

**CLALLAM COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONER'S MEETING ROOM  
MAY 16, 2006**

**I. ROLL CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 1:33 p.m. by Jeanette K. Stehr-Green, M.D., Chair. She recognized that this meeting marked the two-year anniversary of the expanded Board of Health.

Present: Michael C. Chapman  
Jeanette K. Stehr-Green, M.D., Chair  
Howard "Mike" V. Doherty, Jr.  
John E. Beitzel, Vice Chair  
Jim Leskinovitch  
Stephen P. Tharinger  
Camille Scott

**II. AGENDA REVIEW AND APPROVAL**

Camille Scott requested that discussion on the committee for mental health/chemical dependency for the 1/10 of 1% sales tax be added to the agenda.

Michael Chapman moved to approve the agenda as amended. Mike Doherty seconded and the motion carried.

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Michael Chapman moved to approve the minutes of the April 18, 2006 Board of Health meeting. John Beitzel seconded and the motion carried.

**IV. OLD BUSINESS AND INFORMATION ITEMS**

- A. Fluoridation Public Education Materials. Dr. Locke provided the committee with materials that the Washington Services Dental Foundation will be sending out to the citizens of Port Angeles. He also distributed a memo that was distributed via fax to the healthcare providers in the county.
- B. Letter of Support Forks General Hospital Bond. Dr. Locke shared a copy of a letter that was written on behalf of the Board of Health in support of new resources for essential capital improvement projects, including additional bond funding. Mike Doherty moved to approve the letter of support with minor revisions that were given by the board members. Steve Tharinger seconded and the motion carried.
- C. 1/10 of 1% Sales Tax for Mental Health / Chemical Dependency. Steve Tharinger shared with the committee that the Department of Revenue will start collecting 1/10 of 1% sales tax as of July 1, 2006. There is an effort to form a committee to beginning implementation of the program that is supported by this tax.

**IV. PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PHAC) REPORT**

Iva Burks reported that the committee spent a great deal of time discussing the 2006 PHAC focus areas. She briefly spoke about the success of the Win Win With Walking Program. The communities of Sunland and Diamond Point are working hard to chart the miles walked in the program. Jeanette Stehr-Green will be sitting in to observe the June 6, 2006 meeting of the Public Health Advisory Committee.

**VI. HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT**

- A. Public Hearing – Proposed Fees Related to I-901 Enforcement. The public hearing was called to order with no member of the public speaking to the board regarding the proposed fees. Steve Tharinger moved to adopt the proposed fee schedule for RCW 70.160 (Washington Clean Indoor Air Act). Camille Scott seconded and the motion carried.
- B. CARE Partnership Implementation Grant. Dr. Locke shared that the CARE Partnership (Community Advocates for Rural Elders) was awarded a \$750,000 grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) to improve long term care and supportive services for at risk older adults in Clallam County.
- C. Health Care Worker Vaccination – Time for a Mandate? Dr. Locke distributed an article written by Gregory A. Poland titled “Requiring influenza vaccination for health care workers: seven truths we must accept”. He also shared an article titled “Influenza Vaccination of Health-Care Personnel” that was published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Discussion follows among the board members about the importance of health care worker vaccination.

**VII. HEALTH DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- A. Program Updates. Iva Burks shared the following program updates with the committee:
  - 1. Iva thanked the BOH for the letter that was written to the volunteers of HHS. Forty-five people attended the reception and were given a certificate of appreciation as well as the letter that was written by the board.
  - 2. HHS is advertising for the Health Services program manager as well as Staff Assistant.

**VIII. ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- A. 2005-2006 Environmental Health Division Annual Report. Andy Brastad, Director of the Environmental Health Division shared a meeting that occurred with the staff of his department. On March 14, 2006 the EH Division met and discussed the accomplishments and outlines a work plan for 2006. He distributed information about the program budgets, work-load trends, and a list of the division's responsibilities.

**IX. ACTIVITIES CALENDAR UPDATE**

- A. West End meeting of the Clallam County Board of Health is tentatively scheduled for August. More information to follow at a later date.

**X. NEXT MEETING AGENDA ITEMS**

**XI. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting of May 16, 2006 was adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

APPROVED AND ACCEPTED THIS \_\_\_\_\_  
DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_ 2006.

CLALLAM COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

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Jeanette K. Stehr-Green, M.D., Chair

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John E. Beitzel, Vice Chair

ATTEST:

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Tammy Davidson, Clerk of the Board

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Michael C. Chapman

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Howard V. Doherty, Jr.

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Stephen P. Tharinger

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Jim Leskinovitch

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Camille Scott