



Grays Harbor County
Board of Health
PEARSALL BUILDING
2109 SUMNER AVENUE, ABERDEEN, WA 98520

April 22, 2021
Board of Health Meeting

Board of Health Chair Vickie Raines called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m. Commissioner Kevin Pine and Commissioner Jill Warne were also present. The meeting was held electronically through Zoom to allow for social distancing.

Also in Attendance: Mike McNickle, Public Health Director; Jeff Nelson, Environmental Health Director; Dr. John Bausher, Health Officer; Bethany Mizushima, Public Health Deputy Director; Jenna Amsbury, Clerk of the Board; and Alex Vido, Board Secretary. Members of the Grays Harbor Public Health Department were also present. The meeting was held electronically over Zoom to allow for social distancing.

Motion: Commissioner Raines moved to approve both the January 28, 2021 Board of Health Meeting minutes.

Second: Commissioner Warne seconded the motion with assuming typological correction to be made on page two.

Approval: The motion to approve the meeting minutes from January 28, 2021 was approved unanimously.

Health Officer Report – Dr. John Bausher

- COVID still takes up majority of our time.
- Vaccination program has gone very well and are now moving towards vaccinating 16-year-old and older.
- Multiple places on the Harbor where individuals can obtain the vaccine.
- Numbers of vaccines reflect the fall in the rate of infection.
- Continue to work with other infectious diseases within the Health Department.

Public Health Update- Mike McNickle

- COVID response update was discussed
- Washington State and Grays Harbor COVID data was shared using doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/COVID19/DataDashboard#dashboard
- Vaccine doses given in Grays Harbor are at 47,760 which is just above the DOH goal of 45,000

- The team at Grays Harbor Public Health has done an excellent job with scheduling and executing the vaccine.
- Walk up kiosk testing is now available with Curative. They can be found at two locations; the fairgrounds and Grays Harbor Public Health parking lot.
- Incident Management Organization (IMO) came to an agreement to be at Ocean Shores convention center to administer the vaccine to individuals who can not make out to Aberdeen. Hoping for up to 400 vaccines. They will be back at the end of May to administer the second shot.
- IMO is working on reaching out to individuals who are homebound to receive the vaccine. To maximize the IMO effort, they are hoping to administer the vaccine to their caregivers, neighbors and family members.
- Announced the resignation of Bethany Mizushima, Deputy Director at Grays Harbor County Public Health.
- Public Health is onboarding their new Financial Manager.

Environmental Health Update – Jeff Nelson, Director

- Harmful algae bloom toxin testing season began this week with reports coming out of Vance Creek, Duck Lake and the canals in Ocean Shores.
- The State is updating their protocols with regards to sending notifications depending on type and concentrations in the water, if present.
- Reviewing shoreline survey that the DOH Shellfish just conducted for the Grays Harbor growing area.
- Thanked the board to authorize request to hire another position.
- They are still constantly receiving public records requests and complaints.
- Majority of complaints are related to individuals occupying an RV full time and site being advertised for rental. He has sent some of the complaints to Commissioner Raines and Commissioner Warne.
- Have a number of foodservice establishments to review.
- Talked about a few solid waste issues.
- Have made great strides over the past two years with a lot of the regulated solid waste facilities with a couple still having issues.
- Legislative update on how it would impact their operations and the bill changing local Boards of Health.

Commissioner Raines asked if Jeff Nelson could tell the group about the motorhome issue between LeMay and Chevron.

Jeff Nelson spoke about the issue.

Commissioner Pine asked a question about the motorhome issue between LeMay and Chevron.

Jeff Nelson responded and spoke about the issue.

Commissioner Raines shadowed Commissioner Pine's questions and concerns.

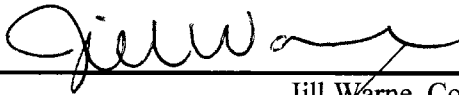
Public Comments and Questions:

Hearing no additional public comment, the meeting adjourned at 8:51 a.m.

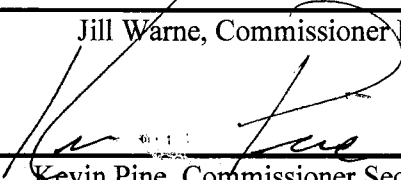
Approved on this 22 day of July, 2021



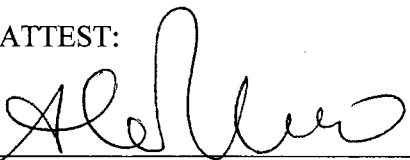
Vickie Raines, Chair



Jill Warne, Commissioner First District



Kevin Pine, Commissioner Second District

ATTEST:


Alex Vido, Board Secretary