CLALLAM COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

MINUTES of April16, 2024 @ 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 Chair, Mike French; Commissioner Mark Ozias; Commissioner Randy Johnson; Vice-Chair, Shahida Shahrir; City Council Member Representative, Jeff Gingell; Community Stakeholder, Dr. Gerald Stephanz; Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe, Paul Cunningham; Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe, Tia Skerbeck; Consumer of Public Health, Helen Kenoyer; Health Officer, Dr. Allison Berry; HHS Director, Kevin LoPiccolo; HHS Deputy Director, Jennifer Oppelt; Environmental Health Director, Jennifer Garcelon

Members absent: None.

Request for Modifications/Approval of Agenda
Commissioner Randy Johnson made a motion to approve the agenda, Helen Kenoyer seconded. Agenda approved.

ACTION TAKEN: The Board had unanimous consent to approve the agenda.

Approval of Draft Meeting Minutes for March 19, 2024
Commissioner Randy Johnon made a motion to approve the meeting minutes; Tia Skerbeck noted that she did not second the minutes and that it was Helen Kenoyer. Dr. Stephanz made a motion to approve the minutes with the change of second to be Helen Kenoyer, Paul Cunnigham seconded. Minutes approved as noted.

Action Items:
None.

Public Comment for Agenda Items:
Ms. Zelenka sent an email, and it was handed out to the board members.

Health Officer – Infectious Disease Update – Dr. Berry
Dr. Berry reported that flu and RSV has ended, and Covid-19 is down trending. Covid-19 seems to be following a seasonal pattern. Measles cases are on the rise nationwide with the nearest in Clark and Spokane Counties. The highly pathogenic Avian Influenza has started to be seen in dairy cattle and people. There are 13 cases so far, 5 severe and 2 deaths. It has shown up in the milk supply of infected cows. Discussion followed.

Old Business and Information Items: updated on Medical Respite by Olympic Peninsula Community Clinic (OPCC)
Viola Ware, Robin Ryan, and T. Scott Brandon presented their program and upcoming needs. Discussion followed.

Discussion Items: Review of the proposed draft Environmental Health Division Fee Schedule and Call for Public Hearing.
The board reviewed the proposed fee schedule. Discussion followed. Commissioner Mark Ozias made a motion to approve Fee Schedule, Option C; Commissioner Randy Johnson seconded. Fee Schedule Option C passed unanimously to move forward at public hearing.

Commissioner Ozias made a motion to set a public hearing to be held on May 21, 2024, in order to receive public comments on Fee Schedule option C, and to repeal the current fee schedule and replace it with new Fee Schedule. All approved, motion passed.

Board of Health Hearings:
None.

Board of Health Presentations:
None.

Environmental Health Director - Jennifer Garcelon
None.

HHS Director- Kevin LoPiccolo
Clallam Bay HRHC is moving forward as the church has agreed to rent it and reduce the cost to $600.00 per month. Three new employees were recently hired: Prevention Specialist for HRHC, WIC Support Specialist, Communications Specialist. Next month two new hires will start, a Public Health Nurse and a Customer Services Specialist.

Public Comment
None.

Adjournment
Meeting was adjourned at 3:21 p.m.

Next Meeting – May 21, 2024

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 21 day of May, 2024

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Mike French, Chair

Allison Berry, MD, MPH, Health Officer

ATTEST:

Nan Furferd, Clerk of the Board