



CLALLAM COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

MINUTES of June 18, 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 Randy Johnson; Commissioner Mark Ozias, City Council Member Representative, Jeff Gingell, Vice-Chair, Shahida Shahrir; Community Stakeholder, Dr. Gerald Stephanz; Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe, Paul Cunningham; Consumer of Public Health, Helen Kenoyer; Health Officer, Dr. Allison Berry; HHS Deputy Director, Jennifer Oppelt; Environmental Health Director, Jennifer Garcelon

Members absent: Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe, Tia Skerbeck

Request for Modifications/Approval of Agenda

Gerald Stephanz made a motion to approve the agenda, Commissioner Mark Ozias seconded. Agenda approved.

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

Approval of Draft Meeting Minutes for May 21, 2024

Commissioner Randy Johnson made a motion to approve the meeting minutes; Helen Kenoyer seconded. Minutes approved.

Action Items:

None.

Public Comment for Agenda Items:

None.

Health Officer – Infectious Disease Update – Dr. Berry

Dr. Berry reported that we are continuing to see some pertussis transmission in our community and in Jefferson County as well as throughout the state. Locally, we've seen it in the youth sector and high school students and small children. High school students often have milder symptoms, and the worry is that they can pass it between each other thinking they have only a cold, and then someone has an infant as a sibling that could get sick. It's important to stay home when you are sick. It's not just for Covid, it's for everything so that you don't pass on pertussis to others, among other things. Also, please stay up to date on your vaccines.

One of the infectious diseases that is being monitored is the avian influenza. Avian influenza has accounted for at least four human cases in the United States. At this point we know of three states. 101 dairy herds have been affected across twelve states. Unfortunately, the Feds are continuing to not actively test the dairy herds. It does concentrate in the milk and can transfer and infect barn cats that are drinking the raw milk. Discussion followed.

Old Business and Information Items:

None

Discussion Items:

None.

Board of Health Presentations:

1. The Intersection of ACEs, Racism, Health and the Tribes – Vicki Lowe and Dr. Ned Hammar. Dr. Hammar discussed attributable risks. Discussion followed.

2. Vicki Lowe presented the Impacts of Racism and Genocide on the Health of American Indians and Alaska Natives. Discussion followed.
3. Community Health Assessment (CHA) Final Publication and Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) – Moni Madjdi presented on the 2022-2023 Community Health Assessment. Discussion followed.
4. Overview of Environmental Health Assessment Fee – Jennifer Garcelon
Jennifer Garcelon and Janine Reed reviewed the O&M Assessment. Discussion followed.

Board of Health Hearings

None.

Environmental Health Director - Jennifer Garcelon

None

HHS Director - Jenny Oppelt, Deputy Director

None.

Public Comment

None.

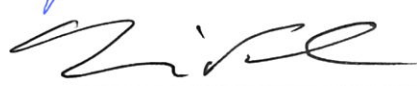
Adjournment

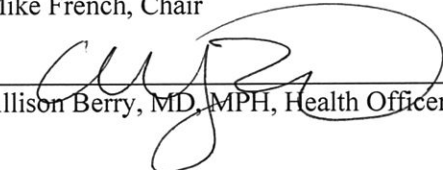
The meeting was adjourned at 3:38 p.m.

Next Meeting – July 16, 2024

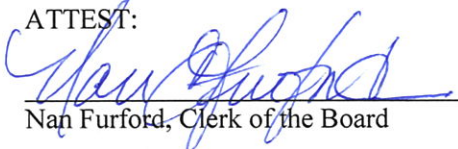
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 16 day of July, 2024

CLALLAM COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH


Mike French, Chair


Allison Berry, MD, MPH, Health Officer

ATTEST:


Nan Furford, Clerk of the Board