

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

**Wednesday, March 18, 2026**

Legislative Hearing Room, Friday Harbor

Hybrid Meeting

Both In-person and Via Teams

## **11:30 a.m. CALL TO ORDER**

Council Member Jane Fuller, BOH Chair, called the meeting, held February 18, 2026, to order at 11:34 a.m. in the County Council Hearing Room.

BOH Present: Council Members, Jane Fuller, and Justin Paulsen and Board Members Dr. Steven Rubey, and Richard Geffen were present in the meeting room. Council Member Kari McVeigh and Board Member Lisa DiGiorgio attended via videoconference.

Also Present: Mark Tompkins, Director, Health & Community Services; Ellen Wilcox, Deputy Director/Health Communities Manager; Jami Mitchell, Human Services Manager; and Ethna Flanagan, Early Learning Manager; were present in the hearing room. Jessica Hudson, County Manager, and Jessica Nye, Manager, Disease Prevention & Environmental Health and attended via videoconference.

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion: To adopt the Agenda, as submitted.**

**By: Justin, Seconded: Richard**

**Motion Carried.**

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion: To approve the Minutes of the February 18, 2026, meeting, as submitted.**

**By: Justin, Seconded: Richard**

**Motion Carried.**

## **EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS**

Kyle Davies was excused.

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

ACH – *Mark Tompkins*- ACH is vetting applicants for a new CEO.

CCC – *Kari* – No meeting. No report.

Other Committees –

NSBH-ASO – *Justin Paulsen* NSBH-ASO staff members are completing a 2800 item questionnaire that managed care organizations submitted, allowed under HB1813.

NWRC – *Jane Fuller* – No meeting, no report.

NOAT – *Jane Fuller* – No meeting, no report.

11:37 a.m. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mark Tompkins shared Dr. Heisinger's letter on behalf of Grandparents for Vaccination with the BOH.

**REPORTS**

11:40 a.m. State Budget Update – Foundational Public Health Services

Mark Tompkins, Director presented an update on the anticipated reductions in State FPHS funds, as of meeting time, 2.2M dollars in FY2026 and 21M dollars in FY2027. Although no allocation decisions have been made, Mark anticipates San Juan County's share will be a 14% reduction in FPHS funding (about \$200,000).

12:03 p.m. HCS Impact Report

Kyra Jahanfar, Communications Program Coordinator and Mark Tompkins, Director presented the 2025 Impact Report highlighted the work of the Health Department throughout last year and answered the Board's questions.

12:37 p.m. Whatcom Council on Aging Presentation

Chris Orr, Executive Director and Rob Vandine, Meals on Wheels Program Director provided an update on the community meal and home-delivered nutrition programs and answered the Board's questions.

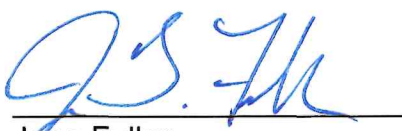
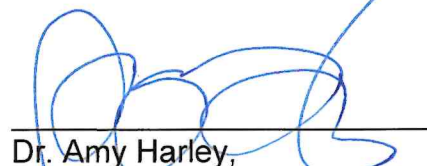
12:57 p.m. Community Health Improvement Plan/Community Health Network Update

Ellen Wilcox, Deputy Director/Healthy Communities Manager presented an update of the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) process, priorities and its relationship with the Community Health Network (CHN), the upcoming CHN convening and answered the Board's questions.

12:55 p.m. Looking forward –A decision was made to cancel the April 15, 2026, meeting. Next meeting is scheduled for May 20, 2026.

**1:30 p.m. Adjourn Meeting**

BOARD OF HEALTH  
SAN JUAN COUNTY WASHINGTON

  
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Jane Fuller,  
Councilperson, BOH Chair  
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Dr. Amy Harley,  
SJC Health Officer



Submitted by: Lori LeCount  
Clerk to the Board of Health



Mark Tompkins, Director  
Health & Community Services