

KITSAP COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES

February 1, 2005

The meeting was called to order at 11:15 a.m. The recording equipment was not operational; therefore, the meeting was not taped.

1. Minutes (January 11, 2005)

The minutes were approved as circulated.

2. Director's Report

Dr. Lindquist reported that the flu is here in Kitsap County. The Health District did purchase an addition 1,000 doses of the flu vaccine, but there has been little demand for it.

Dr. Lindquist then reported that the District's open house on Friday, January 28 was successful. He said that exploring the history of the Health District was interesting for him. He reported that there have only been three appointed Health Officers for the District: Dr. Shirley Benham (1948 to 1977), Dr. Willa Fisher (1977-2001), and himself. Previous Health Officers were all on assignment from the Public Health Service. He also reminded the Board that the District was housed at 6th and Marion at the Franklyn Delano Roosevelt Hospital until it moved to the Austin Drive property. The District's address is now again on 6th Street. Chair Lent commented that the meeting chambers was full of guests, the program was interesting, and the staff did an excellent job hosting and providing tours of the new offices. She felt it was indeed a success.

3. Action Items

Resolution 2005-2 – Adopting Kitsap County Revised Multi-Hazard Plan

Dr. Lindquist explained that the Multi-Hazard Plan has been developed by DEM and approved by the County and cities. In January this resolution was tabled to provide the Board members with adequate time to review the plan. Commissioner Endresen moved to approve Resolution 2005-2. The motion was seconded by Council Member Short and approved unanimously.

Resolution 2005-5 – Approving Public Health Emergency Response Program Coordinator Position

Dr. Lindquist explained that with the changing funding levels for bioterrorism (BT) preparedness, he is proposing combining the responsibilities of the Regional Emergency Response Coordination with those of the Local Emergency Response Coordinator. He is proposing this now because the District's Regional Emergency Response Coordinator has recently resigned. Commissioner Endresen instructed staff to bring proposals to the Board when the BT funding is reduced or eliminated, so the Board can determine what positions are the most important to continue funding. She stated that she was glad to see the staff being proactive by combining these two functions. After further discussion, Mayor Bruce moved to approve Resolution 2005-5. The motion was seconded by Mayor Abel and approved unanimously.

Resolution 2005-6 – Approving Health Officer Employment Contract

Commissioner Angel suggested that the ratifying resolution and contract be amended to provide for quarterly loan payments to help reduce some of Dr. Lindquist's interest liability. After discussion, Commissioner Angel moved to approve Resolution 2005-6 with the following modifications:

- Language changes to provide for quarterly payments beginning March 31, 2005, and
- New language that states the Contract Amendment will be submitted to the Board's attorney for corrections to reflect the quarterly payments and will be brought back to the Board of Health for ratification at the March 1, 2005 meeting.

The motion was seconded by Mayor Bruce and approved unanimously.

4. Stream Health Advisory Policy Review

Stuart Whitford, Water Quality Program Manager, reviewed the proposed Stream Health Advisory Policy. He reported that the District currently posts warning signs in areas that may expose the public to elevated health risks of illness; however, no health advisories or warning signs adjacent to polluted streams have been posted. Therefore, the District is requesting Board support for such postings. Based on three years of monitoring data, the following streams have been identified as having fecal coliform (FC) bacteria concentrations higher than 270FC/100ml, which is considered a safe standard: Phinney Bay Creek, Ostrich Bay Creek, Dee Creek, Daniels, Kitsap Creek, Annapolis Creek, and Karcher Creek. After much discussion, the Board agreed that posting warning signs was appropriate. They complimented the staff on the thorough reporting and suggested that the District's website address also be added to the signs. Discussion continued.

5. Business Pollution Prevention Program Overview

Jan Brower, Solid and Hazardous Waste Program Manager, reviewed the Business Pollution Prevention Program for the Board. She reported that the District provides education, outreach and technical assistance to these regulated businesses as well as enforcement. She outlined the various program activities. Much discussion followed.

Jerry Deeter reported that the Health District is sponsoring a workshop on the proposed modifications to the state on-site sewage regulations on Tuesday, February 9, 2005, from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. The State Department of Health staff will be making the presentation, and the District has invited interested industry members. The public comment period for these regulations ends February 18, 2005, and the proposed changes will be presented to the State Board of Health for approval in late February or March.

Commissioner Endresen also requested that the staff keep the Board members informed as to public health positions on proposed legislation. Scott Daniels will email legislative updates to the Board regularly.

There was no public comment.

ADJOURN

There was no further business, and the meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Commissioner Patty Lent, Chair
Kitsap County Board of Health

Scott W. Lindquist, MD, MPH
Director of Health

Board Members Present: Mayor *Kim Abel*, Commissioner *Jan Angel*, Council Member *Carol Arends*, Mayor *Donna Jean Bruce*, Commissioner *Chris Endresen*, Mayor *Darlene Kordonowy*, Commissioner *Patty Lent*, Councilmember *Mike Short*

Staff Present: *Jan Brower, Elaine Croteau, Scott Daniels, Jerry Deeter, Keith Grellner, Scott Lindquist, M.D., Suzanne Plemmons, Stuart Whitford*

Public Present: *Julie McCormick, The Sun*