

Minutes of the Health Committee

The Health Committee of the McLean County Board met on Monday, November 6, 2017, at 4:30 p.m. at the Government Center Building, 115 E. Washington Street, Bloomington, IL.

Members Present: Chairman Susan Schafer, Members: George Gordon, George Wendt, Randall Martin and Catherine Metsker and Laurie Wollrab

Members Absent: Member Carlo Robustelli

Other Members Present: Member Jacob Beard

Staff Present: Mr. Bill Wasson, County Administrator; Mr. Eric Schmitt, Administrative Services Director; Don Knapp, Assistant State's Attorney – Civil Division; Ms. Julie Morlock, Recording Secretary, County Administrator's Office;

Department Heads/

Elected Officials Present: Ms. Cindy Wegner, Nursing Home Director; Ms. Cathy Waltz, Juvenile Detention Center; Ms. Michelle Welch, Adult Detention; Ms. Cathy Coverston-Anderson, Interim Health Department Director

Others Present: Ms. Cathy Dryer, Mr. Tom Anderson, and Ms. Kim Anderson, Ms. Laura Beavers Health Department; Ms. Sonja Reece, Board of Health; Ms. Judy Buchanan, Board of Health

Chairman Schafer called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. and declared a quorum.

Chairman Schafer presented the minutes from the Monday, October 2, 2017 regular meeting for approval.

Motion by Wollrab/Martin to approve the minutes from the regular meeting.
Motion carried.

Chairman Schafer confirmed there were no appearances by members of the public.

Cathy Coverston-Anderson, Interim Health Department Administrator presented the Activity Summary for January – September 2017 and her General Report. Chairman Schafer asked if the Committee had any questions for Ms. Coverston-Anderson; hearing none, she thanked her.

Ms. Wegner, Director of the Nursing Home presented for action a request to approve the Nursing Home 2018 Private Pay Rate. Mr. Wendt asked her how our private room rate compares with the private sector facilities. Ms. Wegner indicated that it is less than what others charge. Mr. Wendt asked how many private rooms we have and if they are filled on a regular basis. Ms. Wegner indicated that the private rooms are full and tend to remain full. Mr. Wendt asked how many beds are filled today. Ms. Wegner stated current census is 100

and has been for the last month or two. Mr. Wendt stated that was why he was concerned with setting the number at 115 and asked about plans to make sure they can achieve that increase. Ms. Wegner indicated they are providing hospitals and families that come to view the facility with new information including three star rating and accreditation through Providigm. Mr. Wendt asked if expense figures in budget are based on 115 beds and if there was a way to determine fixed costs and variable costs to help determine how much costs would go up with increased number of residents. Ms. Wegner indicated budget is based on 115 resident and that there were many variables in all areas of care for residents so difficult to get a set number.

Ms. Wollrab stated she was also concerned about 15% increase in resident rate and felt the budget should be based on history of 100 residents per day. Ms. Wegner indicated that historically the budget has been based on census of 135 and chose to reduce it this year based on lower census. Mr. Wasson stated that part of the determination for 115 residents was tiered level staffing to meet IDHP standards and if you go above 115, you move to next tier, which requires increased staffing. Mr. Wasson stated that numbers fluctuate greatly from month to month and while he did not anticipate numbers reaching 130 residents, he felt that the 115 number was attainable during the 2018 fiscal year. Mr. Gordon asked them to confirm that reference to 115 is the average census in all of 2018.

Ms. Metsker stated that if we use 100 residents/day the rate would be 243/day, which is high, but she felt more realistic for budget. Ms. Metsker asked if there were other things not including rating and accreditation that Ms. Wegner and the County can do to help get to 115 and meet budget numbers. Ms. Wegner indicated they are getting out to hospitals, home health agencies and other places for recruitment; and budgeted for improvements to the therapy department. She indicated that many do not see the Nursing Home as a place to receive therapy or rehab-to-home services, but only as a long-term care facility, so they are working to get therapy information to services providers. Ms. Metsker asked her to confirm we can offer same as other facilities for rehab. Ms. Wegner confirmed. Mr. Martin asked her to confirm that cost per day has increased 9% but we are only asking for a 5% increase in room rates. Ms. Wegner stated that was correct, as industry standard is 5%. Ms. Schafer asked how much less the McLean County Nursing Home rates are when compared to other facilities. Ms. Wegner indicated that it ranges anywhere from \$5 to \$30 a day. Ms. Schafer asked her to confirm that increasing rates would affect Medicaid receivables on our books. Mr. Wasson stated that we book private pay rates until determine a resident is Medicaid eligible and then recalculate fees, but need to increase private pay rate as those rates bring in needed revenue for the Nursing Home. Ms. Schafer called for the vote.

Motion by Gordon/Martin to recommend approval of the Nursing Home
2018 Private Pay Rate.
Motion Failed.

Ms. Schafer asked if any member had an alternate motion. Ms. Wollrab asked if we could base the rate on 107 residents/day. She stated that she felt we need to charge enough to cover costs. Ms. Metsker agreed that she would like to see us get closer to the 9% increase in cost of care. Mr. Wendt asked if there were areas where expenses could be reduced to help close the gap. Ms. Wollrab made a motion to base private pay rate on 107

residents/day instead of 115/day. Mr. Gordon stated that the projected days would drop by nearly 3,000, which is a big drop. No second to the motion was presented. Ms. Schafer asked if anyone had a different motion. Mr. Wendt indicated that he felt the Committee should go back to the original motion as proposed rates probably not sustainable and he felt we might lose residents. Mr. Wendt moved to reconsider the original motion. No second to the Motion was presented.

Ms. Wollrab proposed that we increase the rates based on percentage and not resident days and asked what the rate would be with a 7% increase. Mr. Wasson presented a semi-private rate of \$209/day based on a 7% increase. Mr. Gordon asked them to confirm that would be the new Medicare rate. Mr. Wasson confirmed. Mr. Wendt asked if we get enough from Medicare to pay for private room rate. Mr. Wasson confirmed it is enough to cover room rate.

Motion by Metsker/Martin to set the private pay rate at \$225 and the semi-private rate at \$209, which represents a 7% increase across the board.
Motion Carried.

Ms. Wegner presented her monthly reports and accreditation information. Ms. Metsker asked about publicity on receiving accreditation. Ms. Wegner indicated she would be issuing a press release. Ms. Wegner discussed program, accreditation, and stated that people look at this so it will help with recruitment. Ms. Schafer asked if this would help with Star rating. Ms. Wegner indicated that it will as it helps them prepare for survey. Chairman Schafer asked if there were any other questions from the Committee; hearing none, she thanked Ms. Wegner.

Ms. Waltz and Ms. Welch presented the reports for the Juvenile Detention Center and Adult Detention Center. Chairman Schafer asked if there questions, hearing none, she thanked them for the information.

Mr. Wasson presented the following budgets for review and approval:

Health Depart Dental Sealant Grant Fund (0102), Health Depart WIC Grant Fund (0103), Health Depart Preventive Health Program Grant Fund (0105), Health Depart Family Case Management Grant Fund (0106), Health Depart Aids/Communicable Disease Control Grant Fund (0107), Health Depart Federal Financial Participation Program Grant Fund (0109), Health Depart Persons/Developmental Disabilities Grant Fund (0110), Health Depart Fund (0112) Mental Health (0060), Environmental Health (0061), Personal Health Services (0062), Administrative Support (0063), Immunization Program (0064), Health Promotion (0067), Problem Solving Courts (0069), Community Outreach (0096), and TB Care & Treatment Program (0111) Programs.

Mr. Wasson indicated that only changes since Committee discussions last month were to the 106 and 112 Funds. Mr. Wasson stated there was a reduction of .80 FTE for a public health nurse. Ms. Dreyer explained that the public health nurse was an open position and because job duties were similar to a position in Community Outreach, they were able to combine the two positions. Mr. Gordon asked for clarification on numbers. Mr. Schmitt went over the numbers. Mr. Wendt stated that he previously noted Health Department revenue

went up 3.5% but expenses went up 6% and asked if they were able to close the gap. Ms. Dreyer indicated this was only change and it will not close the gap between these the two numbers.

Motion by Wollrab/Martin to recommend approval of budgets for Health Dept. Dental Sealant Grant Fund (0102), Health Depart WIC Grant Fund (0103), Health Depart Preventive Health Program Grant Fund (0105), Health Depart Family Case Management Grant Fund (0106), Health Depart Aids/Communicable Disease Control Grant Fund (0107), Health Depart Federal Financial Participation Program Grant Fund (0109), Health Depart Persons/Developmental Disabilities Grant Fund (0110), Health Depart Fund (0112) Mental Health (0060), Environmental Health (0061), Personal Health Services (0062), Administrative Support (0063), Immunization Program (0064), Health Promotion (0067), Problem Solving Courts (0069), Community Outreach (0096), and TB Care & Treatment Program (0111) Programs as presented.

Motion Carried.

Mr. Wendt voted against.

Mr. Wasson presented the Nursing Home (0401-0090) budget for review and approval. Mr. Wasson noted that this budget would be amended based on the action of the committee to adjust fees. Mr. Schmitt provided updated numbers to the Committee. Ms. Schafer asked if budgeted expenses included a possible Alzheimer's Unit. Ms. Wegner confirmed there were expenses in the budget for a possible Alzheimer's Unit. Mr. Wendt asked about changes that would need to be made to the Nursing Home building for the Alzheimer's Unit. Mr. Wasson indicated that changes to door alarms, entryways and nurses stations would need to occur for the proposed unit. Ms. Metsker asked about revenue in a maintenance line. Mr. Wendt asked if they could amend the budget to remove amount being considered for Alzheimer's unit. Ms. Schafer stated they would not move forward with unit until a study was completed regarding needs of the community and options for the Nursing Home and only in the budget in case it is determined to be feasible. Mr. Wendt indicated he would rather it be removed until determined feasible. Motion by Mr. Wendt to remove amount in the capital expenditure line for the proposed Alzheimer's Unit. Motion did not receive a second.

Motion by Metsker/Wollrab to recommend approval of the Nursing Home (0401-0090) budget as amended by action previously taken by the Committee regarding private and semi-private room rates for 2018.

Motion Carried.

Mr. Wendt voted against.

Chairman Schafer asked if there was any other business to consider before going into Closed Session. Ms. Wollrab stated that in Finance Committee a joint meeting with the Health Committee was mentioned and asked about status. Mr. Wasson stated that the Chairman of the Board is considering it. Ms. Schafer pointed out the meeting dates for 2018, including 3 dates that do not fall on first Monday because of holidays or a Monday before an Executive Committee meeting.

Chairman Schafer presented for approval three transfers from the Health Department and bills in the amount of \$248,746.11.

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 AS OF 10/29/2017
 EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY FUND

Health Committee - Board of Health

FUND	FUND TITLE	PENDING TOTAL	PREPAID TOTAL	FUND TOTAL
0102	DENTAL SEALANT GRANT		\$24,303.20	\$24,303.20
0103	HEALTH DEPT. - WIC		\$4,817.50	\$4,817.50
0105	PREVENTIVE HEALTH PROGRAM		\$442.04	\$442.04
0106	FAMILY CASE MANAGEMENT		\$13,399.49	\$13,399.49
0107	AIDS/COMM.DISEASE CONTROL		\$7,908.58	\$7,908.58
0112	HEALTH DEPARTMENT		\$197,875.30	\$197,875.30
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			\$248,746.11	\$248,746.11


 COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Motion by Martin/Gordon to approve the transfers and bills for the Board of Health as presented.
 Motion carried.

Chairman Schafer presented the bills for the Developmental Disability Board in the amount of \$85,735.22.

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Health Committee - Dev. Disability Board

FUND	FUND TITLE	PENDING TOTAL	PREPAID TOTAL	FUND TOTAL
0110	PERSONS/DEV.DISABILITY		\$85,735.22	\$85,735.22
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			\$85,735.22	\$85,735.22


 COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Motion by Metsker/Martin to approve bills for the Developmental Disability Board as presented.
 Motion carried.

Chairman Schafer presented for approval bills in the amount of \$36,643.71 for Jail Medical and JDC Medical.

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EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY FUND

Health Committee - Jail Med & JDC Med

FUND	FUND TITLE	PENDING TOTAL	PREPAID TOTAL	FUND TOTAL
0135	TORT JUDGEMENT		\$68,864.97	\$68,864.97
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			\$68,864.97	\$68,864.97


 COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Motion by Martin/Gordon to approve bills for the Jail Medical and JDC Medical as presented.
 Motion carried.

Chairman Schafer presented bills to be paid for the Nursing Home with a prepaid total of \$218,776.62 and a fund total of the same for approval.

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EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY FUND

Health Committee - Nursing Home

FUND	FUND TITLE	PENDING TOTAL	PREPAID TOTAL	FUND TOTAL
0401	NURSING HOME		\$218,776.62	\$218,776.62
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			\$218,776.62	\$218,776.62


 COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Motion by Wollrab/Gordon to approve bills for the Nursing Home as presented.
 Motion carried.

Mr. Wasson presented information regarding the recent employment activities, which included several positions at the Nursing Home.

Chairman Schafer asked for a Motion to move into CLOSED SESSION pursuant to section 2 (c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)) to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity.

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public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity.

Motion Carried.

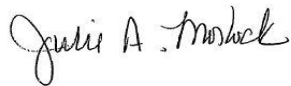
Health Committee entered into Closed Session at 5:32 p.m.

Health Committee entered into Open Session at 5:48 p.m.

Chairman Schafer asked if there was any other business to come before the Committee. Mr. Wendt asked if we were going to be able to reduce the budget enough so property tax rates would not increase. Mr. Wasson stated that recommended budget with projected EAV includes an approximate \$10,000 increase, and while there is a chance, we will come in with a lower tax rate, if the Board desires, they can propose that \$10,000 be moved from unencumbered fund balance to address that tax rate. Mr. Wasson stated that the motion would have to done at the Executive Committee meeting or County Board.

Chairman Schafer asked if there was any additional business to come before the Committee; hearing nothing, she adjourned the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Julie A. Morlock
Recording Secretary