

NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA  
SNOHOMISH DISTRICT BOARD OF HEALTH  
January 18, 1966  
First Presbyterian Church

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
  - Appointment of Seventh Member
  - Election of Officers
2. Minutes of December 14, 1965
3. Auditing Committee
4. Old Business
5. New Business
  - A. Budgetary Resolution
  - B. "Eventyr of the Ditch"
6. Reports
  - A. Health Officer
  - B. Sanitation
  - C. Vital Statistics
  - D. Financial
7. Authorization of Accounts
8. Adjournment

Clifford Anderson, M.D., M.P.H.  
District Health Officer

MINUTES  
SNOHOMISH DISTRICT BOARD OF HEALTH  
January 18, 1966

Present Members, Messrs, Krekow, Alexander, Wyatt, Kraetz, and McCollum. Also, Dr. Anderson, Dr. Darrrough, Miss Findlay, Mrs. Schultz, Mrs. Manley, Mrs. Carelton, Dr. Millard, Mr. Stockton, Mr. Moser, and Mrs. Supper. Also present were General Hospital of Everett School of Nursing students LeAnne Meldahl and Marilyn Bruun.

Appointment of Seventh Member Moved by Mr. Alexander, seconded by Mr. Wyatt, and carried that Dr. Stocker be appointed as the seventh member of the Board of Health for the year of 1966.

Election of Chairman Moved by Mr. Alexander, seconded by Mr. McCollum, and carried that Mr. Kraetz act as Chairman of the Board of Health for the year of 1966.

Mr. Kraetz presided during the remainder of the meeting.

Minutes Dr. Anderson stated that one correction was necessary in the minutes of December 14, 1965. In the Report on Milk, the milk must be held at a temperature of 145<sup>o</sup>, instead of 143<sup>o</sup>, for thirty minutes in order to destroy the organism which causes Q fever. Moved by Mr. McCollum, seconded by Mr. Alexander, and carried that the minutes of December 14, 1965 be approved as corrected.

Auditing Committee Mr. Kraetz appointed Mr. McCollum and Mr. Alexander as the Auditing Committee.

Surplus Property Moved by Mr. Krekow, seconded by Mr. McCollum, and carried that the attached resolution designating Clifford Anderson, M.D. as representative of the Snohomish Health District to purchase equipment and materials from the State of Washington Surplus Property Section, be adopted.

City of Edmonds Health Program Dr. Anderson stated that he had met with Edmonds Mayor Maxwell to discuss their Public Health Program. Dr. Lane, Chief of the Division of Local Health Services of the State of Washington Department of Health, will meet with Mayor Maxwell on January 26, 1966, to outline specifically the duties of a health department of a primary city. Dr. Lane will also have with him a formula which can be used through out the state as a guide to a fair cost for Health Districts to charge the cities within their boundaries. Dr. Anderson will report further on this subject at the February board meeting.

Space for Mental Health Department Dr. Anderson asked the Board to consider the pressing need for a private office for the Mental Health Consultant and effective February 1, her secretary. He explained that the nature of Mrs. Manley's work

often calls for private consultation which can not be done in the public Vital Statistics department where she has her desk. All members considered this request but concluded that there is no space available until the Probation Department moves to its new quarters. This is tentatively scheduled for mid-March.

Authorization Moved by Mr. McCollum, seconded by Mr. Krekow, and carried that Dr. Anderson be authorized up to \$100 traveling expense to San Francisco and return to attend the American Medical Association meeting concerning Medicare from the physicians' point of view.

Reports Dr. Anderson discussed the role of the Health District in the existence of an open drainage ditch located near 20<sup>4</sup>th, Alderwood Manor in the Plat of Country Village. The ditch was dug to a depth of approximately six feet and one block long. The ditch was required but not that depth. The Health District was not aware that the ditch had been dug until complaints were received from neighboring residents. The Health District has explored legal means to have the ditch corrected but have been unsuccessful. Dr. Anderson pointed out that the Health District lacks the legal and financial machinery to perform immediately when such a physical danger to children is present. He has hopes that soon the adjacent property owners will fill the ditch to a proper depth.

Dr. Anderson reported that recently a mill worker contracted meningitis. All his co-workers were immediately directed to obtain prophylactic treatment from their private physicians, and no other cases were reported.

Dr. Anderson reported that it has been necessary to begin a new treatment for gonorrhoea inasmuch as the disease was no longer responding to the ordinary treatment.

Dr. Anderson further reported that two children in the County had been bitten by a rat, and due to the circumstances, the children were given the Pasteur treatment for rabies. Both children are now in fine condition.

Sanitation Mr. Stockton reviewed the policy in the County for draining private property. The County Engineer's office has not allowed the County road ditches to be used for this purpose. Mr. Stockton stated that at this point in the County's growth and development, most of the suitable land has been platted, and that if the above policy continues to be enforced, most of the applications for new plats will have to be rejected because of drainage. This will affect the economic growth of the County, and Mr. Stockton wanted the Board to be aware of the circumstances.

Mr. Stockton also reported that his department had

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received complaints that vacant land at Sunset and Highland Grove in Everett was being used as a garbage dump. The Sanitation Department has posted "No Dumping" signs, but the dumping continues, and residents of the neighborhood are requesting that a guard be stationed to prevent this.

Mr. Stockton told the Board of Health that a committee formed by representatives of four counties to study air pollution would hold their first meeting this month. He will represent Snohomish County.

Dr. Anderson told the Board that he had heard of a report which is being circulated which declares Snohomish County has the highest divorce rate in the State, the largest number of illegal births, and the highest venereal disease rate. He stated that he does not know who made out the report, but he does know the last two statements are not true.

Vital  
Statistics

November, 1965, as appended. Dr. Anderson pointed out that the deaths caused by acute coronary had increased one-third over the previous month.

Financial

Revenues deposited in 1965 - \$291,558.81

Total Spent in 1965 - \$282,804.78

Authorization  
of Accounts


Moved by Mr. Alexander, seconded by Mr. McCollum, and carried that accounts as presented for payment be approved as follows:

Salaries - January 1966 \$19,512.63

M. & O. - December 1965 4,544.88

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

  
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Chairman

BIRTHS AND DEATHS OCCURRING IN SNOHOMISH COUNTY  
AS OF November 30, 1965

	Total to Date	Total for Month	Total County Res.	Total Non Res.
<u>BIRTHS</u>	<u>2,595</u>	<u>211</u>	<u>196</u>	<u>15</u>
<u>FETAL DEATHS</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	
<u>DEATHS</u>	<u>1,377</u>	<u>133</u>	<u>118</u>	<u>15</u>
"Motor vehicle"accidents	51	6	5	1
Adult accidental deaths	49			
Infant accidental deaths	4	1	1	
All other infant deaths	58	6	6	
Suicide	23	2	1	1
Homicide	1			
Undetermined (of above)	1			
Infectious diseases	7	1		1
Malignant neoplasms	200	14	13	1
Cerebral vascular accident	203	21	20	1
Acute coronary	86	12	12	
All other deaths	693	70	60	10