



## Grays Harbor County

### Board of Health

PEARSALL BUILDING  
2109 SUMNER AVENUE, ABERDEEN, WA 98520

**May 19, 2020**

**12:00 p.m.**

### **Board of Health Special Meeting**

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Board of Health Chair Vickie Raines called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m. Commissioner Randy Ross and Commissioner Wes Cormier were also present.

Also in Attendance: Karolyn Holden, Public Health Director; Jeff Nelson, Environmental Health Director; Norma Tillotson and Tracey Munger, Deputy Prosecuting Attorneys; Aliza Esty, Secretary; and Fire District 2 Chief Leonard Johnson. Members of the Grays Harbor Public Health Incident Management Team (IMT) and members of the public were also present. The meeting was held electronically over Zoom to allow for social distancing.

This special meeting of the Board of Health was called to consider Grays Harbor County Public Health Officer Dr. John Bausher's recommendation that the Board approve an application for a variance to move to Phase 2 of the Governor's Safe Start Plan for Reopening Washington. Dr. Bausher was not present at the meeting but a letter detailing his recommendation was submitted to the Board by the Public Health Incident Management Team.

#### **Public Health Report:**

Chief Leonard Johnson, Public Health IMT Incident Commander reported that they have created a draft COVID-19 Emergency Operations Plan to support the County's application. The plan is designed to provide a structure to support the flexibility required to respond to the ongoing and upcoming challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic now and in the months to come. To support the variance application it specifically addresses the following:

- Testing capacity
- Ability to perform case investigation and contact tracing
- Ability to provide isolation and quarantine and needed supports
- Ability to provide rapid response for outbreaks in congregate settings

**Motion:** Commissioner Ross moved to approve the resolution to apply for the Covid-19 Phase 2 Variance.

**Second:** Commissioner Cormier seconded the motion.

**Approval:** The motion to approve the resolution to apply for the Covid-19 Phase 2 variance was approved unanimously.

**Public Chat Comments and Questions:**

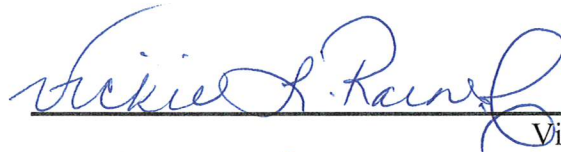
Edna Fund, Commissioner, Lewis County: Requested a copy of the Variance Plan.

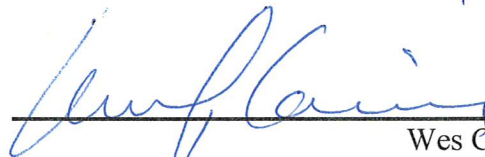
Kyle Pauley: Inquired regarding additional restrictions beyond the Phase 2 allowable rules.

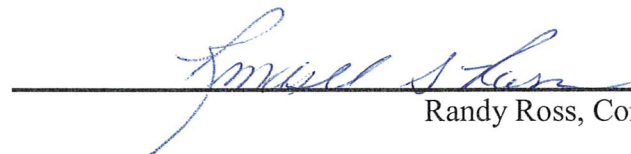
Renee Volz: Inquired regarding timeline for Phase 2 if approved.

Hearing no additional public comments, the meeting adjourned at 12:19 p.m.

Approved on this 1st day of JUNE, 2020

  
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Vickie Raines, Chair

  
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Wes Cormier, Commissioner

  
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Randy Ross, Commissioner

ATTEST:

  
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Aliza Esty, Board Secretary