

**Snohomish County Board of Health
Board of Health Minutes
May 14, 2024**

The regular meeting was held in the auditorium of the Rucker Building and via Zoom conference call/video.

Members Present

Megan Dunn, County Councilmember, Board Chair (In person)
Heather Logan, Councilmember, Arlington, Board Vice Chair (Virtual)
Janet Anderberg (Virtual)
Lisa George (Virtual)
Joseph Hund, Councilmember, Sultan (Virtual)
Desmond Skubi (In person)
Jared Mead, County Councilmember (Virtual)

Members Absent

Julie Smith

Comings and Goings

Lisa George arrived at 3:02 p.m.

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Board of Health was called to order using a hybrid setting at 3:00 p.m. by Ms. Megan Dunn.

Roll Call

Roll call was taken by Ms. Sarah de Jong who reported there was a quorum present.

Approval of Agenda Contents and Order

It was moved by Ms. Heather Logan and seconded by Mr. Joseph Hund to approve the agenda contents and order. The motion passed with seven ayes, zero nays, and one absent (Smith).

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Mr. Desmond Skubi and seconded by Ms. Logan to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 9, 2024. The motion passed with seven ayes, zero nays, and one absent (Smith).

Public Comment

Ms. Dunn opened the floor for public comment. No one from the public volunteered to speak and Ms. Dunn closed public comment.

Special Briefing

School-Based Health Centers - Special Presentation by Joe Vessey, CEO of Community Health Center of Snohomish County (no staff report)

Chief Executive Officer Joe Vessey of Community Health Center of Snohomish County (CHC) provided a presentation regarding the school-based health center program that CHC has stood up at schools in Snohomish County.

Briefings

Prevention Services – Child Fatality Review (SR 24-012; Wendy Burchill)

Ms. Wendy Burchill, healthy communities specialist within the prevention services division, shared a presentation that detailed the programmatic work the health department performs for child fatality reviews.

Ordinance BOH24-02 Reorganizing the Board of Health Code (SR 24-008C; Ragina Gray)

Ms. Ragina Gray shared that the only change made to the code since last presented to the board at the April 9 meeting was to rename the “Camping” section title to “Camping Facilities,” as suggested by the Board at that meeting. Ms. Gray reminded the Board that this revision the code does not contain any policy changes and is only to reorganize the code.

Board of Health Code: Administrative Rules (SR 24-011B; Nicole Thomsen)

Ms. Nicole Thomsen updated the Board on updates included in the current draft version of the administrative rules.

Snohomish County Ordinance 24-011: Testing of County-Owned Housing Facilities (no staff report)

Ms. Lacey Harper shared background information regarding Snohomish County Ordinance 24-011 which was passed by the Snohomish County Council earlier this month. The conversation regarding public health’s role revolves around RCW 64.44 and whether the health officer has authority over such properties. As these housing facilities are not technically defined as transient housing facilities, it does not fall under the jurisdiction of the county health department. However, the health department has been consulted on this topic and acts in an advisory role for any questions that arise.

Information Items

Upcoming Meetings

Ms. Dunn noted the dates of the next Board of Health meetings. Ms. Nicole Thomsen shared some preliminary details about a board retreat tentatively planned for late August.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:29 p.m.

Megan Dunn
Board of Health, Chair

Dennis Worsham, Director