

PUBLIC HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
McHenry County Administration Building
667 Ware Road, Conference Room A
Woodstock IL 60098

MINUTES OF WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2009

Chairman Orphal called the meeting to order at 8:15 a.m. The following Committee Members were present: Lyn Orphal, Chairman; Randy Donley; Mary Donner; and Virginia Peschke. Mary McCann arrived at 8:19a.m. Sandra Salgado and Anna May Miller were absent. Also present: Peter Austin, County Administrator; John Labaj, Deputy County Administrator; Julie Courtney, Workforce Network; Pat McNulty, Health Department; Sandy Lewis, Don Larson, Bob Lessor, and Jane Wacker, Mental Health; and Mike Iwanicki, Veteran's Assistance Commission.

Lyn Orphal, Chairman	
Mary L. Donner	Randy Donley
Mary T. McCann	Anna May Miller
Virginia Peschke	Sandra Salgado

MINUTES

Ms. Donner made a motion, seconded by Mr. Donley, to approve the minutes of September 9, 2009 as submitted. The motion carried with all members present voting aye on a voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

PRESENTATION: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution authorizing a budget line item transfer in the Workforce Network FY09 budget: Committee members reviewed a Resolution authorizing a budget line item transfer in the Workforce Network FY09 budget. Mr. Donley made a motion, seconded by Ms. Peschke to recommend approval of the above Resolution as presented. Ms. Courtney stated that this line item transfer is to address needs in the summer youth program. At the time the budget for this program was approved it was not known how much funding would be received. 211 youth were served through the program. 10% of the youth were able to get hired after the end of the program. The motion carried with all members present voting aye on a roll call vote (Donley, Donner, Peschke Orphal)

Resolution authorizing acceptance of the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity grant #09-641202 and an emergency appropriation to the FY09 budget: Committee members reviewed a Resolution authorizing acceptance of the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity grant #09-641202 and an emergency appropriation to the FY09 budget. Ms. Donner made a motion, seconded by Mr. Donley to recommend approval of the above Resolution as presented. These grant funds are to be used to fund two case managers to provide services to dislocated workers from Intermatic and Laser Tek. The motion carried with all members present voting aye on a roll call vote (Donley, Donner, Peschke, Orphal)

Ms. McCann arrived at 8:19a.m.

Resolution authorizing County financial support of a Breast and Cervical Cancer Program for FY2010: Committee members reviewed a Resolution authorizing County financial support of a Breast and Cervical Cancer Program for FY2010. Committee members were informed that this Resolution has been taken out of order and already reviewed and approved by the Finance and Audit Committee in order to get on the next County Board agenda for consideration. The name of the Resolution was changed to a Resolution authorizing acceptance of an Illinois Breast and Cervical Cancer Program (IBCCP) Funding in the amount of \$268,350 and committing up to \$158,000 in County financial support for FY2010. Ms. Peschke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Donley to recommend approval of the above Resolution as submitted. This is for the renewal of the State's Breast and Cervical Cancer program. The center has caught some cancers that otherwise may have been missed and have referred these patients to obtain additional treatment. The department will be providing additional publicity to get the word out regarding the program. This is an age specific, low income program. A presentation regarding this program will be presented at a later date. The motion carried with all members present voting aye on a roll call vote (Donley, Donner, McCann, Peschke, Orphal)

Resolution authorizing acceptance of a \$75,000 grant from the Illinois Children's Healthcare Foundation for the Health Department Dental Care Clinic: Committee members reviewed a Resolution authorizing acceptance of a \$75,000 grant from the Illinois Children's Healthcare Foundation for the Health Department Dental Care Clinic. Ms. Donner made a motion, seconded by Ms. McCann to recommend approval of the above Resolution as submitted. Mr.

McNulty stated that this grant will help to keep this program going. Some of the funds will be used to hire a case manager for the program. The motion carried with all members present voting aye on a roll call vote (Donley, Donner, McCann, Peschke, Orphal)

Resolution authorizing acceptance of a \$351,543 grant from the Illinois Department of Public Health for Public Health Emergency Response and to make an emergency appropriation to the Health Department's FY09 budget and an adjustment to the proposed FY2010 budget: Committee members reviewed a Resolution authorizing acceptance of a \$351,543 grant from the Illinois Department of Public Health for Public Health Emergency Response and to make an emergency appropriation to the Health Department's FY09 budget and an adjustment to the proposed FY2010 budget. Ms. Peschke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Donley to recommend approval of the above Resolution as presented. Mr. McNulty informed committee members that this is the H1N1 emergency response grant. This is a short term program that is expected to be completed during the winter months. Three rental units have been obtained for storage and dispensing of the vaccine. The department has not received the vaccine yet. The vaccine is expected to trickle in at first and then they should see the remaining vaccines to be received all at once. The normal vaccine has been bumped to expedite the manufacturing of the H1N1 vaccine. The department has found the regular vaccine is available at area grocers and drug stores. Committee members were informed that the Finance and Audit Committee has already reviewed and approved this Resolution so that it could be reviewed by the County Board in a timely manner. The motion carried with all members present voting aye on a roll call vote (Donley, Donner, McCann, Peschke, Orphal)

Resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation to the McHenry County Mental Health Board FY2009 budget for Retirement of Debt: Committee members reviewed a Resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation to the McHenry County Mental Health Board FY2009 budget for Retirement of Debt.

Discussion – three expiring terms on the Senior Services Grant Commission: Mr. Labaj joined committee members and informed that there are three members on the Senior Services Grant whose terms are about to expire. The representative from McCog and the not for profit representatives terms are about to expire. He questioned whether an advertisement should be run to advertise the openings or if the committee members would like to hold interviews for these appointments. Committee members were informed that all of the incumbents have stated a desire to be reappointed to the commission. Committee members agreed that the current members are good members and they would like to see all three members serve an additional term for reappointment to the commission.

Confirm committee meeting dates/times for 2010: Committee members discussed meeting times and dates of the committee for 2010. Committee members agreed to keep the committee meeting dates the same as they currently stand. They will meet at 8:15a.m. on the second Wednesday of the month.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

REPORTS TO COMMITTEE:

Workforce Network/WIB: The committees have been working on their strategic plans.

Housing Authority: The Housing Authority has been working to distribute grants for homeless prevention. They have been providing rental and mortgage assistance in order to keep people in their homes. This is stimulus funds to help with temporary needs. The individuals must verify their need and show that this is a short term request.

Board of Health: The department is working on review of their yearly grants. The H1N1 is consuming staff resources of the department. Animal Control has started their negotiations with the union. Mr. McNulty stated that the department has been working with the schools to set up clinics in each of the schools for H1N1 distribution. They are working with Centegra to help with the implementation of this program. They will be getting the word out at the schools regarding the need for both the students and their families to be vaccinated. The only legitimate excuse not to be vaccinated would be because of transportation issues. If there is a problem obtaining transportation they are trying to work out the logistics to hook these individuals up with needed services.

Mental Health: The NAMI walk took place last week during Mental Health Awareness week. Staff raised over \$1,000 during this event. Tonight a candlelight vigil is being held bringing additional awareness to Mental Health issues. There was a pre-release viewing of the movie on mental health issues. 160 people signed up for the viewing. District 200 has indicated a desire to show the film to their students as well. The department is helping to two entities that have received SAMSA grants. The department has taken a leadership role for these groups since they have been working with their grant for the past several years. Committee members were reminded that the Mental Health Board has received some negative press regarding their building of their new facility. The Mental Health Board has 43.25 full time staff members. Only 24 of the staff members are paid for with County funds. The remaining employees are paid from grants received. The administrative costs for the facility is 7% while other Mental Health Boards cost run from 9% to 20%. Even though they have a larger department, they have a lower budget.

Committee members were informed that they have been trying to get a federally qualified health clinic in the County. A clinic can only be obtained only if there is already an approved clinic in the area. The Elgin Health Clinic has been approved to open a new clinic within the County. This information will be presented to the County Board during their second meeting in November.

Committee members were informed that some of the board members are up for renewal and it is hopeful that the current members will be reappointed to the board.

Senior Services: The contracts for next year are being forwarded to the County Board for approval. Some of the services for home health care have been reduced by the State. They are looking for assistance for this program.

VAC: Mr. Iwanicki informed committee members that he has created a handbook with a guide for services available from the VAC. This has been revised and updated as the laws have changed. This has been reviewed by the Attorney General's office. The main reason for the handbook was to close the loopholes so that they are in compliance with current laws and so they are concurrent with public aid pay and pay for benefits based upon costs in the area. The VAC has been working on changes to their bylaws since January. These will come before the County Board for approval. The State Association is looking to set a standardized set of rules for the VAC. This will be a hybrid of the rules from Will/Kane/McHenry counties. The VAC has received word that they will be receiving a \$10,000 grant for dental and eye care for veterans. They are excited that this program has been extended to the coming year. The PACE van is expected to be picked up on the 10th. A ribbon cutting will be held at 11:30a.m. on this date. This 13 passenger mini bus replaces the outdated 5 passenger van.

Committee members questioned if a meeting will be held next month as Veterans Day lands on the committee meeting date. Committee members were informed that some grant paperwork is expected for both Mental Health and the Health Department in the near future so a meeting in November would be needed. Chairman Orphal stated she would work with Administration to figure out a date for the next committee meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Noting no further business, Ms. McCann made a motion, seconded by Ms. Peschke to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 a.m. The motion carried with a unanimous voice vote.

RECOMMENDED FOR BOARD ACTION:

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Resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation to the McHenry County Mental Health Board FY09 budget for retirement of debt

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