

SAN JUAN BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, September 20, 2023 at 11:30 AM

Legislative Hearing Room, Friday Harbor
Hybrid Meeting – Both In-person and Via Teams

11:33 a.m. CALL TO ORDER

BOH Chair/Council Member Cindy Wolf called the September 20, 2023 Board of Health meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. in the County Council Hearing Room.

BOH Present: Council Member Cindy Wolf, Council Member Christine Minney and Board member Kyle Davies were present in the meeting room. Council Member Jane Fuller and Board member Lisa DiGiorgio attended via videoconference.

Also Present: Mark Tompkins, Director, Health & Community Services; Kyle Dodd, Environmental Health Manager; and Lori LeCount, Clerk to the Board; were present in the hearing room. Ellen Wilcox, Healthy Communities Manager and Jessica Nye, Community Health Services Manager attended via videoconference.

11:30 a.m. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda was amended with the addition of including reporting on NOAT with other Committee updates. Board Member Kyle Davies noted that his term expired in August 2023. He is willing to continue month to month until his status is clarified.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: June 28, 2023

A correction made re status of NWRC strategic plan. June Minutes approved with correction.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: July 19, 2023

July Minutes Approved as presented.

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS

Motion: To excuse Board Member Dr. Steven Rubey and Mayor Jackson from the September 20, 2023 meeting By: Kyle Davies

Seconded: Christine Minney. All Ayes. Motion Carried

Discussion re Town of Friday Harbor representation at Board of Health.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comment

11:40 a.m. COMMITTEE UPDATES

Accountable Communities of Health (ACH)

Mr. Tompkins reported that there is additional funding available as result of a second waiver, awaiting additional information about what that means for local projects.

Community Collaboration Committee (CCC)
Met in August to review 2022 highlights. Next meeting TBD

Other Committees –

North Sound Behavioral Health Administrative Service Organization (NSBH-ASO)
Jane Fuller attended the Operations and Governance portion of the meeting. Jami Mitchell attended as Ms. Fuller's alternate for the regular Board meeting. A new executive director has been hired.

Northwest Regional Council (NWRC)

There was a meeting in August, mostly concerning budget.

National Opioid Abatement Trust (NOAT)

The group is the mechanism for working with counties regarding Mallinckrodt opioid settlement funds. Some funds are available for distribution now. The Northwest Region's share of funds available now is \$423,000. Over the next 9 years \$2,669,000 will be paid out (17% of this settlement). A work group is discussing what share each of the 5 partner counties will receive and what the process of fund distribution will be. Ms. Fuller will be discussing options with staff.

REPORTS

12:04 p.m. COMMUNICATIONS

Kyra Jahanfar, Communications Program Coordinator provided a report on the first year activities of and future plans for the Communications Program and answered the Board's questions.

12:29 p.m. PFAS

Kyle Dodd, Deputy Director/Environmental Health Manager provided a review and update on the PFAS contamination in the Hannah Heights water system and answered the Board's questions.

12:59 p.m. HIV/STI testing & Blood Draws – Proposed Partnership with Planned Parenthood

Emily Mason, Public Health Nurse II – Communicable Disease, Jessica Nye, Community Health Services Manager, Linda McCarthy, Mount Baker Planned Parenthood CEO and Alisha Halverson, Mount Baker Planned Parenthood Clinician reviewed the services and access to services in San Juan County and introduced a proposal for partnering on HIV / STI testing & Blood Draws and answered the Board's questions.

Motion: That the BOH make a recommendation to approve the proposed partnership between H&CS and Planned Parenthood for HIV / STI testing & Blood Draws

By: Christine Minney

Seconded: Jane Fuller

All Ayes. Motion Carried

1:29 p.m. COVID-19 Booster Vaccine Updates

Mark Tompkins, Director; provided an update on the disruption caused by the privatization of the vaccine and uncertainty about costs to the plan to conduct mass vax clinics for the new COVID-19 Booster. Currently Health & Community Services will only have access to vaccine for children and uninsured/underinsured adults.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next meeting will be October 18, 2023.

Ms. DiGiorgio will be away for the October meeting.

1:49 MEETING ADJOURNED

BOARD OF HEALTH
SAN JUAN COUNTY WASHINGTON


Cindy Wolf, Chair


Submitted by: Lori LeCount
Clerk to the Board of Health


Frank James MD, SJC Health Office


Mark Tompkins, Director
Health & Community Services