

The regular meeting of the Spokane Regional Health District Board of Health held on Thursday, June 30, 2022, was called to order by Commissioner Mary Kuney, Chair, at 12:45 p.m. in room 140 of the Public Health Center, 1101 West College Avenue, Spokane, Washington.

PRESENT

Commissioner Mary Kuney, Chair
Mayor Kevin Freeman, Vice Chair
Commissioner Al French
Commissioner Josh Kerns
Charlie Duranona
Alycia Policani, ND

ABSENT

Christopher Patterson

CITIZEN INPUT

Written public comment has been received and was distributed to all Board of Health members and was entered into the meeting record.

BOARD REPORTS

- The Board of Health (BOH) Chair will convene an ad-hoc transition and search committee to seek a new Spokane Regional Health District (SRHD) Administrative Officer. The Deputy Administrative Officer, Health Officer and Controller will lead the organization until a new administrative officer has been hired. Seeing no volunteers for the ad-hoc transition and search committee the BOH Chair will appoint members.
- The BOH Policy and Education Committee will meet in July.
- The BOH Budget & Finance Committee reviewed and recommended for approval the proposed budget amendment and 2022 May vouchers.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consists of items considered routine, which are approved as a group. Any member of the Board may request to remove an item from the Consent Agenda to be considered separately.

Meeting Minutes: May 26, 2022
2022 Vouchers paid: May 1-31, 2022

Voucher Numbers: #259066 - #259253	\$ 1,964,924.14
Advice Numbers: #DD70532 - #DD70773	\$916,400.89
Payroll Warrants: #1129649- #1129653	
Advice Numbers: #DD70774 - #DD71014	\$884,601.81
TOTAL	\$3,725,926.84

Motion: To approve the consent agenda as presented.

Motion/Second: Kerns/Kuney

Approved: Unanimously

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no executive session.

ACTION ITEMS

Resolution #22-03 Authorizing a 2022 General Fund Budget Amendment – Kim Kramarz, SRHD Controller

Motion: To approve Resolution #22-03 as presented.

Motion/Second: Freeman/French

Approved: Unanimously

SRHD Board of Health Bylaws Update to Address Law Changes to Local Boards of Health Structure in Washington State and the Open Public Meetings Act (OPMA) – Commissioner Kuney, BOH Chair

The bylaws will be considered at the July 28, 2022, meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORT – Kim Kramarz, Controller

- The year-end books were closed May 30 and the 2021 audit began June 1.
- The indirect, division, and program 2023 budget development will begin in July.
- The agency is at 37% of its budget and at 34% of its revenue. Fifty percent of Foundational Public Health Services and two installments of Spokane County funding have been received.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER’S REPORT – Amelia Clark, Administrative Officer

- The SRHD Administrative Officer has completed 2019 assignments from the BOH Transition Committee to include agency finance, organizational structure, and local focus.
- The Deputy Administrative Officer, Lola Phillips, will be introduced at the July 28 meeting. A staff communication regarding the ad-hoc transition and search committee will be sent to staff today.

HEALTH OFFICER REPORT – Francisco Velázquez, MD, SM, FCAP, Health Officer

- Currently, no COVID BA4 or BA5 variants have been detected in Spokane County. Vaccine providers are beginning to work on a new vaccine to cover COVID BA4 and BA5 strains which is expected to be available this fall.
- The 7-day rate of COVID infections in Spokane is currently 220.4 cases per 100,000. Daily hospital admissions are 4.1 which is a decrease from last month.
- There are 306 monkey pox cases in the nation with six in Seattle-King County area and none reported in Spokane County.

BOARD MEMBER CHECK IN

There was no Board member check-in.

NEXT BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING


The next Board of Health meeting is scheduled at 12:30 p.m. on July 28, 2022.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:41 p.m.

APPROVED: 
Commissioner Mary Kuney, Chair

Date: 7/28/2022


Ann Pitsnogle, Recording Secretary