CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH  
MINUTES OF JULY 26, 2017

The Board convened in the Councilors' Hearing Room, 6th Floor, Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street, Vancouver, Washington. Board members Marc Boldt, Jeanne E. Stewart, Julie Olson, John Blom, and Eileen Quiring present.

9:00 A.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
The Councilors led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA

ACTION: Moved by Stewart to APPROVE minutes for June 28, 2017. Olson seconded the motion. Board members Boldt, Stewart, Olson, and Quiring voted aye. Board member John Blom abstained. Motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC
None

PUBLIC HEALTH IN ACTION
Alan Melnick, Public Health Director / Public Health Officer introduced staff and presenters.

Summer Food Safety:
Adam Lim, Environmental Health Specialist presented on Summer Food Safety. Food safety is a foundation of public health service and aligns with our mission to ensure community public health. The food safety program works hard to prevent food borne illness and conducts inspections, investigates complaints, responds to food borne illness/outbreak through collaborative work rather than punitive. The Food Safety Technical Advisory Committee is a vital part of the collaborative work and includes volunteers from the food service industry which meets quarterly. Clark County Public Health Food Safety teams are preparing for the Clark County Fair that starts on August 4. A short video highlights temporary events from last year and includes safe food handling principles to ensure that all food and beverages are safe to consume. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2FYp1sj-f40&feature=youtu Further discussion ensued.

Alyssa Payne, Environmental Health Specialist, presented on Service Animals. All service animals are permitted access in all public areas of a food establishment. Under Washington State law, a business can ask two questions 1) If the animal is a service animal and 2) What task is the animal trained to perform. The business cannot ask about the disability (due to privacy/disability information). Also, service animals are not required to wear a vest. Public Health is working with multiple partners, Washington State Department of Health and local ADA representatives, to develop an improved plan on how to best equip food establishments to handle these sensitive issues. She spoke about the intern assisting in the program. Further discussion ensued.

Lim also covered basic prevention practices for food borne illness. Wash hands often and thoroughly, don’t serve if ill or have been recently, maintain recommended food temperature and when in doubt toss it out. Additional information is available on the website https://www.clark.wa.gov/public-health
Drug Take Back Events:
Joy Lyons, PREVENT! Coalition of Clark County Education 112, and Sally Fisher, Public Health gave an overview of the event process and collaboration efforts. The event is sponsored by the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) who determines the date (twice a year). Law enforcement, healthcare providers and community partners help ensure the event runs smoothly. Further discussion ensued.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Work Session: Solid Waste Tipping Fees (August BOH):
Melnick requested that a portion of the next BOH meeting be used for the Solid Waste Tipping Fees. The Board agreed. Further discussion ensued.

State Budget update:
Legislation passed and the Governor signed $12 million for Foundational Public Health Services (FPHS), with $10 million going to local health departments and $2 million to Department of Health (DOH). The Capital Budget did not pass. Melnick will keep the BOH informed as they learn more on the specific budget details.

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

None

Hearing adjourned
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Maro Böldt, Board Member

Jeanne E. Stewart, Board Member

Jodie Olson, Board Member

John Blom, Board Member

Eileen Quinn, Board Member

ATTEST:

Rebecca Tilton, Clerk of the Board

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