

**MASON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH PROCEEDINGS**  
**January 24, 2012**

Attendance: Mason County Board Members: Lynda Ring-Erickson; Steve Bloomfield.

Tim Sheldon was absent.

Ex-Officio Board Members: Peggy VanBuskirk, Hospital District #2; Frank Phillips, Fire Commissioner; Mike Olsen, City of Shelton Commissioner.

Scott Hilburn, Hospital District #1 was absent.

1. Commissioner Bloomfield called the meeting to order at 3:33 p.m.
2. **Cmmr. Ring Erickson/Bloomfield moved and seconded to adopt the agenda as published. Motion carried unanimously. RE-aye; S-absent; B-aye.**
3. Election of 2012 Board of Health Chair - **Cmmr. Ring Erickson/Bloomfield moved and seconded to elect Commissioner Bloomfield as the Chair of the Board of Health for 2012. Motion carried unanimously. RE-aye; S-absent; B-aye.**
4. Correspondence – There was no correspondence.
5. **Cmmr. Ring Erickson/Bloomfield moved and seconded to adopt the regular meeting minutes of November 22, 2011 as presented. Motion carried unanimously. RE-aye; S-absent; B-aye**
6. Set 2012 Board of Health meeting dates – The meetings were scheduled to remain on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 3:30 p.m. Joint meetings with Thurston County were still being scheduled.

Cmmr. Ring Erickson noted that she would also like to schedule joint meetings with Kitsap County, Jefferson County and Grays Harbor County.

Ms. Kirkpatrick added that Thurston County was tentatively setting a five county Board of Health meeting for February 17<sup>th</sup>.

7. Appointment of Alternate Health Officers - **Cmmr. Ring Erickson/Bloomfield moved and seconded to adopt Resolution No. 01-2012, appointing an alternate local health officer for Mason County for 2012. Motion carried unanimously. RE-aye; S-aye; B-aye.**
8. Strategic Plan for Mason County Community Health Improvement -
  - 8.1 MAPPS – Mobilizing for Action Through Planning and Partnership - Kim Klint, Mason Matters, provided the Community Health Improvement Plan update. She went over the history of the project and noted that the final Community Health Improvement Plan is targeted for completion in June of 2012.
9. Office of the Director
  - 9.1 Health Officer Report – The Health Office was absent.
  - 9.2 Director Report – Ms. Kirkpatrick discussed the Central Western Washington Regional Health Improvement Collaborative. She provided a handout and went over the project proposal. She explained that the Board of Health would need to consider whether they would be willing to participate in a voluntary effort that does not have statutory authority. She noted that there were also funding challenges. The topic would be explored further at the five county joint Board of Health meeting.

Cmmr. Ring Erickson and Commissioner Bloomfield were concerned that the project still seemed very vague.

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The Board also discussed issues with healthcare for jail inmates, reducing emergency room visits and providing better access to health care for children.

10. Community and Family Health

- 10.1 Manager's Report – Lydia Buchheit reported that the flu season has been mild so far and announced that they have found new ways to keep tuberculosis treatment and diagnosis costs down. She also mentioned that one of the department's reports regarding a site visit to a local school district was shared on a national webinar.

11. Environmental Health

- 11.1 Water Quality Update – Debbie Riley reported that Anna's Bay was closed for shellfish harvesting because of flooding. Oakland Bay was also closed due to rain.  
11.2 Waivers - Ms. Riley provided the current environmental waivers for the Board's information.

12. Public Comment –

- 12.1 Constance Ibsen asked if the County was going to do baseline testing before the Belfair sewer went online.

Cmmr. Bloomfield explained that they would be testing per Department of Ecology requirements.

Ms. Ibsen also expressed concerns regarding Orca buoys. She stated that the funding runs out in March and she would like to see Mason County write a letter of support to keep the buoys.

- 12.2 Cmmr. Bloomfield discussed the need for a senior center in north Mason County.

13. Adjourn - The meeting adjourned at 5:11 p.m.

ATTEST

BOARD OF HEALTH  
MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Shannon Goudy, Clerk of the Board

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Steve Bloomfield, Chair

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Lynda Ring Erickson, Commissioner

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Tim Sheldon, Commissioner