

Board of Health

Carolina Mejia, District 1 • Gary Edwards, District 2 • Tye Menser, District 3

The Thurston Board of Health has responsibility and authority for public health in both incorporated and unincorporated areas of the County.

Minutes for Tuesday, May 11, 2021

Summary of Timed Items

3:30 p.m.)

Call Meeting to Order

3:35 p.m.)

Proclamations and Presentations

1) 3:30 p.m.) Call Meeting to Order

Approval of the Agenda

In Attendance:

Tye Menser, Chair; Carolina Mejia, Vice-Chair; Gary Edwards, Commissioner; Romiro Chavez, County Manager; Schelli Slaughter, Public Health & Social Services Department Director; Art Starry, Environmental Health Division Director; Dr. Dimyana Abdelmalek, Health Officer; and Lydia Hodgkinson, Clerk of the Board of Health.

Chair Menser called the meeting to order.

Approval of the Board of Health Agenda:

Vice Chair Mejia moved to approve the agenda for 2021-05-11. Commissioner Edwards seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approval of the Board of Health Meeting Minutes:

Vice Chair Mejia moved to approve the board meeting minutes for 2021-04-13. Commissioner Edwards seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2) 3:35 p.m.) Proclamations and Presentations

Item: Proclamation

Contact: Schelli Slaughter, Director

Action: The Board of Health proclaimed the week of

May 6 through May 12, 2021 as Nurses Week

in Thurston County.



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Opportunity for the Public to Address the Board of Health

4 minutes per citizen

There was no public comment.

4) Department Items

Descriptio 2021 Thurston County Health Rankings

n:

Contact: Mary Ann O'Garro, Senior Epidemiologist **Action:** Information only. No action required.



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5) Department Items

Descriptio Emergency Ordinance amending Article IV

n: the Sanitary Code

Contact: Art Starry, Environmental Health Division

Director

Action: Commissioner Mejia moved to approve an

ordinance amending Article IV of the Thurston County Sanitary Code to extend the expiration dates of on-site sewage system installation and repair applications and permits as a result of the emergency

due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Commissioner Edwards seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously.

Motion carried.



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6) Department Items

Descriptio PHSS Lakes Monitoring Programs

n:

Contact: Jane Mountjoy-Venning, Senior

Environmental Health Specialist

Action: Information only. No action required.



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7) Board of Health Members' Health Related Activities and Accomplishments

Board Members reported on public health and social services involvement since the last Board of Health meeting:

- ♦ Commissioner Edwards reported on:
 - COVID-19 Inquiries
- ♦ Vice Chair Mejia reported on:
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- ♦ Chair Menser reported on:
 - WSAC COVID-19 Meetings
 - Meet and Greet with Health Insurance

8) Health Officer's Report

Dr. Dimyana Abdelmalek reported on the the following items:

- ♦ COVID-19
 - Transmission
 - Vaccine Availability
 - Variants
- ♦ Communicable Diseases

9) Director's Report

Schelli Slaughter reported on the following items:

- Nurse Family Partnership
- Education and Prevention
 - Prevention Programs
 - Mental Health Needs
- ♦ Opioid Response Task Force
 - Updated Plan in August
 - Opioids and Teens Webpage

10) Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned.

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Thurston County, Washington

TYE MENSER, Chair

CAROLINA MENANTINA Chair

CAROLINA MEJIA Vice Chair

GARY EDWARDS, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Amy Davis, Clerk of the Board

Approved June 8, 2021

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