

Whatcom County Council as the Health Board

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Action Summary

**Tuesday, February 3, 2026
10 AM
Hybrid Meeting - Council Chambers**

**JOINT HEALTH BOARD/PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD MEETING -
HYBRID MEETING - ADJOURNS BY 12:00 P.M. (PARTICIPATE IN-PERSON, SEE
REMOTE JOIN INSTRUCTIONS AT www.whatcomcounty.us/joinvirtualcouncil, OR
CALL 360.778.5010)**

COUNCILMEMBERS

Elizabeth Boyle
Barry Buchanan
Ben Elenbaas
Kaylee Galloway
Jessica Rienstra
Jon Scanlon
Mark Stremler

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Cathy Halka, AICP, CMC

Call To Order

Roll Call - Health Board

Present: 7 - Elizabeth Boyle, Barry Buchanan, Ben Elenbaas, Kaylee Galloway, Jessica Rienstra, Jon Scanlon, and Mark Stremler

Roll Call - PHAB

PHAB members present: Alan Lifson, Joni Hensley, Shu-Ling Zhao, Carl Isom-McDaniel, Nathaline Nivens, Sterling Chick, Deb Shawver, Alison Fontaine, Robyn Phillips-Madson, Markis Dee Stidham, Ben Twigg, Amelia Vader, Ashley Thomasson, Chris Kobdish, Jon Scanlon, and Amy Harley

Announcements

Public Comment

Special Order of Business

1. [AB2026-003](#) Reorganization of the Whatcom County Council for 2026

NOMINATED AND APPOINTED

Motion approved to appoint Jon Scanlon as Chair of the Whatcom County Health Board.

Motion approved to appoint Elizabeth Boyle as Vice Chair of the Whatcom County Health Board.

Special Presentation

1. [AB2026-106](#) Update from the Health Director

PRESENTED

2. [AB2026-107](#) Update from the Health Officers

PRESENTED

3. [AB2026-108](#) Update from the Public Health Advisory Board Chair

PRESENTED

4. [AB2026-111](#) Presentation from the Public Health Advisory Board on 2025 accomplishments and 2026 workplan

PRESENTED

5. [AB2026-054](#) Presentation on locally-led health initiatives

PRESENTED

Other Business

Adjournment