

Island County Board of Health
Special Meeting

Wednesday, February 21, 2001

Members Present: Commissioners William F. Thorn; Mike Shelton; Mayor Patricia Cohen; Captain John E. Tracy, MSC, USN, Ex-Officio Member; Roger S. Case, MD, Executive Secretary, Board of Health.

Absent: Commissioner Mac McDowell and Holly Schoenknecht, WGH Commissioner

Chairman William F. Thorn called the properly scheduled meeting of the Island County Board of Health to order at 5:00 p.m. He stated that this being a Special Board of Health, the agenda was set and public comments not pertaining to the published agenda would not be taken.

In the Matter of Amending the Island County Code Repealing Chapter 8.24 (Comprehensive Health Planning Ordinance No. C-106, HD-21-00) Health Services Director Tim McDonald recommended the Board of Health repeal the current Island County Code Chapter 8.24 because it is no longer valid. Commissioner Mike Shelton moved that Comprehensive Health Planning Ordinance No. C-106, HD-21-00 be approved, Commissioner Patricia Cohen seconded. The motion passed (Please note time was 5:05pm, as advertised in the legal notice published in the Whidbey News Times on January 27, 2001.)

Minutes: Commissioner Mike Shelton moved that the minutes from January 17, 2001 be accepted as written. Commissioner Patricia Cohen seconded. The minutes were approved for the Chair to sign on behalf of the Board.

Appointments: Public Health Officer, Dr. Roger Case, presented the Community Health Advisory Board Appointments and Reappointments. The following students were recommended by the CHAB Nominating Committee for Appointment to serve on the Community Health Advisory Board:

Crystal Mervyn (a junior @ Camano-Stanwood High School)

Theresa Black (a junior @ Oak Harbor High School)

Meredith Schulte (a sophomore @ Oak Harbor High School)

Lauren Hubbard (a junior @ Coupeville High School)

The following were recommended by the CHAB Nominating Committee for Reappointment to serve for a period of three years on the Community Health Advisory Board:

Mary Anderson

Chris Garden

David J. Howe

Commissioner Mike Shelton moved that Crystal Mervyn (in attendance), Theresa Black, Meredith Schulte (in attendance with her parents), and Lauren Hubbard be accepted as appointees to the CHAB; and that Mary Anderson, Chris Garden, and David J. Howe be reappointed to the CHAB. Commissioner Patricia Cohen seconded. The motion passed unanimously for the Chair to sign on behalf of the Board.

Presentation: Vicki McCarty, a Camano Island resident , presented a report on "Alzheimer Patient Support Services." She stressed the need for specialized dementia care, and that there were few facilities providing this care. She advised that we all tell our legislators that Alzheimer Care needs to have more funds appropriated, and that our legislators should strongly advocate further study before considering downsizing the State's two mental hospitals. (see attachments)

Advisory Reports:

Lisa Clark gave an update for the Opportunity Council of Island County. She stated that Human Services is facing a 24% cut in Island County. There is a crisis among the elderly who have high prescription drugs each month and families with children who need housing.

Nancy Warren gave an update for the IC-SPH&S Network. (see attachment)

Marshall Bronson presented an update for the Community Health Advisory Board. He stated that he is impressed with the enthusiasm the CHAB members have and their involvement in our community. At the March meeting CHAB will present its one-year workplan and a four-year projection of its proposed itinerary.

Jackie Henderson gave a report for the Developmental Disability Board, Mental Health Advisory Board, and the Substance Abuse Advisory Board. She stated that more funding is needed every where. Family Support dollars have been cut, 3000 families on waiting list, dollars are needed to help the DD students. The State Legislature is purposing cuts at Western State Hospital. She advised the Board that Island County anticipates more dollars for Smoking Cessation Classes. She is happy to announce the formation of "Help to Stop the Cycle Community Treatment Team for Adults".

Contracts:

Commissioner Mike Shelton moved that Personal Care/Copes No. 2001-CM/NOS-41 for amount \$90,000.00 be approved. Mayor Patricia Cohen seconded. The motion passed for the Chair to sign on the behalf of the Board.

Commissioner Mike Shelton moved that Child Care Capacity N09845 for amount \$20,000.00 be approved. Mayor Patricia Cohen seconded. The motion passed for the Chair to sign on the behalf of the Board.

Commissioner Mike Shelton moved that Region 3 Aids Service Network Contract for amount \$66,038.00 be approved. Mayor Patricia Cohen seconded. The motion passed for the Chair to sign on the behalf of the Board.

Commissioner Mike Shelton moved that Site Hazard Assessment (Amendment) G9900132 for amount \$17,250.00 be approved. Mayor Patricia Cohen seconded. The motion passed for the Chair to sign on the behalf of the Board.

Commissioner Mike Shelton moved that Amendment Northwest ESD#189 No. HD-02-01(1) for amount \$13,997.00 be approved. Mayor Patricia Cohen seconded. The motion passed for the Chair to sign on the behalf of the Board.

Commissioner Mike Shelton moved that Consolidated Contract-DOH (Amendment) No. C08645(1) for amount \$333,191.00 (1. Adds \$4583 to the WIC program for staff costs or other activities to promote WIC; 2. Changes the revenue code for the Tobacco Youth Access Program, 3. Transfers \$3000.00 in Oral Health program from Jul-Dec 2001 time period to Jan-June 2001 time period) be approved. Mayor Patricia Cohen seconded. The motion passed for the Chair to sign on the behalf of the Board.

Public Health Report: Keith Higman, Environmental Health Director, reported on a rule change signed by the EPA January 16, 2001 that reduces the MCL of arsenic in potable water from .05PPM to .01PPM. (Arsenic has adverse affect on the Central Nervous System). In Island County as many as 115 Water Systems may be considered out of compliance. DOH has suggested that perhaps 250 water systems may be out of compliance statewide. Rules governing the timeline for compliance have not been finalized, but a several-year period is contemplated.

There being no further business, Commissioner Thorn adjourned the meeting at 6.22 p.m. The Board of Health will reconvene Monday, March 19, 2001 at 5:00 PM.

Submitted: *Roger S Case, MD, Executive Secretary to the Board*

Minutes approved this 19th day of March 2001.

ISLAND COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

William F. Thorn, Chairman