

**CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
MINUTES OF SEPT. 23, 2015**

The Board convened in the Commissioners' Hearing Room, 6th Floor, Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street, Vancouver, Washington. Board members David Madore, Jeanne E. Stewart, and Tom Mielke present.

9:00 A.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Commissioners led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA

Madore read consent agenda item #1.

ACTION: Moved by Mielke to **APPROVE** minutes for September 1, 2015. Stewart seconded the motion. Board members Madore, Stewart and Mielke voted aye. Motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

PUBLIC HEALTH IN ACTION

Dr. Alan Melnick, MD, MPH, CPH, Public Health Director, Health Officer provided some background.

- Public Health Regional Emergency Preparedness & Response (PHEPR)

Robin Albrandt, Regional Emergency Preparedness & Response Coordinator, Public Health and Scott Johnson Emergency Management Division Manager, CRESA presented and spoke about working with partners to promote community resiliency for Region IV. Further discussion ensued. Madore inquired about the family assistance center. Johnson responded. Further discussion ensued about emergency and non-emergency calls.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- HAI (Healthcare-associated infections) Grant:

Monica Czapla, Public Health presented. This grant was received from State of WA Department of Health in the amount of approximately \$415,000 over a three year period. The focus of this grant will be to build capacity for health care acquired infection prevention in our county. Further discussion ensued.

- Pertussis update:

Derel Glashower, Public Health presented. There have been a total of 317* cases (confirmed, probable, and suspect) reported in Clark County through September 18, 2015, compared to 34 cases during the same time last year. Clark County is currently experiencing an outbreak of pertussis (whooping cough). However, the number of cases currently reported each week has decreased from earlier this year. Further discussion ensued.

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- Flu update:

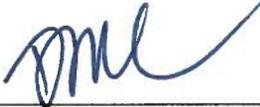
Glashower presented. Stacy WestDahl, Prestige Care, joined the discussion. Further discussion ensued about handwashing habits and hand sanitizers.

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

None

Hearing adjourned

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David Madore, Board Member

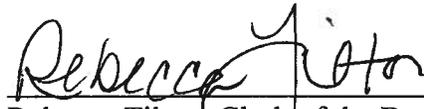


Jeanne E. Stewart, Board Member



Tom Mielke, Board Member

ATTEST:



Rebecca Tilton, Clerk of the Board

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