

MASON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH PROCEEDINGS
411 North 5th Street, Shelton, WA
August 13, 2024

Attendance: Randy Neatherlin, County Commissioner; Kevin Shutty, County Commissioner; Sharon Trask, County Commissioner; Dr. Steven Krager, Health Officer; Darrin Moody, Hospital District No. 1; Peggy VanBuskirk, Hospital District No. 2; Miguel Gutierrez, City of Shelton; Ian Tracy, Environmental Health Manager; McKenzie Smith, Clerk of the Board; Dedrick Allen, MasonWebTV.

1. **Chair Neatherlin called the meeting to order at 11:01 a.m.**
2. **Approval of Agenda**

Cmmr. Trask/Peggy VanBuskirk moved and seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

3. **Environmental Health Report**

Ian discussed the Basic Sanitation Policy to provide guidance to staff and ensure consistency around non-permitted living conditions i.e. tents, recreational vehicles (RVs), campers, sheds, cars etc. Public Health and Human Services is aware the individuals are living in those conditions. Currently there is no support to prosecute these cases. The goal of this policy is to address these situations and provide guidance on unpermitted living conditions. This includes setting standards with achievable goals. Porta-potties, which are chemical toilets, would be allowed under this policy. Specific setbacks would also be required. If this policy is approved, a Waste Management Plan (WMP) form will be created to lay out sewage solutions and how concerns will be addressed. If the plan is not followed, an infraction will be issued to the property owner. Individuals are given one month to develop a WMP. Dave added that the purpose is to mitigate the risk. An assistance packet will be provided to help individuals as well.

RVs are suggested to get an additional holding tank. Owners are receiving notice of violation.

Darrin suggested hiring contracted Prosecutors for code enforcement.

Cmmr. Shutty/Peggy VanBuskirk moved and seconded to approve the Basic Sanitation Policy and allow the Chair to sign. Motion carried. (Darrin, Cmmr. Neatherlin opposed)

4. **Other Business and Board Discussion**

No other business or board discussion.

5. **Public Comments**

No public comment at this time.

6. **Adjourned at 11:55 a.m.**

ATTEST

McKenzie Smith
McKenzie Smith, Clerk of the Board

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Rachel Armas, Squaxin Island Health Director

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Keri Davidson, Shelton School Board