



Lincoln County Health Department

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Lincoln County Health Department
Board of Health Minutes
February 21, 2023

The meeting was held in the Lincoln County Commissioners Chambers with Zoom conference call/video.

Members Present:

Commissioner Hutsell
Commissioner Coffman
Commissioner Gilcrest
Danita Hammond – community member
Dave Rettkowski – consumer
Jace Angelly – healthcare

Members Absent:

Dr. Raaj Ruparel, Lincoln County Health Officer was detained at the hospital and unable to leave.

With all members present, a quorum was present.

Call to Order:

Being the first Board of Health meeting with no chair elected, the meeting was called to order by Ed Dzedzy, Public Health Director

Approval of Agenda:

Agenda was shared but no action was taken.

Approval of Minutes:

Being the first meeting, there were no prior minutes to approve.

Public Comment:

No public comment was received.

Board Roles and Responsibilities – provided by Ed Dzedzy, Director

Board Appointments: Resolution 22-38 - was shared with Board Members resolving board appointments for Danita Hammond until December 31, 2025, Dave Rettkowski until December 31, 2024, and Jace Angelly until December 31, 2024.

Board Chair Nomination and Election:

Pursuant to RCW 70.05.030(k), Rob Coffman nominated Commissioner Hutsell as LBOH Chair. Motion was seconded by Dave Rettkowski.

The motion passed unanimously – Commissioner Hutsell was elevated Chair of the Lincoln County Health Board for 1 year.

Discussion: The Board discussed the need to have a vice chair to assure leadership present at LBOH meetings and to support the Chair.

Motion was made by Jace Angelly to nominate Danita Hammond as vice-Chair, motion seconded by Commissioner Hutsell.

The motion passed unanimously.

Public Health Updates - provided by Ed Dzedzy, Director

2023 Health Department Organization Chart

2023 Public Health Budget

2023 Major Activities

- IT infrastructure upgrades with computers, phones, web conferencing
- EH Permitting Software Upgrade – Accela
- Building Expansion – KCDA purchasing

Foundational Public Health Services Funding – history, funding levels and programs

Public Health Activities –

Community Health Assessment activities provided by Liz Richardson

Lincoln County Cares WEB Resource page update provided by Liz Richardson

Life Course Work update provided by Carey Guhlke-Falk

Let’s Get Back in the Swing” Preventive Health Fair update provided by Carey Guhlke-Falk

Public Health Topics for Future Consideration –

Reardan School Based Clinic Concept

Lincoln County Immunization Rates

Mobile Integrated Health

Board of Health Meeting Schedule:

Commissioner Hutsell recommended the Board meet every other month on the third Monday following the Board of Commissioners Meeting Schedule. Next meeting scheduled for April 17, 2023, in the Lincoln County Commissioners Chambers from 1:00 to 2:30. Meeting will be available via Zoom.

With no further business – motion was made by Danita Hammond to adjourn, second by Dave Rettkowski, Meeting Adjourned at 2:37 p.m.

