

SKAMANIA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Agenda for August 11, 2020

1:30 PM

Skamania County Courthouse

240 NW Vancouver Avenue, Room 18

Stevenson, WA 98648

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Tuesday, August 11, 2020

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 for meeting of July 14, 2020
2. Minutes for meeting Special Board of Health meeting July 21, 2020
3. Minutes for meeting of Special Board of Health meeting of July 28, 2020

Community Health report – Kirby Richards, Community Health Administrative Director

Health Officer report - Dr. Steven Krager, Deputy Health Officer

Environmental Health report - Tim Elsea, Public Works Director

Adjourn

MINUTES OF SKAMANIA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

July 14, 2020

Skamania County Courthouse
240 NW Vancouver Avenue, Room 18
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The meeting was called to order at 1:35 p.m. on July 14, 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.

There was no public comment.

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

1. Minutes for meeting of June 9, 2020
2. Minutes for special meeting of June 3, 2020
3. Minutes for emergency meeting of May 27, 2020

Lynn Burditt, Columbia River Gorge, National Scenic Area Manager reported on openings and closures within the Scenic Area. She also discussed the Oregon Governor's social distance and mask guidelines.

Kirby Richards, Community Health Administrative Director reported on COVID – 19 case numbers in Skamania County. At the time there were 34 positive cases, and 7 released from quarantine. She reported on a restaurant outbreak, and 80 people being quarantined at the time. She also reported that information regarding contract tracing is on the Department of Health website, and there is information regarding COVID 19 on the Community Health website, and Facebook page.

Tim Elsea, Public Works Director/County Engineer reported on a bat incident with test results being inconclusive for rabies.

Dr. Steven Krager, Deputy Health Officer reported that cause of outbreaks being from social gatherings on the 4th of July, and business. He also discussed virus mutation, underlying health conditions and strains that fall under COVID 19. HE reported younger children seem to be having organ issues, and an increase in age demographics with more cases being under 60 years old.

Kirby also discussed events and lack of social distance with reports of some on county property. Public Health funding was also discussed as well as scheduling of weekly Board of Health meetings.

The Board agreed to schedule Board of Health meetings weekly for a while.

The meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

SKAMANIA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Commissioner

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Clerk of the Board of Health



Aye _____
Nay _____
Abstain _____
Absent _____

MINUTES OF SKAMANIA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

July 21, 2020

Skamania County Courthouse
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The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. on July 21, 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.

Dr. Steven Krager, Deputy Health Officer drafted an order surrounding weddings and funerals to discuss with the Board. The draft came about because of the increased number of cases in the County and the Governors new orders.

The Commissioners, Dr. Krager and Kirby Richards, Community Health Administrative Director had discussions about the order. The Board also heard from Jamie Waters, Stevenson resident who operates Maple Leaf Events, and Gary Collins and Steve Gunn, Home Valley residents who operate Gorge-ous Weddings at Wind Mountain Ranch.

The Board decided to reschedule the discussion surrounding the order to next week, Tuesday, July 28, 2020.

The meeting adjourned at 11:02 a.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

Special Meeting

July 28, 2020

Skamania County Courthouse
240 NW Vancouver Avenue, Room 18
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The special meeting was called to order at 11:30 a.m. on July 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.

Dr. Steven Krager, Deputy Health Officer and Kirby Richards, Community Health Director met on ZOOM with the Board of Health Commissioners to discuss ongoing COVID- 19 issues. The number of cases reported in Skamania County at the time was 44, with 41 resolved, 6 active and 1 death, and 2 in the hospital. School plans for the fall were discussed. Kirby reported the website is up and going with a lot of information posted. New restrictions were discussed with the Governor’s going into effect on August 6, 2020 with more restrictions than the previous order of July 21, 2020.

Dr. Krager reported on disease modeling and comparisons of Florida and Washington State, age demographics, death rates, information on the Department of Health website, and testing increases.

Kirby told the Board she and 2 Public Health nurses will go to a local in-lieu site to conduct testing that day.

It was decided by the Board to go back to having regular Board of Health meetings once a month, on the 2nd Tuesday.

The meeting adjourned at 11:53 a.m.

SKAMANIA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

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Commissioner



Aye _____
Nay _____
Abstain _____
Absent _____