



Minutes
Human Services and Health Board Meeting
Wednesday September 4, 2024-5:00 PM
Or Upon the Adjournment of the Joint Meeting
Human Services and Health Board and Building Committee
Whichever Occurs Later
Clearview Building Gathering Room
198 Cty Rd. DF, Juneau, WI 53039

1. Call to Order by Jenifer Hedrick at 5:14 p.m.
2. Roll Call and Non-Committee Member County Board Attendance

Board Present: Mary Rosecky, Jennifer Keyes, David Godshall, Larry Bischoff, Todd Ringle, Jenifer Hedrick, Steve Kauffeld

Absent/Excused: Donna Maly, Lisa Derr

Staff Present: Human Services and Health Director Becky Bell, Executive Director/Administrator of Clearview Ed Somers, Division Manager Sheila Drays, Division Manager Alyssa Schultz, Division Manager Angela Petruske, Accounting Technician Felicia Bruyette, Public Health Officer Roman Mullen

Others Present: County Board Chairman David Frohling, Jody Steger

3. Approval of the minutes of the August 7, 2024 Human Services and Health Board Meeting
Motion by Jennifer Keyes to approve the August 7, 2024 minutes for the Human Services and Health Board Meeting. Seconded by David Godshall. Motion carried.
4. Public Comment (30-minute limit, 2 minutes per person), limited to items on the agenda
N/A

5. BOARD ACTION

A. Agency Requests, 2025 Human Services and Health Budget

Discussion was held by Board members regarding agency requests. Motion by Jennifer Keyes to continue funding at the same rate as 2024 for all requests. Seconded by Larry Bischoff. Motion defeated with 3 ayes and 4 noes.

Ayes: Supervisor Kauffeld, Supervisor Bischoff, Supervisor Ringle

Noes: Supervisor Hedrick, David Godshall, Mary Rosecky, Jennifer Keyes

Motion by David Godshall to increase amounts as requested by agencies. Motion carried with 5 ayes. Two members requested to abstain from voting.

Ayes: David Godshall, Mary Rosecky, Jennifer Keyes, Supervisor Hedrick, Supervisor Bischoff

Noes: N/A

Abstain: Supervisor Kauffeld, Supervisor Ringle

Motion carried to approve the agency requests for the 2025 year as followed: Central Wisconsin Community Action Council at \$12,500; Church Health Services at \$20,000; PAVE at \$35,000; and Jefferson Rock River Clinic at \$7,000.

6. DIRECTOR'S REPORT-Ms. Bell

A. 2025 Budget Discussion

Ms. Bell explained to the Board that the Human Services and Health Department has created two different versions of the budget. The first version fully funds everything at the same rates as 2024, estimating that Department will be over budget by roughly \$930,000. The second version continues to fund certain positions that are not filled but with only a month's worth of salaries. This version estimates the Department to be over budget by roughly \$400,000. Ms. Bell and Ms. Petruske will be meeting with County Administrator Clapper to discuss which budget proposal would be in the best interest of the Department. Ms. Bell added that both budgets include fully funding a Registered Nurse position for Public Health. If there is a need to fill positions that are only funded for a month, then discussions would take place at that time to determine the best way to fund them. Additionally, four placements are fully funded by Behavioral Health at Clearview. The budgets also include a 19.99% increase for insurance, 6% increase for dental insurance, 3.3% cost of living increase for employees, and a 2% step increase for employees (which have been approved by the HR Committee).

B. Dodge County Crisis Intervention Program

i. Crisis Intervention Co-responder Efforts with Law Enforcement

Ms. Bell informed the Board that the Human Services and Health Department is attempting to make changes to the Crisis Intervention Program. Staff has been able to go out for a ride along with the Sheriff's Office. Current feedback has so far shown that the law enforcement community has found it helpful. On October 1, 2024, or shortly thereafter, the Department will be contracting with Northwest Connections to employ a second shift co-response pilot initiative. The employee will be able to co-respond with Dodge County law enforcement for crisis situations. This position will be located at the Sheriff's Office from 1:00 P.M. to 9:30 P.M.

ii. SCIP County and Tribe Led Response and Harm Reduction Funding Discussion

Ms. Bell informed the Board that the Department applied for funding in the amount of \$24,900 to offset the cost of the contracted position with Northwest Connections. If approved, the funding would be for a one-year period. The State of Wisconsin has a set amount of money for counties to apply for. If there is leftover funding, there is the possibility that the State would decide to give more funding to counties who initially applied. The Department is hoping to pilot the program for one year in order to gain statistics. The position will have the ability to bill out services through the Crisis Intervention Program. Ms. Bell explained to the Board that this position did not have additional revenue budgeted for in the 2025 budget because the Department is unsure what revenue will look like at this time.

7. ADMINISTRATORS REPORT-Mr. Somers

A. Clearview Campus Monthly Report

Mr. Somers reviewed the monthly report with the Board.

B. 2025 Budget Update, Review Budget Narrative

Mr. Somers informed the Board that a budget proposal was submitted to the County Administrator which included the increases in insurance, wages, and rates. Clearview is not requesting any tax levy funding. A more detailed review of the budget will be provided after further discussions with County Administrator Clapper.

Mr. Somers added that Clearview funding come from billing out for services. The Clearview budget is based around a full census in the facility but adjustments for staffing are taken into account as well. It is predicted that the current census will be on a hold while Clearview is going through the remodeling process, which is expected to take between 8 to 12 months. Clearview also has around 15 contracted employees on staff. Many of the contracted employees have been with Clearview at least a year and a half already.

8. COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES REPORT – Ms. Drays

A. Quarterly Report Discussion

Ms. Drays informed the Board that Adult Protective Services caseloads are up but that was a trend that was expected and planned for. Economic support caseloads continue to decrease with the Covid Unwinding plan in place.

9. CLINICAL & FAMILY SERVICES REPORT – Ms. Schultz

A. Quarterly Report Discussion

Ms. Schultz explained that statistics appear to be stable currently for most clinical and family services. There is an increase in the caseload for Children’s Long Term Support (CLTS). This is due to ensuring that children are not placed on a waitlist for those services. Ms. Schultz also informed the Board that institutional costs are down for 2024.

10. PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATES-Mr. Mullen

A. Pertussis

Mr. Mullen explained to the Board that there is an increase in the need to provide awareness to the community regarding pertussis, otherwise known as whooping cough. In 2023, there were only 51 confirmed cases of pertussis in the State of Wisconsin. As of August 8, 2024, there have been 278 confirmed cases in the State. There are outbreaks occurring in multiple counties. Currently, Dodge County has 8 confirmed cases, 6 probable cases, and 4 suspected cases. With the start of school, it is possible to see the caseload increase. Pertussis is a vaccine preventable disease. The vaccine comes in a series of 3 recommended doses as well as an additional booster. Statistics show that only 22% of two year olds in Dodge County have all four of those doses. Pertussis is most serious for infants and can lead to apnea or even death. 1 in every 100 children infected under the age of 2 will pass away. Public Health experts are very concerned and searching for ways to reduce the burden of the disease. Mr. Mullen added that pertussis symptoms can last for several weeks or months. The infectious period can last as long as 21 days. It is very contagious. Vaccinated individuals are either A-symptomatic or show less symptom severity. Public Health is reaching out to families to encourage vaccinations for all preventable diseases.

11. FISCAL & SUPPORT SERVICES REPORT – Ms. Petruske

A. Review 2024 Expenditures & Revenues

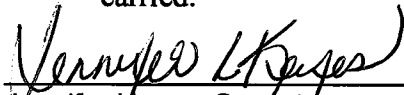
Ms. Petruske informed the Board that the Department is at a surplus of \$988,000 as of the end of July. Notice has been given that mental health institution rates have increased by 10% for 2025.

B. Budget Adjustment Form:

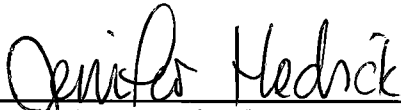
N/A

12. Next Meeting – Wednesday, October 2, 2024 at 5:00 P.M.

13. **Adjourned** at 6:26 P.M., Motion to adjourn by Mary Rosecky. Seconded by Larry Bischoff. Motion carried.



Jennifer Keyes, **Secretary**



Jenifer Hedrick, **Chair**



Felicia Bruyette, **Recording Secretary**