

SKAMANIA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Agenda for May 12, 2020

1:30 PM

Skamania County Courthouse

240 NW Vancouver Avenue, Room 18

Stevenson, WA 98648

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Meeting ID: 815 6366 7093

**WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS ACCEPTED AND ENCOURAGED BY MONDAY
PRECEDING THE MEETING AT NOON**

Call to Order

Public Comment (3 minutes)– **Due to COVID-19, Telephone attendance only for public, call in using one of the numbers above, and entering the Meeting ID number when prompted**

Consent Agenda - Items will be considered and approved on a single motion. Any Commissioner may, by request, remove an item from the agenda prior to approval.

1. Minutes of Special Meeting April 28, 2020
2. Minutes of April 14, 2020
3. Minutes of Special Meeting May 5, 2020

Community Health report – Kirby Richards, Community Health Administrative Director
COVID 19 Updates
Phase 2 Variance

Health Officer report - Dr. Steven Krager, Deputy Health Officer
COVID 19 Updates
Phase 2 Variance

Environmental Health report - Tim Elsea, Public Works Director

Adjourn

MINUTES OF SKAMANIA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

April 14, 2020
Skamania County Courthouse
240 NW Vancouver Avenue, Room 18
Stevenson, WA 98648

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. on April 14, 2020 at the Skamania County Courthouse, 1st Floor Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue in Stevenson, with Board of Health Commissioners, Richard Mahar and Robert Hamlin, Chair present. Commissioner Tom Lannen joined by telephone.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Mahar moved, seconded by Commissioner Lannen and motion carried to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

1. Minutes of March 10, 2020 Meeting
2. Minutes of March 16, 2020 Special Meetings
3. Minutes of March 23, 2020 Emergency Meeting

Kirby Richards, Community Health Administrative Director thanked Dr. Krager for his work on behalf of Skamania County during Covid-19. She reported on test kits, testing procedures, screening criteria, additional help for testing and receiving test labs. She also reported accuracy of self-swab procedures. She reported she will advertise for a Public Health Nurse in two weeks. She also mentioned advertising efforts for WIC and clinicians working from home.

Dr. Steven Krager, Deputy Health Officer gave an update on Covid-19 including definition of close contact. He reported on a testing plan to prioritize groups and high-risk individuals. He commented on social distancing, Covid-19 symptoms, virus exposure, and accuracy of testing.

Arnold Bell, Engineering Tech reported on Environmental Health. He reported the absence of bats and rats and that no new septic permits will be granted due to Covid-19, only emergency permits will be addressed.

Covid-19 discussion continued regarding immune compromised individuals, vitamin evidence, and data reporting. Testing, tracking and treatment were also mentioned.

The meeting adjourned at 2:13 p.m.

SKAMANIA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Commissioner

Commissioner

Clerk of the Board of Health

Commissioner

Aye _____
Nay _____
Abstain _____
Absent _____

MINUTES OF SKAMANIA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

April 28, 2020
Skamania County Courthouse
240 NW Vancouver Avenue, Room 18
Stevenson, WA

A Special Meeting of the Skamania County Board of Health was called to order at 1:32 p.m. on April 28, 2020 at the Skamania County Courthouse, 1st Floor Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue in Stevenson, with Board of Health Commissioners, Richard Mahar, Tom Lannen, and Robert Hamlin, Chair present. The Special Meeting was held to discuss topics relating to COVID 19.

The Board discussed Governor Inslee’s decision to ease outdoor restrictions come Tuesday, May 5, 2020. The Board heard from Sheriff Dave Brown, Jeff Wickersham, USFW, Kirby Richards, Community Health Director, Dr. Krager, Public Health Officer for Skamania County, Adam Kick, Prosecutor, Judge Randy Krog, Judge Ron Reynier, and Tim Elsea, Public Works Director and Engineer.

Another meeting will be scheduled for Tuesday, May 5, 2020 at 1:30 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 2:12 p.m.

SKAMANIA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Commissioner

Commissioner

Clerk of the Board of Health

Commissioner

Aye _____
Nay _____
Abstain _____
Absent _____

MINUTES OF SKAMANIA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

May 5, 2020
Skamania County Courthouse
240 NW Vancouver Avenue, Room 18
Stevenson, WA

A Special Meeting of the Skamania County Board of Health was called to order at 1:30 p.m. on May 5, 2020 at the Skamania County Courthouse, 1st Floor Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue in Stevenson, with Board of Health Commissioners, Richard Mahar, Tom Lannen, and Robert Hamlin, Chair present. The Special Meeting was held to discuss current COVID-19 issues, including Governor Inslee’s decision to ease outdoor restrictions.

The Board discussed Governor Inslee’s decision to ease outdoor restrictions. A variance application to the Governor to move to Phase 2 of the Governor’s plan was discussed. The Board of Health, and the Board of Commissioners will need to approve and endorse the application as well as documentation from Skyline Hospital certifying bed capacity for COVID 19 patients and PPE supplies and the local Public Health Officer’s recommendation. The application will include testing information, including availability and accessibility, and how many tests have been performed in the county by week over the past three weeks. Other items to be submitted with the application are the local health jurisdiction’s plans and resources to perform case investigations and contact tracing, housing plans and resources to house people in isolation or quarantine who do not have a home or wish to isolate or quarantine outside the home. Also plans and resources to provide case management services, plans and resources to rapidly respond to outbreaks in the community and congregate settings will be included.

Commissioner Lannen moved, seconded by Commissioner Mahar to direct Deputy Health Director Steven Krager to complete the application for the County’s COVID 19 variance so that the County can move to a Phase 2 standing per Governor Inslee’s phased approach to reopening the state. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 2:09 p.m.

SKAMANIA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Commissioner

Commissioner

Clerk of the Board of Health

Commissioner

Aye _____
Nay _____
Abstain _____
Absent _____