



CLALLAM COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

MINUTES of March 16, 2021 @ 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 BlueJeans (Video conference)

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CLALLAM COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Navarra Carr, Chair called the meeting to order at 1:30pm.

Members Present: Commissioners Johnson, Ozias and Peach, Dr. Gerald Stephanz, Don Lawley, Shahida Shahrir, Jennifer Garcelon, Kevin LoPiccolo and Dr. Allison Berry

- **Call to Order, Roll Call**

- **Request for Modifications/Approval of Agenda**

ACTION TAKEN: CJm to approve the agenda as presented, CPs; mc

- **Approval of Draft Meeting Minutes for February 16, 2021**

ACTION TAKEN: COM to approve the minutes as presented, DLs; mc

- **Public Comment for Agenda Items – Please limit comments to three minutes**

Commissioner Mark Ozias mentioned the emailed public comment from Ed Bowen regarding moving to Phase 3. E-mail attached.

- **Introductions**

None

- **Presentations and Discussion**

None

- **Board of Health Member Discussion**

- *HB 1152*

- Public Health – Post COVID-19

Commissioner Bill Peach gave an update on the House Bill 1152. The Board of Health discussed in detail what this bill will mean for our county post COVID-19. In the House Bill is discussion of Public Health distribution of funds, which at this time is not 100% clear. In this HB 1152 fees and taxes would be managed by the County Commissioners. The Board discussed adding members to the Board of Health which is described in the HB 1152 which could potentially include a Tribal Representative and a Resident receiving Public Health services. The Board sees this bill as more funding but more rules for Public Health.

Dr. Berry said up until COVID-19 Public Health didn't have adequate staff and hopes to see that continue so Public Health can work on other communicable diseases and Public Health issues. Dr. Berry listed what she hopes Public Health can tackle and work on post COVID-19.

- **Old Business and Information Items**

- **Health Officer**

- *COVID-19 Update*

Dr. Berry said that Clallam County currently has 1,030 documented COVID-19 cases. At the time of the meeting the rate was 34 COVID cases per 100,000 and currently at the moderate range which is plateauing. Clallam County has had no hospitalization in 5 weeks. Dr. Berry said that the COVID cases are now being seen more often in younger people and kids and she worries that another wave of an increase of COVID cases is on the way if people don't take this seriously. Clallam County is currently the second highest in the state for having people be vaccinated. Jefferson County is first. Mass vaccination clinics are every weekend and going well.

- **Environmental Health Director**

- **HHS Director**

Kevin LoPiccolo gave the update that Health and Human Services is still working with Serenity House and the City of Port Angeles to build a 400sq foot homeless shelter by Serenity House.

- **Public Comment**

Gayle Brauner emailed public comment (e-mail attached). Gayle then was able to figure out how to get on Blue Jeans and her questions were addressed and answered by the Board of Health.

- **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 2:47pm.

NEXT MEETING – April 20, 2021

Lierly, Chelsea

From: Ozias, Mark
Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 1:17 PM
To: Lierly, Chelsea
Subject: FW: CC Board Of Health Public Comment for 16 March 2021

FYI, just came in

From: Ed B. [yellowbanks@hotmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 1:04 PM
To: ncarr@cityofpa.us; dclawley@msn.com; gbsjrm@sisna.com; Peach, Bill; Johnson, Randy; Ozias, Mark
Subject: CC Board Of Health Public Comment for 16 March 2021

*** EXTERNAL EMAIL *** This message was sent from outside our County network.

Back in the beginning of Covid when "everything" shut down, I commented to you the Board of Health a need to promote a plan for reopening the government functions and services; in particular my intent was all the government staff sent home to protect against the spread of the virus. The message to the public was government became disenfranchised in how it was to serve the public it is responsible for. The best example was the closure of getting vehicle registration renewal, expected to still pay the money but the only open for business means were the two contract centers in Sequim and Forks.

This disenfranchisement continues today, though improved still the lights are out in many ways. With the decisions you are making today which I suspect include the Phase 3 move on March 22, it is imperative to the public of this county, city, state to understand that in reopening business/physical presence it is just as important for the government to do the same. Please take the necessary steps and discussion to improve upon the rationale for having government services.

Ed Bowen
P.O. Box 111
Clallam Bay, WA 98326

The new board member is not listed on the website, please extend to them my request through comment.

Lierly, Chelsea

From: Gayle Brauner <gaylebrauner@icloud.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 2:31 PM
To: Lierly, Chelsea
Subject: Re: Board of Health mtg

*** EXTERNAL EMAIL *** This message was sent from outside our County network.

OK, I'll try blue jeans on my computer.

Here is my first question, with a second that's related.

- 1) Does the Board of Health work in conjunction with the PA police department and the County Sheriff dept. to provide officer education about COVID 19 and mandates, such as wearing masks, spatial distancing, when they make calls to crime scenes?
- 2) When officers and deputies don't want to comply, what are the next steps in place to help them to overcome their biases, misinformation, and reluctance?

On March 16, 2021 at 2:24 PM, "Lierly, Chelsea" <clierly@co.clallam.wa.us> wrote:

Hi Gayle,

If you want to email your Public Comment we can read it, otherwise yes unmute your phone.

If you can, joining via BlueJeans Video is the easiest to unmute on your phone or computer.

Thank you!

Chelsea

From: Gayle Brauner [<mailto:gaylebrauner@icloud.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 2:22 PM
To: Lierly, Chelsea
Subject: Board of Health mtg

Chelsea,

I joined the meeting now using live streaming.

During the ending public comments, will I be able to speak and be heard on live streaming? If so, do I need to unmute somewhere or ... How?

Or should I join using the blue jeans video?

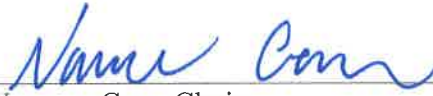
Thanks

Gayle

360-809-4717

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 20th day of April, 2021

CLALLAM COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH


Navarra Carr, Chair


Allison Berry, MD, MPH, Health Officer

ATTEST:


Chelsea Lierly, Clerk of the Board

KEY TO ABBREVIATIONS

GS	Dr. Gerald Stephanz
DL	Don Lawley
NC	Navarra Carr
CJ	Commissioner Johnson
CO	Commissioner Ozias
CP	Commissioner Peach
KL	Kevin LoPiccolo
AB	Dr. Allison Berry
JG	Jennifer Garcelon

m	motion
mc	motion carried
s	seconded