

**MASON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH PROCEEDINGS**  
**March 13, 2007**

Attendance: Board Members Lynda Ring-Erickson; Ross Gallagher; Tim Sheldon - Absent.

1. Commissioner Gallagher called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m.
2. **Cmmr. Ring Erickson/Gallagher moved and seconded to adopt the agenda as published. Motion carried unanimously. S-absent; G-aye; RE-aye.**
3. Correspondence – None
4. Minutes - None
5. Administrative Issues
  - 5.1 Health Officer's Report – Dr. Yu reported on Influenza in Mason County. She also stated that late April early May is the West Nile Virus precautionary season.
  - 5.2 Announcement – Dr. Yu appointed to the State Board of Health. - Ms. Betty Wing, interim Health Director, read a news release from the Governor's office announcing that Dr. Yu has been appointed to the State Board of Health.
6. Personal Health Issues
  - 6.1 Early Learning Summit, March 24, 2007 – Ms. Lydia Bucheit, Personal Health Manager, announced that the Mason County Health Department will be holding an Early Learning Summit on March 24, 2007 at the PUD #3.
  - 6.2 Communicable Disease Update - Ms. Joy Fulling, Public Health Nurse, presented the Board with a communicable disease report and discussed the different communicable diseases in Mason County.
7. Environmental Health Issues
  - 7.1 Environmental Health Waivers/Variations were provided to the Board for information only.
  - 7.2 Water quality update: Annas Bay and Oakland Bay work. – Debbie Riley, Environmental Health Manager, announced that the Oakland Bay Shellfish Protect District Committee will be holding their second meeting on March 14, 2007 and a brief outline for a plan of action will be presented to the Committee. The Annas Bay Shellfish Protection Response Plan Committee will be holding their last meeting next week. They will then present the Board with their final draft at a briefing the first week of April.

Ms. Riley read a portion of a letter from the Washington State Department of Health regarding the reclassification of a portion of Hood Canal #5 from prohibited to approved.

Ms. Riley presented the Board with a copy of a Shorebank Septic Loan program to repair or replace septic systems in Mason, Jefferson, and Kitsap Counties. She stated that the very first loan through the program would take place in Timberlakes.

Commissioner Ring Erickson stated that this program was discussed at her Harstine Island community meeting and the community was very interested in the program.
  - 7.3 Food Program update – Mr. Jess Mosley, Food Program Manager, presented the Board with a summary of the number and types of food establishments in Mason County and how they are involved in the Food Program.

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8. Public Comment – Ms. Constance Ibsen had questions regarding the Shorebank Septic Loan and whether it is currently available to the community.

Commissioner Gallagher stated the program should kick off on April 1, 2007.

Commissioner Ring Erickson stated they are still working on a Memorandum of Understanding with Kitsap County.

9. Public Hearing - none

10. Adjourn – The meeting adjourned at 1:09 p.m.

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Diana T. Yu, MD MSPH  
Mason County Health Officer

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