

MINUTES  
SNOHOMISH DISTRICT BOARD OF HEALTH  
Meeting of February 15, 1961  
2 p.m.

Present

Members, Mrs. Simpson, Messrs. Johnson, Kraetz, McCollum and Wyatt and Doctor Stocker. Also, Doctor Knipe, Miss Findlay, Mrs. Rands and Mr. Weller

Member absent: Mr. Gebert

Minutes

Moved by Mr. Kraetz, seconded by Mrs. Simpson, and carried, that minutes of last meeting as circulated to members, be approved.

Auditing  
Committee

Chairman McCollum appointed Mr. Kraetz and Mr. Johnson as the Auditing Committee.

Reporting  
of Deaths

Per request made at the last meeting regarding the monthly reporting of deaths to the City, Health Officer stated that he had made arrangements with the State Registrar of Vital Statistics to have an extra copy of the quarterly report prepared by the State of deaths of voters, made available to the City. This seemed to be satisfactory to the City members.

Laboratory  
Quarters

Transfer of the Health District Laboratory from the basement of the City Hall to the new laboratory building at the Sewage Lagoon on Smith Island was in progress, and would be completed next week.

Mrs. Simpson and Mr. Johnson reported on the meeting last week of the City Council members, the City Engineer, and Health Officer regarding laboratory services. Doctor Knipe reported on the results of a meeting with the State Health Department engineer, Mr. Pluntze, on February 15 whereby minimum laboratory services expected by the State of the Health District laboratory and the City of Everett had been agreed upon.

Accordingly, moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Kraetz and carried, that Mr. McCollum, Chairman of the Snohomish District Board of Health, be authorized to sign on its' behalf, it being understood that the City had already signed the Agreement, which was presently in the mail. The Health Officer was requested to forward the Agreement to the County Commissioners for signature.

Salary  
Adjustment

In that Mrs. Agnes Conn's resignation of December 31, 1960 had been accepted at the last meeting of the Board, moved by Mrs. Simpson, seconded by Mr. Kraetz and carried that accumulated vacation time be paid Mrs. Conn out of the 1961 salaries budget, be at the 1960 rate, that is, January 1 - 12, 1961, at \$414 per month.

Health  
Department  
Quarters

Further to previous discussion, and at the request of the Health Officer, the architectural firm of Botesch and Brown had been approached by him for a preliminary estimate for remodeling the People's National Bank Building on Colby Avenue, Everett, as a possible Health District office. Cost of remodeling apart from acquisition of the building, would be in the neighborhood of \$113,500 and would provide 9,500 sq. feet on two floor areas and a balcony. After considerable discussion it was decided to take no action on this proposition, but that the County-owned building located at Everett and Lombard, originally planned as an Agricultural office, could be looked into. At this point, Mr. McCollum stated that the members should not be unmindful of the County's plans for a new County building. The proposed plans were reviewed by the members with considerable interest. Further, Mr. Wyatt suggested looking into the possibility of getting together on a City-County building for all departments.

Staff  
Changes

Resignation of Miss Jana Langslet, Dental Hygienist, effective February 28, 1961, was accepted with regret. Health Officer's appointment of Miss Martha Dunham as dental hygienist effective March 1, 1961 at \$397 month was approved on motion by Mr. Johnson seconded by Doctor Stocker, and carried.

Reports

Health Officer: Doctor Knipe gave a brief summary of the Annual Health Officer's meeting of January 29, 30 and 31 in Olympia.

Vital Statistics: Resident deaths, Everett City, September through December, 1960 as attached, and County births and deaths for the year 1960 excluding Everett City. Health Officer stated that vital statistic reporting would be regular from now on, starting with a report for January, 1961 at the March meeting, and monthly thereafter.

Financial: As appended. 1960 Revenues exceeded annual estimate by approximately \$7,000, and surplus in operating budget of approximately \$4,000 over that estimated. The Health District was in sound financial condition.

Realty  
Subdivisions

Mr. Johnson asked the Health Officer if he had heard that the Eastmont subdivision promoters were going to put in a sewage lagoon, and if so, how would it affect the emergency water shed of the City of Everett, namely the Woods Creek Water Shed (east and north of Eastmonth area)? Doctor Knipe said that he would ask Mr. Stockton to look into the matter.

Mrs. Simpson raised the question as to whether or not realty subdividers could not be required to provide sewage treatment facilities prior to the selling of individual lots. Doctor Knipe suggested that such rules and regulations might well be adopted by the Board of Health if this were advisable, and that Mr. Stockton, Director of Sanitation, was asked to report to the Board of Health at a later date. Mr. Johnson said he felt that such a requirement would raise the price of lots too high to be practicable. Health Officer pointed out that it had been proven that cost of installing and maintaining septic tank systems for

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divisions,  
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individual lots usually far exceeded costs in providing sewage treatment facilities for large subdivisions.

Authorization  
of Accounts

Moved by Mrs. Simpson, seconded by Mr. Kraetz, and carried, that accounts as presented for payment be approved, as follows:

January Maintenance & Operation	\$ 6,816.78
January Capital Outlay	648.00
February Salaries	16,896.68

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

