



CLALLAM COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

MINUTES of April 19, 2022 @ 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Clallam County Courthouse

Board of Commissioners Meeting Room 160

223 E. 4th Street Port Angeles, WA 98362

Meeting was held via Zoom (Video conference)

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CLALLAM COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Members present were Commissioners Ozias; Commissioner Johnson; Commissioner Peach; At Large Representative, Dr. Gerald Stephanz; Vice-Chair, Shahida Shirir; City Representative, Navarra Carr; Health and Human Services represented by Dr. Allison Berry, Health Officer; Kevin LoPiccolo, Director; Jennifer Oppelt, Deputy Director; and Jennifer Garcelon, Environmental Health Director.

Members excused: Don Lawley.

Request for Modifications/Approval of Agenda

Kevin LoPiccolo requested that Clallam Transit letter of support for Zero Emissions Electric Buses be moved from Discussion to Presentations, after Clallam County Cares Campaign.

ACTION TAKEN: Commissioner Ozias moved, Commissioner Peach seconded to approve the modification of the agenda.

Approval of Draft Meeting Minutes for March 15, 2022

ACTION TAKEN: Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve the draft minutes. The Board had unanimous consent to approve the meeting minutes from the March 15, 2022 meeting.

Public Comment for Agenda Items

Joe Kunzler – Skagit County: Mr. Kunzler commented on US airlines repealing enforcement of mask mandates.

Ed Bowen-Clallam Bay: Mr. Bowen commented on having difficulty contacting County staff relating to the Affordable Housing tax.

Introductions: Vice Chair, Shahida Shirir, introduced Black Ball Marketing staff.

Presentations and Discussion

Black Ball Marketing-Clallam County Cares Campaign:

Jessica Wiersma and Ryan Malane gave a recap of the Clallam County Cares (COVID 19 vaccination outreach) Campaign. Discussion followed. A PowerPoint presentation was presented.

<https://clallamcountycares.com>

Clallam Transit-Kevin Gallacci:

Kevin Gallacci asked for Board support of Clallam Transit's grant application 5339(b) Grant for Bus, and Bus Facilities, and 5339(c) Low or No Emissions Grant, through the Washington State Department of Transportation. The funds will go toward the purchase of (3) heavy-duty clean diesel (biodiesel compatible) replacement buses, and three (3) electric heavy-duty replacement buses, and supporting charging infrastructure.

ACTION TAKEN: Commissioner Ozias made a motion, Commissioner Peach second.
Hearing no opposition, the Board had unanimous consent to approve the letter of support presented.

2021 Environmental Health Annual Report:

Jennifer Garcelon, Clallam County Environmental Health Director, presented the 2021 Environmental Health Annual Report. Discussion followed.

Clallam County Community Health Assessment Update:

Mondana Madjdi presented a progress update and timeline on the Clallam County Community Health Assessment. Discussion followed

Medical Respite Program Update:

Karissa McLean presented a progress update on the Medical Respite Program. Discussion followed.

Old Business and Informational Items: None.

Health Officer COVID-19 update:

Dr. Berry spoke on current statistics, and reported case numbers. She spoke about difficulty with case ascertainment and in home testing. Clallam County just changed the reporting method from a phone to an online form system that has been in use by Jefferson County, which has improved reporting. Due to that, we are likely to see case numbers rise. She continues to encourage masking in indoor settings, vaccination, and boosters. She cautioned that while the mask mandates were lifted on public transportation, she continues to encourage people to wear them. Discussion followed.

Environmental Health Director-Jennifer Garcelon - None

HHS Director-Kevin LoPiccolo - None.

Public Comment

Joe Kunzler-Skagit County: Mr. Kunzler commented on his disappointment that mask mandates were lifted on public transportation.

Ed Bowen-Clallam Bay: Mr. Bowen commented on the COVID 19 online reporting system that Clallam just released, and asked about guidance on the 2nd booster.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 3:43 p.m.

Next Meeting – May 17, 2022.

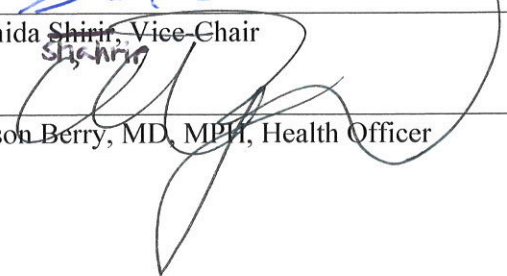
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 17th day of May, 2022

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ATTEST:


Celia Thompson, Clerk of the Board


Shahida Shirir, Vice Chair


Allison Berry, MD, MPH, Health Officer