



# CLALLAM COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

MINUTES of July 18, 2023 @ 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Clallam County Courthouse

Board of Commissioners Meeting Room 160

223 E. 4<sup>th</sup> 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 1:32 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Members present were Chair, Mike French; Commissioner Randy Johnson; Vice-Chair, Shahida Shahrir; Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe, Tia Skerbeck; Community Stakeholder, Dr. Gerald Stephanz; Consumer of Public Health, Helen Kenoyer; Health Officer, Dr. Allison Berry; HHS Director, Kevin LoPiccolo; HHS Deputy Director, Jennifer Oppelt.

Members excused: Commissioner Mark Ozias; City Council Member Representative, Jeff Gingell; Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe, Paul Cunningham, and Environmental Health Director, Jennifer Garcelon

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

Helen Kenoyer made a motion to approve the agenda, Commissioner Johnson seconded. Agenda approved.

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

### **Approval of Draft Meeting Minutes for June 20, 2023**

Dr. Gerald Stephanz made a motion to approve the meeting minutes, Commissioner French seconded, minutes approved.

### **Public Comment for Agenda Items:**

No public comment.

### **Board of Health Hearings: None**

### **Health Officer – Covid Update – Dr. Berry**

Dr. Berry reported that Covid-19 has been light and relatively stable.

Dr. Berry is investigating reported avian influenza on Rat Island in Jefferson County. There is worry that seal pups and raptors will get infected and can spread it outside the island. This can affect local poultry populations. If you see a sick or dead bird, do not pick it up and call the Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife. Discussion followed.

### **Old Business and Information Items**

None.

### **Board of Health Presentations: None**

### **Discussion Items: Opiate Settlement Follow-Up – Jenny Oppelt**

Jenny Oppelt shared a power point presentation on the Opiate Settlement and the proposed uses for the funding. Discussion followed. Dr. Gerald Stephanz made a motion to recommend to the Clallam County Board of Commissioners that the funds be spent as proposed in the presentation, Helen Kenoyer seconded, none opposed, motion passed.

### **Environmental Health Director-Jennifer Garcelon**

Kevin LoPiccolo reported for Jennifer Garcelon that a Customer Service Specialist was hired this week and that Ben Majors will be leaving in mid-August and will need to find someone to replace him in the water lab. Some issues have arisen due to the panels off-gassing and the need for networking and an electrician. Hopefully these will get resolved by the end of the week.

**HHS Director- Kevin LoPiccolo**

Kevin provided a brief update on the Harm Reduction Health Center located at Second Street and outreach to local businesses.

**Public Comment**

None.

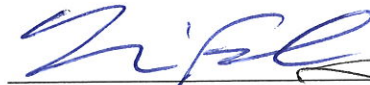
**Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

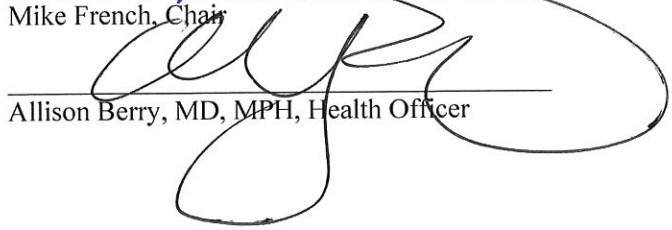
**Next Meeting** – August 15, 2023

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 15 day of August, 2023

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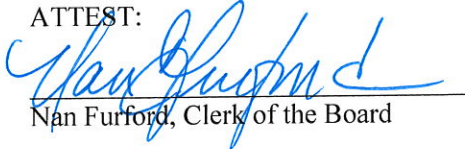


Mike French, Chair



Allison Berry, MD, MPH, Health Officer

ATTEST:



Nan Furford, Clerk of the Board