CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
MINUTES OF AUGUST 23, 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 present. Board member Eileen Quiring absent.

9:00 A.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
The Councilors led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA

ACTION: Moved by Stewart to APPROVE minutes for July 26, 2017. Olson seconded the motion. Board members Boldt, Stewart, Olson, and Blom voted aye. Motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC
None

DIRECTOR’S REPORT
Solid Waste Prevention & Enforcement

Dr. Alan Melnick (Director/Health Officer) introduced the presenters for Solid Waste Prevention & Enforcement. Chuck Harman, Program Manager, gave an overview of the programs he oversees and the financial challenges these programs are under: Solid Waste Operations, Solid Waste Enforcement, and Hazardous Assessment programs. Sally Fisher, Outreach Specialist/Acting Program Manager, gave an overview of the program she currently oversees in Solid Waste & Environmental Outreach which includes education and outreach programs in waste reduction. The Outreach programs are broken up in segments: Green Neighbors, Green Business, Green Schools and Master Composter Recycler programs.

Sarah Keirns, Environmental Outreach Specialist, gave an overview of waste reduction in the Green Business programs. Michelle Picinich, Environmental Outreach Specialist, gave an overview of the food waste reduction in the Green Schools programs.

Jeff Harbison, Chief Administrative Officer, discussed the financial side of budget accounts and different scenarios. Dr. Alan Melnick, Director/Health Officer, discussed funding sources, services and some funding challenges along with impacts on services. The capital budget did not pass for 2017 and in addition, there have been funding cuts from the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA). In addition, the tipping fee rates in Clark County are well below comparable counties. The proposal is to increase tipping fees to adjust for the grant fund losses. Further discussion ensued. Amanda Migchelbrink, Prosecuting Attorney’s Office, joined the discussion. Mike Davis, Solid Waste, joined the discussion.

Next steps will be for Public Health to bring an ordinance to the Board of County Councilors on the tipping fee adjustment. Once the capital budget passes Public Health will come back with updates to the Board of Health for a broader discussion on fees.
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COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

None

Hearing adjourned

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Marc Boldt, Board Member

Jeannne E. Stewart, Board Member

Julie Olson, Board Member

John Blom, Board Member

Eileen Quiring, Board Member

ATTEST:

Rebecca Tilton, Clerk of the Board

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