



CLALLAM COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
AGENDA of December 17, 2024 @ 1:30 – 3:30 pm
Clallam County Courthouse
Board of Commissioners Meeting Room 160
223 E. 4th Street
Port Angeles, WA 98362

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- Call to Order
- Roll Call
- Request for Modifications/Approval of Agenda
- Approval of Draft Meeting Minutes for October 15, 2024
- Action Items: None
- Public Comment for Agenda Items – *Please limit comments to three minutes*
- Health Officer: Infectious Disease Update
- Old Business and Information Items: None
- Discussion Items:
 - 1. Olympic Medical Center and Forks Community Hospital Annual Update
- Board of Health Presentations: None
- Board of Health Public Hearings: None
- Environmental Health Director
- HHS Director
- Future meeting agenda items:
 - 1. Vaccination Rates

2. Air Quality and Noise Committee

3. Climate Change
4. Update on Behavioral Health Organization (BHO)
5. Olympic Peninsula Healthy Communities Coalition

- Public Comment – *Please limit comments to three minutes*
- Adjournment

NEXT MEETING – January 21, 2025

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SPEAKING AT A BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING:

- Members of the public wishing to address the Board on general items may do so during the designated times on the agenda.
- Members of the public wishing to comment at the public hearing are asked to sign in on the sheet provided giving their name and place of residence.
- The Chair may limit the comment period to 3 minutes for each speaker subject to Board concurrence.
- Speakers, generally, will be heard in the order they signed up. All comments must be made from the speaker's rostrum and any individual making comments shall first state their name and address for the official record.
- General comments, applause, booing from members of the audience are inappropriate and may result in removal.

These guidelines are intended to promote an orderly system for conducting a public meeting/hearing so that each person has an opportunity to be heard and to ensure that exercising their right of free speech embarrasses no one.

Note: Written testimony presented by members of the public during the Board meeting is considered a public document and must be submitted to the Clerk of the Board. Copies of public documents from Board meetings are available by contacting the Public Records Department.

Members:

Chair, Mike French; Vice-Chair, Shahida Shahrir; Dr. Gerald Stephanz; Tia Skerbeck;
Paul Cunningham; Jeff Gingell; Mark Ozias and Randy Johnson

Health and Human Services Staff:

Dr. Allison Berry, Health Official; Kevin LoPiccolo, Director; Jenny Oppelt, Deputy Director;
Jennifer Garcelon, Environmental Health Director; Nan Furford, Clerk of the Board

**DRAFT MEETING
MINUTES
OCTOBER 15, 2024**



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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 Randy Johnson; Commissioner Mark Ozias; Vice-Chair, Shahida Shahrir; City Council Member Representative, Jeff Gingell; Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe, Community Stakeholder, Dr. Gerald Stephanz; Tia Skerbeck; Consumer of Public Health, Helen Kenoyer; Health Officer, Dr. Allison Berry; HHS Director, Kevin LoPiccolo; Environmental Health Director, Jennifer Garcelon

Members absent: Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe, Paul Cunningham; HHS Deputy Director, Jennifer Oppelt

Request for Modifications/Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Randy Johnson made a motion to approve the agenda, Gerald Stephanz seconded. Agenda approved.

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

Approval of Draft Meeting Minutes for August 20, 2024

Commissioner Mark Ozias made a motion to approve the meeting minutes, Commissioner Randy Johnson seconded. Minutes approved.

Action Items:

None.

Public Comment for Agenda Items:

Two (2) emails submitted to the Board of Health members from Ms. Zelenka.

Health Officer – Infectious Disease Update – Dr. Berry

Dr. Berry reported we are seeing very high rates of Covid-19 transmission in our region. Unfortunately, we are noticing an increase in hospitalization. Primary drivers appear to be in multiple long term care facilities. Recommend getting the latest Covid-19 vaccine for the new KP3 sub-variant.

Discussion followed.

We continue to monitor avian influenza. We are seeing avian influenza infection in California wastewater but none here.

Old Business and Information Items:

None

Discussion Items:

None

Board of Health Presentations:

1. 2023 Environmental Health Annual Report – Jennifer Garcelon
2. Jennifer Garcelon presented the 2023 Environmental Health annual report. Discussion followed.

Board of Health Public Hearings:

None.

Environmental Health Director - Jennifer Garcelon
None.

HHS Director – Kevin LoPiccolo

The link for the Environmental Health annual report should be on the website.

Thank you, Helen Kenoyer, for serving on the Board of Health. It's her last Board of Health meeting. Thank you for all the work you have done.

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:37p.m.

Next Meeting – October 15, 2024

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2024

CLALLAM COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Mike French, Chair

Allison Berry, MD, MPH, Health Officer

ATTEST:

Nan Furford, Clerk of the Board