

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

DATE: December 17, 2012

PLACE: Norwood Health Center, Classroom - Marshfield

PRESENT: Tom Buttke, Mike Feirer, Peter Hendler, Marion Hokamp, Bonnie Jaecks, Doug Machon, Donna Rozar, Lori Slattery-Smith R.N. (via phone)

EXCUSED: Jeffrey Koszczuk D.O., Sue Kunferman

ALSO PRESENT: Kathy Roetter and Rhonda Kozik (Human Services), Kathy Alft (Health Department), Amy Slattery (Edgewater Haven), Rock Larson (Veteran Services)

1) Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chair Rozar.

2) Quorum

A quorum was declared.

3) Public Comments

No members of the public were present to make comments.

4) Correspondence

- Recognition of the Health Department as recipients of two United Way of Inner Wisconsin awards--100% participation with 28 employees and \$115.91 per capita giving
- 2013 Health & Human Services Committee meeting dates/locations
- The Health Department has received their site visit date for national accreditation. Kathy Alft shared that the Wood County Health Department is one of the first nationwide to reach this step in the process. The Department is the first Wisconsin county with a scheduled site visit date.
- Forbes magazine article highlighting how Wood County has used federal prevention dollars to help local residents eat well, stay fit, and prevent chronic disease – changing community attitudes about health and wellness in the process
- Department Head evaluation forms – to be completed by committee members in advance of next month's meeting

5) Consent Agenda

Motion (Hendler/Hokamp) to approve the consent agenda as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

6) Discussion and consideration of items removed from consent agenda

n/a

7) Financial Statements – Edgewater Haven, Human Services, Norwood Health Center

Financial statements were reviewed and specific questions answered by appropriate department heads.

8) Update on Edgewater Haven renovation project

Amy Slattery provided an update and noted plans are to complete the therapy wing by late April 2013. The project is moving along well with significant savings which should bring this portion of the renovation project in under budget.

9) Space Needs Committee recommendations relating to the Department of Human Services

Chair Rozar explained that the creation of the Department of Human Services resulted in service delivery at 7 locations. The Ad Hoc Space Needs Committee's recommendation for Marshfield is to rebrand the Norwood Health Center location (to a Wood County Health and Government Center) and move all departments currently leasing space in the City Hall Plaza to the Norwood location upon the expiration of the lease in 2014. Communications infrastructure is a critical component of the move. The Executive Committee is committed to investing infrastructure dollars necessary with this move. The Ad Hoc Committee's recommendation for Wisconsin Rapids is to possibly sell the 12th Street location and land near the Highway Department, request permission from the City to close Avon Street, and use proceeds of sale towards adding square footage to the Courthouse. This item will be discussed again at next month's meeting.

[Mike Feirer and Tom Buttke excused at 5:15 pm.]

10) Options for Crisis/Transition Unit at Norwood Health Center

Kathy Roetter explained that the Crisis/Transition Unit was a budgeted item for 2013. Rhonda Kozik provided an explanation of additional options for consideration. 2013 program improvement costs were shared and two possible staffing models described. There was committee consensus to meet with a contracted provider and obtain additional information to present at the January or February Health & Human Services Committee meeting.

11) Legislative Issue Updates

Department heads provided legislative updates regarding issues pertaining to their departments.

12) Items for Future Agenda

Rozar noted items for future agendas.

13) Date/Time of Next Meeting(s)

January 28, 2013; 5:00 p.m. Human Services Centralia, Brehm Conference Room – Wisconsin Rapids

14) Adjourn

Motion (Hendler/Machon) to adjourn at 5:49 p.m.

Minutes taken by Kathy Alft and reviewed by Mike Feirer, Secretary.

Minutes subject to committee approval.

Mike Feirer, Secretary
Health and Human Services Committee