

**JEFFERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

AGENDA REQUEST

TO: Board of County Commissioners
Philip Morley, County Administrator

FROM: Leslie Locke, Deputy Clerk of the Board

DATE: May 5, 2014

SUBJECT: HEARING re: Proposed Ordinance Amending the Duties and Responsibilities of the Jefferson County Board of Health and the Appointments of its Members

STATEMENT OF ISSUE: The proposed ordinance would amend Chapter 8.00 of the Jefferson County Code regarding the Jefferson County Board of Health.

ANALYSIS: If adopted, the ordinance would amend the Board of Health's duties and responsibilities to include its existing role in appointing members of the Substance Abuse Advisory Board, and add a responsibility to coordinate the activities of the Clean Water District with the programs and activities within the purview of the Board of Health. The proposed ordinance would also revise the members, terms, appointment and vacancy provisions regarding the Board of Health with technical corrections, and provide greater flexibility in appointing at-large positions.

These proposed revisions are timely, as the County Commissioners will be considering appointments for several positions on the Board of Health in the near future. The revisions would become effective seven days after adoption.

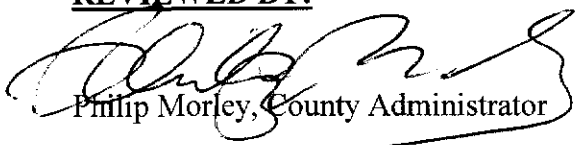
FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Board approve the proposed ordinance amending the Duties and Responsibilities of the Jefferson County Board of Health and the Appointments of its Members.

REVIEWED BY:


Philip Morley, County Administrator

4/29/14
Date

STATE OF WASHINGTON
JEFFERSON COUNTY

An Ordinance Amending the Duties and Responsibilities } ORDINANCE NO.
of the Jefferson County Board of Health, and the }
Appointment of Its Members }

WHEREAS, on May 5, 1997, the Jefferson County Board of County Commissioners adopted Ordinance No. 03-0505-97, establishing a new Chapter 8.00. Board of Health, defining the responsibilities and the membership of the Jefferson County Board of Health; and

WHEREAS, on May 16, 2005 the Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution No. 31-05 regarding the Substance Abuse Advisory Board, including delegating to the Board of Health the appointment of the Substance Abuse Advisory Board members; and

WHEREAS, on April 7, 2014, the Board of County Commissioners held a public hearing to consider an ordinance amending the Jefferson County Clean Water District, Jefferson County Code Chapter 8.65; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners wish to further amend the responsibilities of the Jefferson County Board of Health and refine how its members are appointed;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Jefferson County Board of County Commissioners as follows:

Section 1. JCC 8.00.010 as adopted by Jefferson County Ordinance No. 03-0505-97 is hereby amended to read,

8.00.010 Duties and responsibilities.

The board of health shall have responsibilities over all matters pertaining to the preservation of the life and health of the people of Jefferson County and shall:

- (1) Collect, analyze and disseminate to the community, through the Jefferson County health department, information about community health conditions, risks and resources, and the availability of resources to address identified problems;
- (2) Enact such rules, regulations and policies as are necessary to preserve, promote and improve the health status of Jefferson County residents, and guide the allocation of appropriate and necessary public health resources;
- (3) Assure that necessary, high quality, effective public health services are available for the protection of the people of Jefferson County, including the control and prevention of any dangerous, contagious or infectious disease within the county;

- (4) Provide for the prevention, control and abatement of nuisances detrimental to public health;
- (5) Enforce, through the health officer, the public health statutes of the state and county;
- (6) Establish fee schedules for issuing and renewing licenses and permits, or for such other services as are authorized by the law and rules of the State Board of Health;
- (7) Appoint the members of the Jefferson County Substance Abuse Advisory Board; and
- (8) Coordinate the activities of the Clean Water District under Chapter 8.65 JCC with other programs and activities which fall under the duties and responsibilities of the Board of Health.

Section 2. JCC 8.00.020 as adopted by Jefferson County Ordinance No. 03-0505-97 is hereby amended to read,

8.00.020 Members.

The board of health shall be composed of seven members. The three elected members of the board of county commissioners shall be members of the board of health. Four members of the board of health shall be appointed by the county commissioners. Appointed members of the board of health shall include one elected official from the city of Port Townsend city council, one Jefferson County Public Hospital District #2 commissioner; and two at-large community representatives.

Section 3. JCC 8.00.030 as adopted by Jefferson County Ordinance No. 03-0505-97 is hereby amended to read,

8.00.030 Terms.

Appointed members shall serve for three-year terms. The term of office for all appointees shall commence on the first day of June in the year in which the term is to commence.

Section 4. JCC 8.00.040 as adopted by Jefferson County Ordinance No. 03-0505-97 is hereby amended to read,

8.00.040 Appointment.

The board of county commissioners shall appoint the members of the board of health. The board of county commissioners shall request that the city of Port Townsend and Jefferson County Public Hospital District #2 each nominate one candidate for appointment to the board of health. The county commissioners shall seek applications from citizens of Jefferson County to fill the at-large membership positions on the Board of Health.

Section 5. JCC 8.00.050 as adopted by Jefferson County Ordinance No. 03-0505-97 is hereby amended to read,

8.00.050 Vacancies.

Vacancies on the board of health shall be filled by appointment by the board of county commissioners. Appointments shall be for the unexpired portion of the term of the position filled.

Section 6. Severability. If any provision of this ordinance, or its application to any person or circumstances, is held invalid, the remainder of this ordinance, or the application of the provisions to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected.

Section 7. Effective Date. This amendment to JCC 8.00 as adopted by Jefferson County Ordinance No. 03-0505-97 shall take effect seven (7) days after adoption.

ADOPTED this __ day of _____, 2014.

JEFFERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

SEAL:

John Austin, Chair

Phil Johnson, Member

David Sullivan, Member

ATTEST:

Carolyn Avery, Deputy Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM: *4/17/14*
David Alvarez

David Alvarez, Chief Civil DPA