CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 26, 2016

The Board convened in the Center for Community Health, 1601 E. Fourth Plain Blvd., Building 17, 2nd Floor, Conference Room 210-A, Vancouver, Washington. Board members Marc Boldt, Jeanne E. Stewart, Julie Olson, and David Madore present. Board member Tom Mielke absent.

9:00 A.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Councilors led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA

ACTION: Moved by Madore to APPROVE the minutes for September 28, 2016. Stewart seconded the motion. Board members Boldt, Stewart, Olson, and Madore voted aye. Motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Washington State Environmental Health Directors:
Roxanne Wolfe, Public Health Chief Operations Officer introduced Joe Laxson who has been recognized for outstanding environmental public health leadership. He was named the 2016 Washington State Environmental Health Director of the year for demonstrating leadership in the profession at the local and state levels. Laxson joined the discussion. Further discussion ensued.

Foundational Public Health Services:
Dr. Alan Melnick, Public Health Director/Health Officer, presented on the Foundational Public Health Services and discussed the overall role of Public Health in creating healthier environments and healthier choices in order for the community to achieve maximum potential. The community would become more vulnerable without these mandated services provided through the foundational pieces of Public Health. Foundational program services include: Control of Communicable Disease and Other Notifiable Conditions, Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention, Environmental Public Health, Maternal/Child/Family Health, Access/Linkage with Medical, Oral and Behavioral Health Care Services and Vital Records. Further discussion ensued. Workgroup Recommendations regarding state funding for public health will be discussed at the next Washington State Association of Counties. Further discussion ensued. The 2017 Legislative Proposal will be a system wide financial request. Further discussion ensued.

Foundational Public Health - Pertussis (Whooping Cough):
Derel Glashower, Epidemiologist; Shannon McCarthy, Public Health Nurse and Diane Welch, Public Health Nurse presented on Pertussis. Public Health monitors and tracks outbreaks along with the specifics such as affected person, place and time of the occurrence. This service is required by law (WAC 246-101-501). Continual support is needed to respond to pertussis in the community and during outbreaks. Further discussion ensued.
COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

None

Hearing adjourned

BOARD OF HEALTH

Marc Boldt, Board Member

Jeanne F. Stewart, Board Member

Julie Olson, Board Member

David Madore, Board Member

ABSENT

Tom Mielke, Board Member

ATTEST:

Rebecca Tilton, Clerk of the Board

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