

Orcas Island Health Care District

Board of Commissioners Regular Board Meeting

September 23rd, 2026

5:00 – 6:30 PM

Orcas Island Public Library
500 Rose St, Eastsound, WA 98245

Or online via Zoom:

Join Zoom Meeting

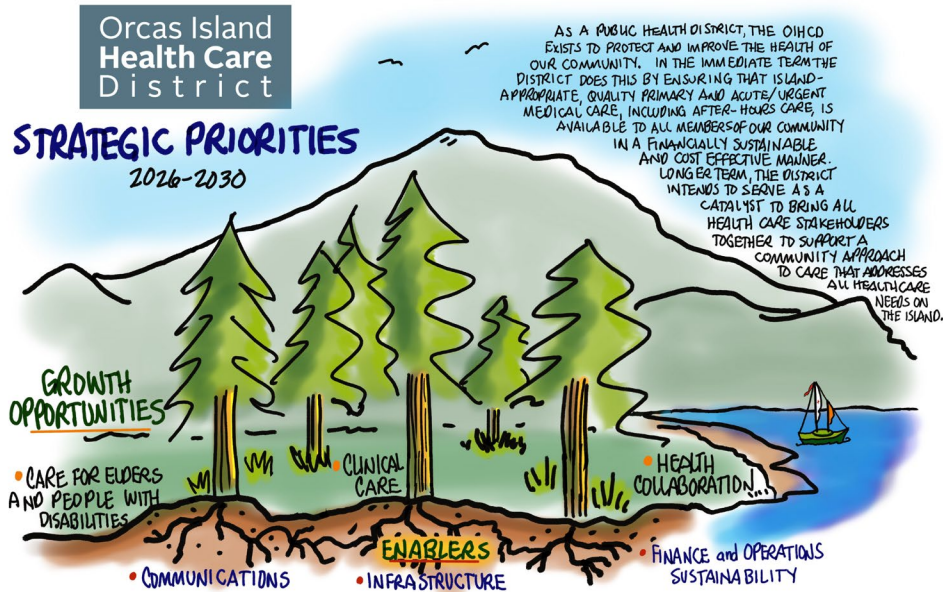
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Agenda

- I. **Call To Order – Regular Board Meeting** President Salierno
- II. **Land Acknowledgement & Mission Minute**
- III. **Regular Meeting Public Comment** President Salierno
Comments received via email will be read by the Superintendent. Meeting participants will be asked to raise their hand and will be called on to deliver their comment.

Generally, the Commissioners do not respond to specific comments or engage in dialogue during the public comment period; however, the President may direct staff to follow up with the speaker as appropriate. Public comment is for members of the public to inform the Board of their views regarding Board business.
- IV. **Consent Agenda – Action** President Salierno
 - a. **Special Board Meeting Minutes – 08/31/2026**
 - b. **AP Voucher Report – 09/08/2026 - \$82,381.54**
 - c. **AP Voucher Report – 09/22/2026 - \$16,172.63**

Action: Approve Consent Agenda
- V. **Superintendent Report** Superintendent Chord
2026 Strategic Priority Areas:
Enablers –
 - a. **Communications**
 - i. Newsletter, social media posts happening regularly.
 - ii. Will focus on services supported by the district the next few months, including dental, OCRC, Community Health Network.
 - iii. Feeling like I have capacity to put together a district article through Sounder this week.



b. Infrastructure

- Pre-construction bids received from three GCs, evaluating selection and should have decision by this week.
- Updated Architecture & Design work, with additional service requests to support re-design after pre-construction, more time with clinic staff, and add-on work for civil engineering team.
- Met with High Point (Katie Newman) and Rick Hughes to discuss legislative actions.
- Maintenance worker has been working on projects!

c. Finance & Operations Sustainability

- Long-range forecast that includes the 2027 budget updated

Growth Opportunities -

d. Care for Elders and People with Disabilities

- Home Health Shortage Area Designation – should be submitted to the state, will be waiting to hear back about next steps.
- MIH Committee meeting in Early October to discuss current state – should be signing agreement with data platform and recruiting nurse coordinator position.
- Caregiver Collaborative continues to meet monthly, with the next four months of education topics planned.
- Trillium & Chris planning to meet with SJCPHD#1 to see where capacity with village at home is.

e. Clinical Care

- General Surgery visiting the island 1x a month for consults, which they would like more promotion around
- Two RNs have been hired at the clinic, and one MA; Still one MA opening

- f. **Health Collaboration**
 - i. September 17th semi-annual convening on Lopez – great attendance and health systems representation
- VI. **New Business –**
 - a. **Inter-local agreement: Financial Support for Community Health Network**
 - i. Potential Action: Approve Inter-local agreement
 - b. **Legislative Lobbyist Support**
 - i. **Potential Action:** Approve contract with lobbyist
 - c. **DLR Add Service Request**
 - i. **Potential Action:** Approve updated contract to support additional services
 - d. **Pre-Construction Contracting**
 - i. **Potential Action:** Approve Pre-con Contract
- VII. **2027 Draft Budget Review**
 - a. Schedule for future reviews – time of meetings
- VIII. **Public Comment** President Salierno

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- IX. **Upcoming Meetings & Activities - Information**
 - a. **OIHCD Special Board Meeting** – Monday October 19th
 - b. **OIHCD Budget & Levy Hearing/Special Board Meeting** – Thursday November 12th
- X. **Adjourn – Action** President Salierno

Land Acknowledgement:

We acknowledge that Orcas Island is the traditional land of the Coast Salish peoples, including the Lummi and Samish tribes. They have lived here and cared for this land for generations, and they continue to do so today. We honor their connection to this place.