



CLALLAM COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

MINUTES of January 19, 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

Dr. Gerald Stephanz, Chair called the meeting to order at 1:30pm.

Members Present: Commissioners Johnson, Ozias and Peach, Navarra Carr, Don Lawley, Jennifer Garcelon and Dr. Allison Berry

- **Call to Order, Roll Call**
- **Request for Modifications/Approval of Agenda**
ACTION TAKEN: COM to approve the agenda as presented, CPs; mc
- **Approval of Draft Meeting Minutes for December 15, 2020**
No meeting minutes
- **Public Comment for Agenda Items – Please limit comments to three minutes**

Lindsey Schromen-Warwin invited the Board of Health members to a meeting that coincides with the topic “Racism is a Public Health Concern” that will be discussed at a later Board of Health meeting.

- **Introductions**
None
- **Presentations and Discussion**
 - *Olympic Community of Health Presentation – Celeste Schoenthaler and Amy Brandt*
Commissioner Mark Ozias introduced Celeste and Amy to talk about Olympic Community of Health and the Medicaid Transformation Project. Celeste and Amy gave their presentation and the six areas that the Olympic Region is focused on; Integrated Care, Jail & Emergency Diversion, Opioid Response, Reproductive & Child Health, Oral Health and Chronic Disease Prevention. The Olympic Region is Clallam, Jefferson and Kitsap County.
- **Board of Health Member Discussion**
 - *Membership*
 - Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for 2021
ACTION TAKEN: COM to nominate Navarra Carr as Chair and DLM to nominate Dr. Gerald Stephanz as Vice-Chair for 2021. The Board unanimously agreed; mc
 - Review Applications for Vacant At-Large Representative Position
The Board of Health discussed that the Executive Committee will meet to discuss the applications and at the February meeting bring a recommendation to

the Board of Health on which applicant they believe should take the vacant position.

- **Old Business and Information Items**

- **Health Officer**

- *COVID-19 Update*

- **Vaccine Distribution**

Dr. Berry stated that at the time of the meeting there were 875 documented cases of COVID-19 in Clallam County which puts Clallam County at 151 per 100,000, 823 of those cases have made a full recovery. There was a small New Year's surge.

There is a new more infectious strain of COVID-19, first documented in United Kingdom, none in Clallam County but has been found in Washington State.

Dr. Berry discussed the vaccine and not having a reliable and adequate supply of the vaccine. Clallam County finds out 48 hours in advance if/when the county is going to receive more supply of the COVID-19 vaccine, which makes planning difficult. The distribution of the COVID-19 vaccine in the county has gone really well so far. Clallam County has been the fastest in the state at getting the vaccine out to the community. On the day of the meeting, 7,520 citizens had been vaccinated. Vaccine clinics that are currently being done in Sequim, Port Angeles, and Forks will continue.

- **Environmental Health Director**

Jennifer Garcelon stated that half of her staff works in some way with COVID-19 and assisting in the mass vaccination clinics.

- **HHS Director**

Kevin LoPiccolo gave an update on the Social Distancing Center. There was 45 people staying at the shelter and currently there are 12 staff members. Kevin also gave an update on Laurel Black Design and her continued work with designing and implementing for COVID-19.

- **Public Comment**

- **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 3:13pm.

NEXT MEETING – February 16, 2021

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 16th day of February, 2021

CLALLAM COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

approved telephonically, Navarra Carr
Navarra Carr, Chair



Allison Berry, MD, MPH, Health Officer

ATTEST:

Chelsea Lierly

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