



**BOARD OF HEALTH
Joint meeting of
THURSTON & MASON
COUNTIES**

**Minutes of May 5, 2008
2:00 P.M.**



Held at the Thurston County Courthouse
2000 Lakeridge Dr SW, Bldg 1, Room 280; Olympia, WA 98506

1) CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Thurston County Chairman Diane Oberquell called the meeting to order.

Attendance: Mason County Commissioners Lynda Ring Erickson, Ross Gallagher and Tim Sheldon, Mason County Ex-Officio Board Member Peggy Van Buskirk, Thurston County Commissioners Diane Oberquell, Robert Macleod and Cathy Wolfe, Mason and Thurston County's Health Officer Dr. Diana Yu, Mason County Public Health Director Vicki Kirkpatrick, Thurston County Public Health & Social Services Department Director Sherri McDonald, Mason County Environmental Health Division Manager Debbie Riley, Environmental Health Division Director Art Starry and Clerk of the Thurston County Board Lydia Hodgkinson.

a) Approval of Agenda –Commissioner Oberquell approved the agenda as submitted.

b) Approval of Minutes – Commissioner Macleod moved to approve the Thurston County Minutes of April 7, 2008 as submitted. Commissioner Wolfe seconded the motion. The motion carried.

2) UPDATE ON CITIZEN ISSUES - none

3) OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD - none

4) CONSENT ITEMS

a) Mason County Interlocal Agreement Amendment No.2 for 2008 Health Officer Services – Move to approve and execute Amendment No. 2 to the Interlocal Agreement for Health Officer Services between Mason County and Thurston County for the time period of January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008 for a maximum compensation of \$49,993.

Sherri McDonald described the Interlocal Agreement between Mason County and Thurston County. Commissioner Ring Erickson asked Dr. Yu if providing Health Officer Services to both Counties was satisfactory to her. Dr. Yu spoke positively regarding the relationship with both Counties. **Commissioner Macleod moved to approved consent item “a”. Commissioner Wolfe seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

5) PROTECTING PUGET SOUND IN MASON AND THURSTON COUNTY

Sherri McDonald provided a summary of this topic. Nadine Romero, Hydrogeologist with the Environmental Health Division of the Thurston County Public Health and Social Services Department, gave a presentation titled “Geology of Mason-Thurston County: What’s Below the Puget Sound?”. The presentation described Southern Puget Sound’s many unique geologic, topographic and hydrologic features, all of which provide challenges for both counties as they work to protect public health and improve water quality in the Sound. Sherri McDonald introduced Debbie Riley, the Mason County Environmental Health Manager and Art Starry, the Thurston County Environmental Health Division Director. Ms. Riley and Mr. Starry provided information on programs and responsibilities Mason and Thurston Counties have to protect Puget Sound and public health, and new challenges both Counties will face in the future. Ms. Riley and Mr. Starry then discussed with the Board members future challenges and opportunities and how public health programs can help.

6) DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Sherri McDonald discussed with the Board members the goal of having two joint Board of Health meetings a year. It was mutually agreed to have the second joint meeting for 2008 at Mason County on their regularly scheduled date of September 23, 2008. Joint issues for potential agenda topics for that meeting were discussed. Ms. McDonald and Vicki Kirkpatrick will work together to determine the agenda. Ms. Kirkpatrick expressed appreciation for the opportunity to bring the two Counties together to discuss common interests.

7) HEALTH OFFICER’S REPORT

Dr. Diana Yu provided an update of recent measles outbreak cases and discussed measles vaccination information.

Mason County Board Members thanked Thurston County Board Members for the opportunity to meet and the informative meeting content.

8) **ADJOURNMENT**

BOARD OF HEALTH
Thurston County, Washington

DIANE OBERQUELL, Chairman

ROBERT N. MACLEOD, Member

CATHY WOLFE, Member

BOARD OF HEALTH
Mason County, Washington

ROSS GALLAGHER, Chairman

LYNDA RING ERICKSON, Member

TIM SHELDON, Member

ATTEST:

Lydia Hodgkinson
Thurston County Clerk of the Board

Date: _____