MINUTES OF SKAMANIA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

May 11, 2021 Skamania County Courthouse 240 NW Vancouver Avenue, Room 18 Stevenson, WA 98648

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. on May 11, 2021, at the Skamania County Courthouse, 1st Floor Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue in Stevenson, with Board of Health Commissioners, Robert Hamlin, Richard Mahar, and T.W. Lannen, Chair present.

Heidi Penner, Stabler resident thanked Community Health Director Kirby Richards for her dedication to the County and the amount of money she brought into the community.

Commissioner Hamlin presented Kirby Richards, Community Health Director a retirement plaque for her years of service to the County.

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

1. Minutes for meeting of April 13, 2021

Tamara Cissell, Community Health Deputy Director, reported on COVID-19 vaccine status week by week and 3540 vaccines have been administered so far by Community Health. She remarked it is getting harder to find people to fill slots for vaccines. She also reported 362 COVID cases at the end of day as of May 10, 2021.

Dr. Steven Krager, Deputy Health Officer reported 26% of people in Skamania County initiated vaccines. He also discussed how some people think the vaccines are experimental and he discussed the mental health impacts of the pandemic and how to respond to those impacts. He touched on mental health issues for children and the long wait times to obtain counseling and other treatment options.

There was no Environmental Health report.

The meeting adjourned at 2:09 p.m. Approved on the 8th day of June 2021.

SKAMANIA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Attest:

Clerk of the Board of Health - Debbie Slack

Chair – T.W. Lannen

Commissioner - Richard Mahar

Commissioner – Robert Hamlin

Aye _

Nay Abstain

Absent