

**CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 25, 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 Quiring to **APPROVE** minutes for September 27, 2017. Stewart seconded the motion. Board members Boldt, Stewart, Olson and Quiring voted aye. Motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

Councilor John Blom arrived

PUBLIC HEALTH IN ACTION

Salmonella outbreak:

Dr. Alan Melnick Public Health Director/Health Officer introduced Madison Riethman, the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists Fellow. The fellowship is funded by the Center for Disease Control. Madison described how they respond to Foodborne Illness (FBI) Outbreaks by highlighting a recent Salmonella outbreak investigation.

Further discussion ensued.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report publication:

Derel Glashower, Public Health Epidemiologist, and Jennifer Snyder, Environmental Public Health Specialist described the 2016 Campylobacter jejuni foodborne illness outbreak. They gave a brief background of Public Health's investigation process and findings, as described in the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR). The MMWR, CDC's peer reviewed online journal, is widely read, with over 250,000 electronic subscribers and over 23 million page views, and is ranked first of the top 20 publications in Epidemiology. The manuscript, authored and submitted by Clark County Public Health staff and published in September, highlights how CCPH staff work to protect the public in Clark County and beyond.

The complete reference is:

Derel Glashower, MPH¹; Jennifer Snyder¹; Diane Welch, MS¹; Shannon McCarthy¹: Notes from the Field: Outbreak of Campylobacter jejuni Associated with Consuming Undercooked Chicken Liver Mousse - Clark County, Washington, 2016, Morbidity and Mortality Weekly, September 29, 2017 / 66(38);1027 <https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/66/wr/mm6638a4.htm>.

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Flu update:

Glashower gave an influenza update and briefly described Clark County Public Health's roles in surveillance, prevention, education and outreach to healthcare providers and Clark County residents. Although there is not much influenza activity in the United States or Washington State yet, the flu will arrive sometime late fall or winter and it is not too late to get a flu shot, which is strongly recommended for anyone 6 months of age or older.

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

None

Hearing adjourned

BOARD OF HEALTH



Marc Boldt, Board Member



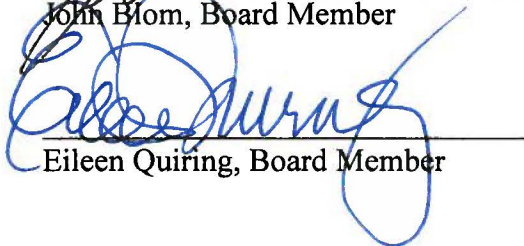
Jeanne E. Stewart, Board Member



Julie Olson, Board Member



John Blom, Board Member



Eileen Quiring, Board Member

ATTEST:



Rebecca Tilton, Clerk of the Board

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