

# **SAN JUAN BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING MINUTES**

**Wednesday, July 16, 2025**

Legislative Hearing Room, Friday Harbor

Hybrid Meeting

Both In-person and Via Teams

## **11:32 a.m. CALL TO ORDER**

Council Member Justin Paulsen, BOH Chair, called the meeting, held July 16, 2025, to order at 11:30 a.m. in the County Council Hearing Room.

BOH Present: Council Members, Kari McVeigh and Justin Paulsen and Board Members Kyle Davies and Richard Geffen were present in the meeting room. Council Member Jane Fuller and Board Member Lisa Di Giorgio attended via videoconference.

Also Present: Dr. Amy Harley, Medical Officer; Mark Tompkins, Director, Health & Community Services; Kyle Dodd, Health & Community Services Deputy Director; Ellen Wilcox, Healthy Communities Manager; and Lori LeCount, Clerk to the Board were present in the hearing room. Ethna Flanagan, Early Learning Manager attended via videoconference.

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Agenda approved by agreement.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion: To approve the minutes of the meeting held June 18, 2025, as submitted.**

**By: Kari McVeigh, Seconded: Kyle Davies**

**Motion Carried.**

## **EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS**

Board member Dr. Steven Rubey was excused.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

## **11:32 a.m. Committee Updates**

ACH – *Mark Tompkins*- Reported that the ACH's search for a new CEO is paused until late fall. The Orcas Island Hospital District received ACH

funding for a collaboration project aimed at improving services access.  
CCC – *Kyle Davies*- No Update - CCC is meeting later this month.

Other Committees –

NSBH-ASO – Justin Paulsen reported that NSBH-ASO is exploring a program that would assist small communities in billing Medicaid for eligible services.

NWRC – Kari McVeigh – No update – NWRC has not met.

NOAT – Jane Fuller - No update – NOAT has not met.

Other Announcements –

Jane Fuller reported that UW notified Lopez Island Hospital District that it is not extending the contract with the clinic on Lopez beyond June 30, 2026.

Justin Paulsen reported that the Washington Healthcare Authority has a new director. Also, that the Orcas Hospital District is exploring expanding its dental program county-wide.

Mark Tompkins reported that Dennis Worsham has been appointed Washington State's new Secretary of Health. Mr. Worsham has a long history of working well with local health jurisdictions.

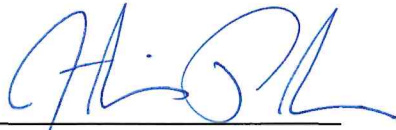
## REPORTS

- 11:40 a.m. Department Reimaging Update  
Mark Tompkins, Director, presented an update of the HCS Reimaging process and answered the Board's questions.
- 12:15 p.m. Environmental Health Annual Report  
Kyle Dodd, Environmental Health Manager presented the 2024 Annual Report and answered the Board's questions.
- 12:53 p.m. Health Officer Updates: Medicaid Changes  
Amy Harley, Health Officer presented an update on Medicaid changes and answered the Board's questions.

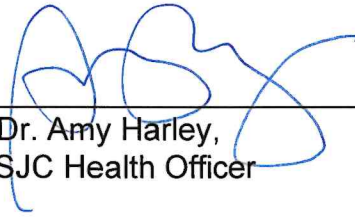
The August meeting will not be held. Next meeting: September 17, 2025

**1:35 p.m. Meeting Adjourned**

BOARD OF HEALTH  
SAN JUAN COUNTY WASHINGTON



Justin Paulsen,  
Councilperson, BOH Chair



Dr. Amy Harley,  
SJC Health Officer



Submitted by: Lori LeCount  
Clerk to the Board of Health



Mark Tompkins, Director  
Health & Community Services