

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES BOARD MEETING
Douglas County Board of Supervisors
Thursday, September 9, 2021, 4:30 p.m., Government Center, Boardroom 201,
1316 North 14th Street, Superior, Wisconsin

Meeting called to order by Chair Alan Jaques.

ROLL CALL: Present – Alan Jaques, Pat Ryan, Michael Raunio, Jim Bolin (arrived 4:31 p.m), Kelly Peterson, June Farkas, Amida Gallito (arrived 4:46 p.m.). Others Present – Anna Carlson, Dave Longsdorf, Joan Finckler, Doreen Wehmas, Cindy Ellefson, Erika Johnson, Mark Liebaert, Ann Doucette, Kathy Ronchi, Erick Hudson, Shonn Devroy, Mary Jones, Jensen Bloedorn, Laura Gapske, Kaci Lundgren, Committee Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Ryan, second Raunio, to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2021, meeting. Motion carried.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW STAFF: Mary Jones, Administrative Services Supervisor, Jensen Bloedorn, Social Worker, and Shonn Devroy, Assistant Veterans Service Officer, introduced.

PUBLIC HEARING: To Solicit Input on the Department of Health and Human Services' 2022 Service and Budget Planning: Jaques welcomed committee members and guests; advised three minutes would be given per speaker for input. Waited until 5:10 p.m.; no one in attendance provided input.

UPDATES AND REPORTS: Included with agenda; reviewed.

ACTION ITEMS - 2022 Proposed Budgets:

Veterans Services: Increase due to personnel costs.

ACTION (REFERRAL): Motion by Ryan, second Peterson, to approve 2022 proposed Veterans Services budget and refer to County Administrator and Administration Committee. Motion carried.

Human Services: No levy increase from 2021; proposed levy of \$4,275,144.

ACTION (REFERRAL): Motion by Ryan, second Raunio, to approve 2022 proposed Human Services budget and refer to County Administrator and Administration Committee. Motion carried.

Health Department: No levy increase from 2021; proposed levy of \$532,530.

ACTION (REFERRAL): Motion by Ryan, second Gallito, to approve 2022 proposed Health Department budget and refer to County Administrator and Administration Committee. Motion carried.

Vehicle Purchase Request: One vehicle used to share between all units of department. Bids under \$45,000 requested from area businesses. Van necessary for large family child placements. Between gas mileage reimbursements and rental cars, an additional vehicle for department will save money.

ACTION (REFERRAL): Motion by Ryan, second Gallito, to approve purchase of vehicle under \$45,000 from excess 2021 funds or American Rescue Plan Act funds and refer to Administration Committee. Motion carried.

INFORMATIONAL ITEM – Training Request Response: Outside individual requested Health and Human Services attendee at sex trafficking training that required large time commitment (2-3 hours a week for 6 weeks). Health and Human Services Director denied request due to previous commitments, including numerous trainings involving sex trafficking. Youth and Family Services Supervisor has over 24 years' experience in position and sits on Sex Trafficking Taskforce.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: Sex trafficking resolution; a day in the life of department staff.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Ryan, second Bolin, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

Submitted by,

Kaci Jo Lundgren
Committee Clerk