



Minutes approved 08-09-12

Health Services Committee Meeting

Tazewell County Health Department
Thursday, July 12, 2012 – 5:30 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Chairman Terry Hillegonds, Sue Sundell, Monica Connett, Brett Grimm, Mike Harris

Committee Members Absent: Paul Hahn, Greg Sinn

Others attending: County Administrator Michael Freiling

MOTION **MOTION BY CONNETT, SECOND BY GRIMM** to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2012 meeting.

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION
HS-12-10 **MOTION BY HARRIS, SECOND BY SUNDELL** to recommend to County Board to approve the annual recycling grant payment to the City of Pekin for curbside recycling.

Supervisor of EH Services/Solid Waste & Code Enforcement, Ray Corey, stated when initiated, the grant included the initial start up and ongoing cost. The Health Services Committee decided to cover 50% of the original grant each year. The source is the tipping fees from the landfill. There is no increase this year. Corey stated this started in the rural communities in approximately 1994.

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION
HS-12-11 **MOTION BY HARRIS, SECOND BY SUNDELL** to recommend to County Board to approve the annual recycling grant payment to the City of East Peoria for curbside recycling.

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION
HS-12-12 **MOTION BY HARRIS, SECOND BY SUNDELL** to recommend to County Board to approve the annual recycling grant payments to the City of Morton for curbside recycling.

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION
HS-12-13

MOTION BY HARRIS, SECOND BY SUNDELL to recommend to County Board to approve the annual recycling grant payments to the Village of Creve Coeur for curbside recycling.

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION
HS-12-14

MOTION BY HARRIS, SECOND BY SUNDELL to recommend to County Board to approve the annual recycling grant payments to the City of Washington for curbside recycling.

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION
HS-12-15

MOTION BY SUNDELL, SECOND BY CONNETT to recommend to County Board to approve the execution and implementation of the Illinois Municipal Waste Planning and Enforcement Grant.

Corey stated this is the Solid Waste Enforcement Grant that the EPA provides each year. He stated it is \$65,000.00 and pays for inspections as well as illegal dumping and burning.

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

ANIMAL CONTROL

Animal Control Director, Bob Marshall, provided the Committee with his monthly report.

MOTION

MOTION BY GRIMM, SECOND BY CONNETT to recommend to County Board to approve the Animal Control bills as presented.

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Director of Environmental Services, Evelyn Neavear reported that the Tazewell County Health Department Administrator, Amy Tippey, was not present as she was at a poster presentation in Los Angeles.

Sundell asked if this national recognition was on the County Board agenda. This will take place at the August 2012 Board meeting.

Neavear reported that there are positive mosquito pools in East Peoria as well as in Mackinaw. She reported that the area is down in mosquitoes but average for the positive pools. She stated there have been no positive birds yet but they have sent in 9 so far.

SOLID WASTE

Corey reported that Chairman Hillegonds had sent a letter to our State's Attorney requesting an attorney for Solid Waste Planning and Enforcement. There has been no response yet. The offer from PDC for assistance with capping the Pekin Landfill requires some things to be in place before plans are attempted. The first action needed is to have an attorney to work with the Attorney General to modify the court order for access that was established in 2003 and 2006.

Corey stated the Attorney General and the EPA have to acknowledge in the court offer that the County is not considered the operator even though we are exerting control. If considered the operator, there are many obligations including liability.

Corey introduced Melissa Goetz to the Committee. She stated she had met with the EPA Regional Office for quarterly landfill inspections. She stated that they took water samples from eight wells. She stated some wells are abandoned. She was provided with a tour of the Pekin Landfill and shown where they dumped sludge from the Illinois River. She saw the sides where more dirt is needed. She said there are areas in which the refuse is poking through even though there are grass and trees growing on it.

Corey stated that Melissa will soon be an EPA certified landfill inspector.

Steve Harenburg invited the Committee to visit the Indian Creek Landfill. They will soon be doing cell liner installation and he said there will be a lot of activity for the Committee to view. He stated that all of Tazewell County and the wind turbines in Bloomington can be seen from the top of the hill. The elevation is approximately ten feet below what the maximum is. He stated the best time to arrange a visit would be the end of August. He will discuss with Corey.

MOTION

MOTION BY HARRIS, SECOND BY SUNDELL to recommend to County Board to approve the solid waste bills as presented.

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

Chairman Hillegonds stated he would follow up with our State's Attorney regarding the environmental lawyer referral.

Chairman Hillegonds recessed the meeting at 5:58 p.m.

(transcribed by S. Beeney)