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MINUTES

Board of Health Meeting

August 28, 2025

Nez Perce County Office

Board Members Present:

Connie Osborn
Dr. Randall Kloepfer
Justin McLeod
Tom Lamar
Brad Higgins
Joe Gish
Vince Frazier (via Teams)

Staff Present:

Kayla Sprenger
Tara Macke
Sherise Bruce
Mike Larson

Excused:**Guests:**

Dr. Thomas Fletcher

The August 28, 2025, Board of Health meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m. by Chair Tom Lamar.

Public Health – Idaho North Central District has created a Board of Health email for public comment. Comments in response to an agenda item for a specific meeting date must be received 24 hours in advance of the applicable meeting for routing and board member review.

Dr. Thomas Fletcher, Chair of Panhandle Health Board, introduced himself and spoke in support of Commissioner Gish's Research Request via Teams.

Chair Lamar asked for approval of the May 22, 2025, Budget Hearing and Board of Health Meeting minutes as mailed.

MOTION: Dr. Kloepfer moved, and Joe Gish seconded the motion to approve the Budget Hearing Minutes and Board of Health Meeting Minutes as presented. Carried unanimously.

DRAFT Financial Report

Ms. JeanBlanc presented the June FY 2025 DRAFT Financial Reports:

As of the June report, we are 100% of the way through this fiscal year. June year-to-date revenue totaled \$7,444,121 with a year-to-date revenue balance of (\$920,721), this is 113.8% of the budgeted revenue for the FY. Year-to-date Personnel expenses totaled \$4,051,760, with a year-to-date balance of \$551,640, this is 88.02% of the budgeted amount for the FY. Operating expenses year-to-date in June are \$636,890, with a year-to-date balance of \$246,110, this is 72.13% of the budgeted amount for the FY.

Financial Report

Ms. JeanBlanc presented the July FY 2026 Financial Reports:

As of the July report, we are 8.33% of the way through the fiscal year. July revenue year-to-date totaled \$733,300 with a year-to-date revenue balance of \$5,267,492, this is a 12.22% of budgeted revenue for the FY. Personnel expenses totaled \$302,805, with a year-to-date balance of \$4,069,987, this is 6.92% of the budgeted amount for the FY. Operating

expenses year-to-date in July are \$61,740, with a year-to-date balance of \$661,260, this is 8.54% of the budgeted amount for the FY.

MOTION: Brad Higgins moved, and Justin McLeod seconded the motion to approve the July Financials as presented. Carried unanimously.

Write-Off Reports

None at this time.

Board Reports

Commissioner Gish presented a COVID-19 data research request as well as Resolution No. 2025-1-1 in support of the request. The primary goal of the research project is to quantify the difference in all-cause mortality outcomes of COVID-19 vaccinated versus unvaccinated. The research would also quantify any temporal relationship in mortality rates between injection date and date of death. Lastly, the research project will determine if ICD-10 codes added to the death data accurately reflect their associated underlying causes of death.

Commissioner Gish requested the data as a Nez Perce County (NPC) Commissioner in February of 2025; received a Public Records Request Rejection letter from IDHW in May of 2025. In July of 2025, the NPC Board of County Commissioners unanimously passed a resolution requesting the data from IDHW; emailing resolution to IDHW Director. In July of 2025, a video conference was held with IDHW; a recommendation was made that the Board of Health vote on the research request. Discussion held.

Commissioner Gish made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2025-1-1 as submitted, hearing no second the motion failed.

Due to the failed motion, the Board discussed research being done at a higher level by the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare.

MOTION: Brad Higgins moved, and Vince Frazier seconded the motion to draft a letter to be reviewed at the September Board of Health meeting requesting the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare compile and research the requested data. Carried unanimously.

Director's Report

The Idaho Association of District Boards of Health (IAB) will be held October 15th and 16th in Boise. If you are interested in attending, please let us know.

Due to time constraints, EH Fee Increases, Lawful Presence and Funding Decreases will be discussed at the September meeting.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, September 25, 2025, at 9 a.m. at the Public Health office in Nez Perce County. The meeting will be available via Microsoft Teams and in person.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 10:47 a.m.

Tom Lamar
Board Chair

Attest: _____
Kayla Sprenger, Director
Secretary to the Board

Board Minutes approved on September 25, 2025.