for processing be re-evaluated.

Public Comment closed at 10:26 am

There was discussion about the Group A Water System adequate water supply determination application fees, and their breakout on the fee schedule, and fee methodology. The board expressed their support for hiring an addition full time staff member in the environmental health division.

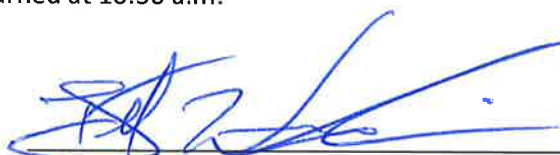
Brett Wachsmith asked for a motion to approve BOH Resolution 2020-004.

**Motion 12-01: Motion to approve BOH Resolution 2020-004 approving the 2021 Kittitas County Public Health Fee Schedule. Cory Wright moved to approve the BOH Resolution 2020-227 approving the 2021 Kittitas County Public Health Fee Schedule as presented. Laura Osiadacz second. All approved. Motion 12-01 carried to approve BOH Resolution 2020-004 approving the 2021 Kittitas County Public Health Fee Schedule as presented.**

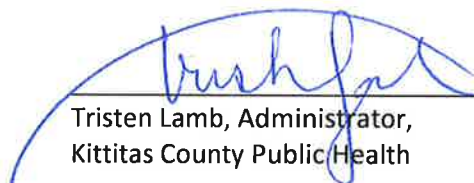
Brett Wachsmith asked for a motion to approve BOCC Resolution 2020-227

**Motion 12-02: Motion to approve BOCC Resolution 2020-227 adopting the 2021 Kittitas County Public Health Fee Schedule as presented. Cory Wright moved to approve the BOCC Resolution 2020-227 adopting the 2021 Kittitas County Public Health Fee Schedule as presented. Laura Osiadacz second. All approved. Motion 12-02 carried to BOCC Resolution 2020-227 adopting the 2021 Kittitas County Public Health Fee Schedule.**

Joint BOCC/BOH Public Hearing Meeting adjourned at 10:36 a.m.



Brett Wachsmith, Chair of the Board of Health



Tristen Lamb, Administrator,  
Kittitas County Public Health



Katie Odiaga, Clerk of the Board of Health

**KITTITAS COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
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**Absent:** John Asriel

**Public Health:** Tristen Lamb, Jesse Cox, Chelsey Loeffers, Katie Odiaga

**Other:** Rich Elliott, Incident Command

*Meeting called to order at 10:36 am*

**Introductions**

Introductions were completed.

**Minutes**

Motion to approve the November 24, 2020 Board of Health meeting minutes

**Motion 12-01: Motion to approve the November 24, 2020, Board of Health meeting minutes. Dede Utle moved to approve the November 24, 2020 Board of Health meeting minutes. Laura Osiadacz second. All approved. Motion 12-01 carried to approve the November 24, 2020 Board of Health meeting minutes.**

**Business**

**COVID-19 Vaccine Update**

Rich Elliot provided an update regarding the COVID-19 vaccine in Kittitas County. Kittitas County will receive Pfizer/BioNTech Vaccine. Mr. Elliot updated the board on vaccine storage and distribution, as well as information about mRNA vaccine.

There was discussion regarding vaccine distribution, and scheduling while accommodating possible immune response/reactions.

**Department Updates**

**COVID/Health Officer Update**

Dr. Larson updated the board on Central Washington University case and contact investigations, as well as testing of students. Dr. Larson also gave an update regarding COVID-19 and K-12 schools in Kittitas County. Rapid antigen testing in Kittitas County was also discussed. Dr. Larson discussed the new Center for Disease Control quarantine requirements. The new COVID notification system was also reviewed. Dr. Larson informed the board of the case numbers for COVID in Kittitas County following Thanksgiving and going into Christmas.

There were questions from the board regarding information from Governor Inslee vs. the effects it will have on Kittitas County Schools. There was also discussion about the community information forum, and spreading more information about COVID symptoms, and staying home when sick.

2021 Final Budget

Tristen Lamb briefly updated the board on the 2021 Public Health budget. Ms. Lamb noted that the budget will be update with the approved 2021 fees, and that there will likely be budgets amendments in the future. Ms. Lamb also briefly touched on Governor Inslee's proclamation about the dissolution of Health Districts, as well as some funding coming down from the state level for Public Health.


Other

Board of Health Meeting adjourned at 11:38am



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