



***Snohomish Health District
Board of Health Minutes
Regular Meeting
June 11, 2013***

Members Present

Adrienne Fraley-Monillas, Councilwoman, Edmonds
Dave Gossett, County Councilman
Karen Guzak, Mayor, Snohomish, Chair
Linda Grafer, Councilwoman, Mukilteo
John Joplin, Councilman, Brier
Sean Richards, Councilman, Mountlake Terrace
Brian Sullivan, County Councilman
Dianne White, Mayor, Stanwood
Donna Wright, Councilwoman, Marysville
Stephanie Wright, County Councilwoman

Members Absent

Shannon Affholter, Councilman, Everett
John Koster, County Councilman
Vern Little, Mayor, Lake Stevens
Kerri Lonergan-Dreke, Councilwoman, Lynnwood
Dave Somers, County Councilman, Chair

Others Present

John Amos, Snohomish County
Judy Chapman, SHD Accountant
Randy Darst, SHD Environmental Health Division Director
Nancy Furness, SHD Interim Communicable Disease Division Director
Gary Goldbaum, MD, SHD Health Officer and Director
Kristin Kinnamon, SHD Communications Manager
Jo Lindsay, SHD Program Assistant II
Peter Mayer, SHD Deputy Director
Rita Mell, SHD Clinic Program Manager
Brenda Newell, SHD STD, VHO, HIV Program Manager
Lorie Ochmann, SHD Executive Assistant
Carolyn Pape, SHD Interim Human Resources Manager
Suzanne Pate, SHD PIO



Kathy Perkins, SHD Disease Investigation Specialist
Don Peterson, SHD Business Manager
Susan Schmick, SHD Program Assistant II
Glen Svendsen, Snohomish County Financial Analyst
Steve Uberti, Legal Counsel
Scott Washburn, YMCA of Snohomish County, President and CEO

Call to Order

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Health was convened at 3:05 p.m. by Chair Karen Guzak in the Auditorium of the Snohomish Health District Rucker Building. Roll call was taken by Lorie Ochmann, who reported there was a quorum present.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Chair's Report

There was no Chair's Report.

Health Officer's Report

The Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) are investigating a multistate outbreak of Hepatitis A illnesses. As of June 4, 2013, seven states (Colorado, New Mexico, Nevada, Arizona, Utah, Hawaii, and California) have reported over 60 people ill (11 hospitalized) with acute hepatitis A that may be linked with consumption of 'Townsend Farms Organic Anti-Oxidant Blend' (a frozen berry and pomegranate seed mix). One suspect case has been reported in Washington state to-date. These numbers are expected to change as the investigation continues.

The public health community continues to monitor influenza A (H7N9) virus in China. As of May 29, a total of 132 laboratory-confirmed cases of human infection (including 37 deaths) have been reported to the World Health Organization (WHO). No cases have been reported in the U.S.

A novel "Middle East Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus (MERS-CoV) was identified in 2012 as a cause of severe respiratory disease. As of June 5, 54 cases (including 30 deaths) had been reported to WHO. No cases have been reported in the U.S.

Since the release of the "Community Report Card", SHD has received many requests for copies and for presentations to community groups.



Minutes

It was moved by Mr. Gossett and seconded by Ms. S. Wright to approve the minutes of the regular meeting and work session held May 14, 2013. The motion carried unanimously.

Proclamations and Special Presentations

Scott Washburn, President and CEO of YMCA of Snohomish County presented the Board of Health with a resolution congratulating and thanking the Snohomish Health District and its Public Health Advisory Council for their thoughtful work and collaboration with institutions across the county to address child obesity.

Crystal Dudley recognized Snohomish Health District Team of the Quarter, Jo Lindsay and Susan Schmick for their work in the Environmental Health Division.

Committee Reports

. There were no questions regarding the monthly standing reports. Program Policy Committee and Administration Committee did not meet.

Consent Agenda

It was moved by Mr. Gossett and seconded by Ms. Fraley-Monillas to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (a) vouchers of May 2013 and (b) Resolution 13-13 authorizing May 2013 expenditures, for Health District and PHEPR funds. The motion carried unanimously.

Action Agenda

On July 14, 1992, the Board of Health approved a property lease at 6101 200th SW in Lynnwood. The original lease was for a ten year fixed term with the provision the District could exercise up to four five-year extensions. With Board concurrence, the District has extended the lease twice, with the current term expiring in June 30, 2013. At the November 6, 2012, Board of Health meeting, the Board concurred with the staff recommendation to continue the lease for an additional five-year term, effective July 1, 2013. Funding for the continuation of the lease is included in the 2013 budget. Per the lease's provisions, a market analysis was conducted to determine the rate for the extension.



It was moved by Ms. S. Wright and seconded by Ms. Fraley-Monillas to accept the market rent, as described in Exhibit D, for the option to extend the Lynnwood property lease for an additional five year period commencing July 1, 2013. The motion carried unanimously.

Program Briefings

Kathy Perkins gave a presentation on the Viral Hepatitis Prevention & Outreach Program (VHO). Hepatitis C (HCV) is the most common chronic bloodborne infection of the US with over 4 million in the US infected. Nearly 80% of those living with the disease are unaware they are infected. Hepatitis C is a major cause of liver disease, liver cancer, and liver transplants. An estimated one in 30 Baby Boomers is infected with HCV, five times the general population. This high rate of infection among this group is attributed to a lack of Universal Precautions prior to 1987, blood transfusions prior to 1992, exposure due to the Vietnam War, and the Summer of Love. The VHO Program serves Snohomish County through outreach to at-risk youth and adults, offering testing and referrals, education for providers, and linking newly diagnosed individuals with treatment.

Information Items

A calendar for scheduled meetings in June and July 2013 was provided to Board Members in their packets.

Board Members were given an update on progress in scheduling Ad-Hoc Committee meetings.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 PM.

Karen Guzak, Chair

Gary Goldbaum, M.D., M.P.H., Secretary