

WASHINGTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING (HEALTH AND AGING LIASON COMMITTEE)

April 1, 2009

Members Present: Supervisor Charlene Brady, Supervisor Melvin Ewert, Supervisor William Meyers, Supervisor Joan Russell, Christian Klemmer, Doreen Buntrock, Patricia Hrobsky, Dr. Laura Radke and Health Officer Linda Walter

Excused: Margaret Anderson, Environmental Health Specialist

Others attending: Doug Johnson, County Administrator, Kimberly Nass, County Attorney; Herbert Tennes, County Board Chairperson; Supervisor Dan Goetz; DHS/DPH/FSRL Section Chief James Kaplanek; Georgia Cameron, SERO Deputy Director; Shari Winter, Assistant Director, Bruce Jordan, Public Health Data Specialist

Chairperson, Charlene Brady, called the meeting of the Washington County Board of Health to order at 10:30 a.m. Notice of Posting was given.

Introductions were made.

Minutes from Previous Meeting:

Motion by Melvin Ewert, **Seconded** by Patricia Hrobsky to approve the minutes of the March 4, 2009 meeting. **Motion Carried.**

Ongoing Discussion of local food safety and recreational licensing services (agent status)

Linda shared a PowerPoint presentation that will be used for the Health Department 2008 annual report to the County Board in May. It was a brief overview of the new food safety and recreational licensing services that the Board of Health is proposing to start in 2010. Linda also reported on individual contacts made to facility operators this past month and shared a folder of information including a support form developed on the recommendation of one of the individuals contacted. Linda reported that facility license holders contacted continue to be supportive of local services. Discussion on local versus state services and other related topics followed. After the discussion Board members thanked Supervisor Dan Goetz who is also a licensed facility operator for his comments, concerns and questions during the discussion. The Board also thanked James Kaplanek from the state program for sharing his expertise and being available today to answer questions. The Board suggested no changes to the proposal document dated 3/20/09 they received prior to the meeting and no questions on how to interpret the financial analysis also distributed previously. Linda reviewed with the Board that several of the financial scenarios outlined over the next 4 years were more conservative than the state's estimates, but that new revenue could support one full time E2 or E3 Environmental Health (EH) Specialist position, creation of a new EH Supervisor position through promotion of an existing employee and a new EH part time support position. This is one less full time position than originally requested. The Board of Health intends to do a final review and vote at the May 6th meeting on the proposal. This will allow time for the proposal to be forwarded to the County Executive Committee for their recommendation to

the County Board and inclusion in the 2010 budget preparations. Linda will prepare a draft resolution for Board of Health review and approval for the May 6th meeting also.

Director's Announcements:

- Shari Winter reported that a 14 Carrot Gold Award is being given to The Healthy People Project for increasing accessibility to fruits and vegetables by establishing Farmer's Markets at local businesses in the county during the summer months. The award recognizes the promotion of increased fruit and vegetable consumption with a strategy to reduce overweight and obesity problem in the nation. The award is a joint effort of the Wisconsin WIC Program, the Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program and the Wisconsin Nutrition and Physical Activity Program.
- Distribution of the post card sized printed literature being distributed to promote the Free Medicine Collection Day for Washington County Residents – Saturday, April 18th and Health Department employees will participate again this year.
- April 4 – 12 is National Public Health Week and the slogan this year is “Behind Every Great Health Department is a Great Staff”

Next Meeting & Adjournment:

The next meeting for the Board of Health is scheduled for Wednesday, May 6, 2009 at 10:30 a.m. in room 1145 of the PAC. **Motion** by Patricia Hrobsky, **Seconded** by Laura Radke to adjourn at 12:06 p.m. **Motion Carried.**