

Minutes of the Health Committee

The Health Committee of the McLean County Board met on Monday, November 20, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. in Room 404 of the Government Center Building 115 E. Washington Street, Bloomington, IL.

Members Present: Chairman Susan Schafer, Members: George Gordon, Randall Martin, Catherine Metsker George Wendt, Sharon Chung and Lea Cline (all via remote attendance)

Members Absent: None

Other Members Present:

Staff Present: Ms. Camille Rodriguez, County Administrator (in person); Ms. Cassy Taylor, Assistant County Administrator; Ms. Cathy Dreyer, Assistant County Administrator; Ms. Samantha Vazquez, Assistant State's Attorney, Ms. Julie Morlock, Recording Secretary; Mr. Chris Spanos, First Assistant State's Attorney – Civil Division (via remote attendance)

Department Heads/

Elected Officials Present: Ms. Jessica McKnight, Health Department Administrator (in person); Ms. Terri Edens, Nursing Home Administrator Mike Donovan, Court Services for Juvenile Detention Center (remote attendance);

Others Present:

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

Chairman Schafer presented the minutes from the November 2, 2020 regular meeting for approval.

Motion by Chung/Martin to approve the minutes from the November 2, 2020 regular meeting.

Motion carried. Roll Call Vote – Ms. Cline Abstained. All other members present voted yes including the Chairman

Chairman Schafer confirmed there were no members of the public to appear.

Ms. Suzanne Scott, Adult Detention Facility presented her monthly reports. Chairman Schafer asked if there were any questions, hearing none, she thanked her.

Mr. Jason Tabb, Juvenile Detention Facility presented the Juvenile Detention Medical report. Chairman Schafer asked if there were any questions, hearing none, she thanked him.

Ms. Terri Edens, McLean County Nursing Administrator Home presented for action a request to approve the Nursing Home 2021 Private Pay Rate. Ms. Edens indicated it included a 3% increase to help with costs. She also stated that the rates would still below several others in the area. Ms. Cline asked if she had asked current residents and their families how this might

affect them. Ms. Edens indicated she had not asked residents or families yet, but indicated they are usually understanding about increase as they know we are still below others in the area. Ms. Cline asked if figure was included in the 2021 budget. Ms. Edens confirmed it was. Ms. Schafer indicated this was a usual increase. Mr. Gordon stated he too was concerned about impact and asked if this would bring us in line with other nursing homes in the area. Ms. Edens indicated it would be closer to others in the area, but we still would be below several facilities in the area. Mr. Gordon asked if we could phase this in and do 1.5% now and 1.5% later as they could determine costs as the year progresses. Ms. Edens indicated that residents usually a little upset with increase once, but she has found that they are more upset if you increase rate twice in one year no matter how much the increase. Mr. Gordon stated he understood her point about increasing twice.

Motion by Metsker/Cline to recommend approval of the Nursing Home 2021 Private Pay Rate.

Motion Carried. Roll Call Vote – all members present voted yes including the Chairman.

Ms. Edens presented her monthly Nursing Home report. Ms. Edens indicated five residents and two employees tested positive, she indicated only one resident showed symptoms, but the positive residents were moved to the wing previously set up for COVID patients. She stated they continue to test regularly. Ms. Schafer asked her to confirm one resident had symptoms. Ms. Edens indicated one resident had a fever, which could have been a symptom of other medical conditions that person had or COVID. She indicated residents would be moved back to their rooms in the next week. Ms. Chung asked if she has had any issues covering shifts with the two employees who have tested positive being out. Ms. Edens indicated they have had a few issues, but the rest of the staff has stepped up to cover needed areas. Ms. Chung asked her about being open for visitors. Ms. Edens indicated only essential workers are allowed in the facility and resident visitors meet at their windows. Chairman Schafer asked if there were additional questions or comments, hearing nothing she thanked her.

Ms. Jessica McKnight Health Department Administrator presented the Health Department's monthly reports to the Committee. She provided an update on hiring contact tracers. Ms. Cline asked her to explain the COVID related complaint numbers provided in the report. Ms. McKnight stated the number provided was from the environmental area and included all complaints about business including COVID. Ms. Chung asked if number was complaints about different businesses or if it included several complaints about the same business. Ms. McKnight indicated it could be several complaints about the same business. Mr. Gordon asked what follow-up on complaints entailed. Ms. McKnight indicated the first step is to let the business know the Health Department has received complaint and give them information about guidance they are to follow. She stated if there are additional complaints, they ask the business to work on a plan for how the business will come into compliance with State guidance. Mr. Gordon asked if businesses have been cooperative. Ms. McKnight stated they have. Mr. Gordon asked if plan for COVID communication had been formally adopted. Ms. McKnight indicated they had been implementing for a while. She reminded the Committee the plan is a living document that changes with the pandemic; she provided the example of vaccine distribution plan. Mr. Gordon stated there were some out of date statements and provided

those statements. Mr. Gordon said he was glad to see all the ways being utilized to get information out to the public. Mr. Gordon asked about accuracy of numbers in the COVID reports provided. Ms. McKnight indicated reports provided are samples of daily reports. Ms. Schafer reminded the Committee that Ms. Rodriguez is sending out weekly reports with updated numbers. Ms. Metsker stated that the Mayor of Bloomington stated there were issues between the Public Health Department and the State’s Attorney’s Office and enforcement and asked if Ms. McKnight was having any problems. Ms. McKnight indicated there were no problems and that she felt supported during the pandemic by the State’s Attorney Office. Ms. Chung thanked her for putting information about ICU beds and vents in her report and noting our hospitals treat individuals not from our area as she felt that helped the public better understand our community numbers. Chairman Schafer asked if there were any further questions, hearing none, she thanked her.

Ms. Camille Rodriguez, County Administrator presented her recent employment activities report. Chairman Schafer asked if there were any questions, hearing none she thanked her.

Chairman Schafer confirmed there was no other business. Ms. Schafer thanked Mr. Gordon for all of his service on the Health Committee as it would be his last meeting.

Chairman Schafer presented for approval the bills for the Board of Health with a prepaid total of \$407,007.80.

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EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY FUND

Health Committee - Board of Health

FUND	FUND TITLE	PENDING TOTAL	PREPAID TOTAL	FUND TOTAL
0102	DENTAL SEALANT GRANT		\$25,414.06	\$25,414.06
0103	HEALTH DEPT. - WIC		\$15,931.49	\$15,931.49
0105	PREVENTIVE HEALTH PROGRAM		\$210.81	\$210.81
0106	FAMILY CASE MANAGEMENT		\$30,696.50	\$30,696.50
0107	AIDS/COMM.DISEASE CONTROL		\$139,619.43	\$139,619.43
0112	HEALTH DEPARTMENT		\$195,135.51	\$195,135.51
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			\$407,007.80	\$407,007.80


COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Motion by Martin/Metsker to approve the prepaid bills for the Board of Health as presented.

Motion Carried. Roll Call Vote – all members present voted yes including the chairman.

Chairman Schafer presented the bills for the Developmental Disability Board for approval with a prepaid total of \$2,577.62.

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EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY FUND

Health Committee - Dev. Disability Board

FUND	FUND TITLE	PENDING TOTAL	PREPAID TOTAL	FUND TOTAL
0110	PERSONS/DEV.DISABILITY		\$2,577.62	\$2,577.62
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			\$2,577.62	\$2,577.62


COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Motion by Gordon/Chung to approve prepaid bills for the Developmental Disability Board as presented.

Motion carried. Roll Call Vote. All present voted yes including the Chairman.

Chairman Schafer then presented for approval the Nursing Home bills with a prepaid total \$226,989.44.

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Health Committee - Nursing Home

FUND	FUND TITLE	PENDING TOTAL	PREPAID TOTAL	FUND TOTAL
0401	NURSING HOME		\$226,989.44	\$226,989.44
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			\$226,989.44	\$226,989.44


COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Motion by Gordon/Cline to approve prepaid bills for the Nursing Home as presented.

Motion carried. Roll Call Vote - all present voted yes including the Chairman.

Chairman Schafer presented for approval bills for Jail Medical and JDC Medical with a prepaid total of \$55,492.04.

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Health Committee - Jail Med & JDC Med

FUND	FUND TITLE	PENDING TOTAL	PREPAID TOTAL	FUND TOTAL
0135	TORT JUDGEMENT		\$55,492.04	\$55,492.04
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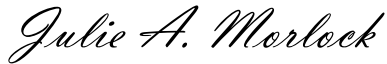

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Motion by Chung/Martin to approve prepaid bills for Jail Medical and JDC Medical as presented.

Motion carried. Roll Call Vote - all present voted yes including the Chairman

Chairman Schafer asked if there was any additional business to come before the Committee; hearing nothing, she adjourned the meeting at 5:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Julie A. Morlock
Recording Secretary