

KITSAP PUBLIC HEALTH BOARD
Regular Meeting
April 3, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Mayor Becky Erickson at 11:24 a.m.

MINUTES

Commissioner Charlotte Garrido moved and Commissioner Rob Gelder seconded a motion to approve the minutes for the March 6, 2012, regular meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

The contracts on the consent agenda included:

- Amendment 1, Contract 868, Washington State Health Care Authority, Public Employees Benefits Board
- Amendment 1, Contract 864, Craft 3 (formerly Enterprise Cascadia), Septic System Repair Loans
- Contract 1010, Kitsap Conservation District, Burley Lagoon SSWM Subcontract
- Contract 1005, City of Bainbridge Island, Shellfish Restoration and Protection Project
- Contract 970, Kitsap County Juvenile Detention Facility, Medical Services for Detained Youth (revised)

After a brief discussion, Commissioner Gelder moved and Commissioner Garrido seconded a motion to approve the items on the consent agenda. The motion was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dr. Scott Lindquist, Director of Health, brought to the Board's attention today's Kitsap Sun front page article about a University of Wisconsin ranking of U.S. counties with regard to overall health. He noted that Kitsap County's ranking within Washington State improved from number 15 to number 11 in the area of health outcomes. While Lindquist appreciated the ranking, he said a better measure of the health of Kitsap County can be found in the health indicators that the District updates annually. Further, he pointed out that these locally updated indicators are then used through the Kitsap Community Health Improvement Process (KCHP) to establish health priorities for the County. A brief discussion of the value of the report followed.

Secondly, Lindquist informed the Board that the District will be releasing a media release shortly regarding an increase in pertussis cases in Kitsap County and across the State. Over the past four months, 25 cases of pertussis have been diagnosed in the County. He reviewed the symptoms and treatment of pertussis, explained how the disease presents, and explained which populations are most vulnerable. Lindquist noted that pertussis is potentially life-threatening and that he has personally seen ten persons infected with pertussis die. By way of contrast, he said he has not witnessed any deaths associated with the administration of the pertussis vaccine, which is a very safe vaccine. Lindquist then commented that many of those affected by this latest outbreak are

older children or teenagers, rather than infants as one might expect and that infection is occurring in some individuals who had previously been vaccinated. Following a question from the Board asking if a new strain of pertussis is appearing in the County, Lindquist explained that he is participating on a state panel evaluating the current outbreak. He also said that he has asked local providers to begin taking cultures instead of using only the rapid test to diagnose and to send the cultures to the State Lab for possible evaluation by the Centers for Disease Control. A brief discussion of the impact of the outbreak followed.

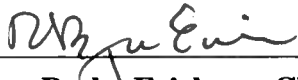
GREYWATER REUSE REGULATIONS DISCUSSION

Dr. Lindquist introduced Mr. Keith Grellner, Director of Environmental Health, who presented an overview of new greywater reuse regulations adopted by the State of Washington. Grellner introduced Chapter 246-274 WAC, Greywater Reuse for Subsurface Irrigation, which was effective July 31, 2011. This WAC delegates implementation of the rule to local health jurisdictions and local Boards of Health. There is a requirement that jurisdictions may implement new rules by July 31, 2014, or continue to use onsite regulations to administer greywater.

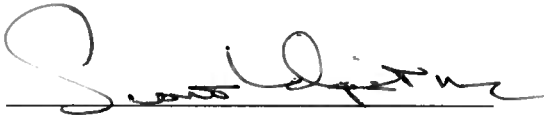
Grellner explained that this rule does not apply to large-scale water reclamation projects such as the Central Kitsap waste water treatment plant, explaining that RCW 11.96 still governs large scale projects. This new rule is intended for temporary, seasonal use for plants only for single building and small scale projects and is not a substitute for normal waste water systems. If the Board decides to implement a rule, Grellner explained that the District will need to coordinate with each jurisdiction's building departments. Grellner then explained in more detail the definition of and requirements within the rule for the diversion of greywater. He also noted that the rule allows local health jurisdictions to establish fees to implement the program. He ended by summarizing the pros and cons of changes to regulations to allow greywater reuse. Grellner then asked for direction from the Board: Do they want to move forward to implement new rules or would they prefer to wait? In the discussion that followed, Commissioner Garrido suggested that representatives of the District might want to make a presentation to local farming groups in the County to get feedback from them, which would be helpful information for the Board. After discussion, a general consensus emerged to defer action until the Board has had an opportunity to look at examples of regulations developed by other jurisdictions and then revisit this issue after that.

ADJOURN

There was no further business; the meeting was adjourned at 12:18 p.m.



Mayor Becky Erickson, Chair
Kitsap Public Health Board



Scott W. Lindquist, MD, MPH
Director of Health

Board Members Present: *Council Member Sarah Blossom; Commissioner Josh Brown; Mayor Becky Erickson; Commissioner Charlotte Garrido; Commissioner Rob Gelder; Mayor Patty Lent; Mayor Tim Matthes; Council Member Roy Runyon (alternate)*

Board Members Absent: None

Staff Present: *Cris Craig, Program Manager, Health Information Resources; Kerry Dobbelaere, Program Manager, Clinical Services; Yolanda Fong, Chronic Disease Coordinator, Health Information Resources Program; Keith Grellner, Director, Environmental Health Division; Grant Holdcroft, Environmental Health Specialist, Solid & Hazardous Waste Program; Karen Holt, HR Analyst, Administration; Leslie Hopkins, Management Analyst, Administration; Tracey Kellogg, Accounting Program Manager; Siri Kushner, Epidemiologist 2, Health Information Resources; Scott Lindquist, Director of Health; Beth Lipton, Epidemiologist 2, Health Information Resources; Maureen Murphy, Human Resources Manager; Suzanne Plemmons, Director, Community Health; Shelley Rose, Public Health Educator, Health Information Resources Program*

Public Present: *Pam Hamon, League of Woman Voters, Kitsap; Susanne Hughes, League of Woman Voters, Kitsap; Stephen Keck, NHB; Monte Levine, Self*