

**CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH  
MINUTES OF MARCH 23, 2016**

The Board convened in the Councilors' Hearing Room, 6th Floor, Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street, Vancouver, Washington. Board members Marc Boldt, Julie Olson, and Tom Mielke present. Board members Jeanne E. Stewart and David Madore absent.

**9:00 A.M.**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Councilors led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**ACTION:** Moved by Olson to **APPROVE** minutes for February 24, 2016. Mielke seconded the motion. Board members Boldt, Olson, and Mielke voted aye. Motion carried.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

None

**PUBLIC HEALTH IN ACTION**

Dr. Alan Melnick, Public Health Director / Health Office provided some background.

▪ **PHEPR – Public Safety**

Rich Konrad, Emergency Preparedness and Response Coordinator provided background information on the Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Response (PHEPR) program, what they do, who they partner with, different projects involved in and their future goals. Also, emphasized the importance of community partnerships and volunteers in building public safety along with resiliency by providing training. Overall the benefits allows for a smoother operation in the event of an emergency through the education and training provided. Chair Boldt inquired on lead pipes and various scenarios. Dr. Alan Melnick discussed background information of lead and the medical implications of exposure to lead.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

▪ **Ethics deliberation**

Dr. Alan Melnick, Public Health Director / Health Officer provided background information on ethical deliberation, key issues raised, recommendation brought forth from the discussion, and the analysis process of ventilator allocation should a pandemic occur. Community partners make up the Ethics Committee who get together and deliberate on different issues in the interest of preparedness. The Ethical Deliberation met and discussed the ventilator allocation issues then brought the preliminary ideas to the Ethics Committee for further discussions. Dr. Ann Marie Natali, Peace Health Bioethicist described the importance of establishing criteria in order to have a process that is fair and just for the people of Clark County.

▪ **Flu update**

Dr. Alan Melnick, Public Health Director / Health Officer presented. He stated they are still in the flu season. The vaccines for this year are 60% effective and still the best method for prevention.

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**COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD**

Boldt inquired about the septic / sewers regarding the Cowlitz Tribe. Melnick stated he would follow up

Hearing adjourned

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Marc Boldt, Board Member

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Jeanne E. Stewart, Board Member



Julie Olson, Board Member

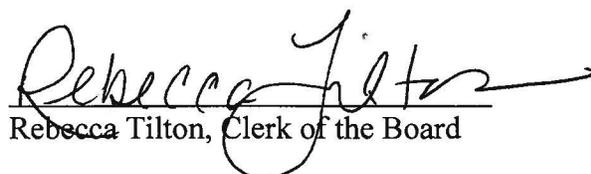
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David Madore, Board Member



Tom Mielke, Board Member

ATTEST:



Rebecca Tilton, Clerk of the Board

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