



# Asotin County Public Health District

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Asotin County Local Board of Health Meeting

**Public Hearing**

**December 19, 2022 at 1:00 PM**

**Present:** Chuck Whitman (Chair), Skate Pierce (Vice Chair), Dan Button, Brendan Johnson, Lori Loseth, Lisa Barnes

**Absent:**

**ACHD Staff:** Internal Fiscal Administrator Margaret Burch, Administrator Brady Woodbury, ACHD Staff - Lora Gittins, Beth Usher, Collin Jurries

**Public:** Pat Paasch (and guest) – Clarkston Heights, Jim Sargent – Clarkston Heights, Randal Danato, David MacNeil, Mark Haugen, Richard Gittins, Kerri Sandaine – Lewiston Tribune

The regular Board Meeting was called to order by **Chuck Whitman** at **1:00PM**

**Public Comment:** Section Below

Topic	Discussion	Action / Follow-up
<b>Public Comment</b>		
Public Hearing Started 1:00PM Chuck read intro statements	Board of Health Members Introduced  Lisa Barnes – Public Healthcare Community Member Brendan Johnson – Community Member Dan Button – Community Member Skate Pierce – City of Clarkston Chuck Whitman – County Commissioner Chair of Board Lori Loseth – City of Asotin  Chuck read the following statement to start the Public hearing. ““You should be aware that anything you say can be recorded, even without your knowledge. So you should be conscious of anything you have to say. We have no authority to forbid tape recorded and cannot force anyone to inform us that they are tape recording, but as a courtesy to all present to would appreciate being informed if someone is recording.”	
<b>Old Business</b>		
<u>On-Site Sewage Discussion</u>	OSS Policy Review	



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<p><u>Public Comments</u></p>	<p>Brady Woodbury presented the OSS policy as a way for Asotin County to promote and protect our community in all current and future On Site Septic Installations</p> <p>Collin Jurries presented items covered of the following pages</p> <p>Page 15 – Section 160 Owner responsibilities – Operation, monitoring and maintenance (O&amp;M)</p> <p>Page 18 – Section 170 - Operation, monitoring and maintenance – Food service and other Asotin County Health District permitted establishments.</p> <p>Page 19 – Section 190 – Developments, subdivisions, and minimum land area.</p> <p><b>Action Item</b> Brady Woodbury: to clarify with DOH vertical separation definition</p> <p>Question from Member of Public (Pat Paasch – Clarkston Heights): How will this policy pertain to exiting systems?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Property of transfers will require O&amp;M plans</li><li>- No ACHD tracking currently planned without property transfers</li></ul> <p>Question from Member of the Public (Jim Sargent – Clarkston Heights): requested clarification on the O&amp;M requirements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- O&amp;M checklist reviewed</li><li>- Cost to pump would be the most expensive part of pump done provided additional system errors were not found</li><li>- Pumping should be checking the flow of system</li><li>- ACHD did not include prices for a pump as that is done through a license pumper and is not a fee paid to ACHD</li><li>- O&amp;M intended to track property transfers for systems that are sized correctly</li></ul> <p>Brady Woodbury identified that current OSS drain fields &amp; monitor ports have not been historically recorded correctly.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- This plan will establish base line for all OSS within Asotin County</li></ul>	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Many homes within our county have underdeveloped OSS</li> </ul> <p>Question from Member of the Public (Jim Sargent): How does this policy navigate the issue of current systems?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The O&amp;M would be for the buyer of a property to identify and bring up to code a current system if it does fail</li> <li>- Would only be required to bring up to code if found to be failing</li> </ul> <p>Statement from Member of the Public (Pat Paasch): As homeowner in Asotin County, they are thrilled at the work ACPH is doing to find a solution to lots of record and the WAC requirements.</p> <p>Question from Member of the Public (Randal Danato): How do members of the public find drawings &amp; all records?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ACPH should have drawings of all permitted OSS in the county</li> <li>- For OSS that were illegally installed there will not be drawings</li> <li>- Building and Planning requires that property owners must have a permit in hand before building approved/ permitted</li> <li>- If no record drawing is on file with ACPH the O&amp;M document has space sketch a rough draft of the current system for the buyer's information.</li> </ul> <p>Additional comments from the public can be emailed through 1/5/2023 to <a href="mailto:achd@achd.org">achd@achd.org</a> or mailed to PO Box 306 Asotin, WA 99502</p>	
Public Hearing Ended 1:39 PM	Chuck thanked Collin Jurries for his work on the policy and implementation	
Updates/Discussion		
Executive Session	N/A	
<b>Scheduled Meetings</b>		
Next Meeting	1:00 PM January 30, 2023, Asotin County Commissioners' Chambers	
Meeting Adjournment	Chuck Whitman adjourned meeting at 1:39 PM, after all agenda items discussed.	



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Meeting minutes taken by: *Margaret Burch, HR Administrator and Fiscal Reporting*

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