



Minutes approved 02-12-15

Health Services Committee Meeting

Tazewell County Health Department

Thursday, January 15, 2015 – 5:30 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Chairman Imig, Sue Sundell, Nick Graff, Mary Jo Holford, Seth Mingus, Greg Sinn, Jerry Vanderheydt

Committee Members Absent: Mike Harris

Chairman Imig welcomed Mary Jo Holford to the Health Services Committee. Introductions were made.

MOTION **MOTION BY SUNDELL, SECOND BY GRAFF** to approve the minutes of the October 09, 2014 meeting.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION
HS-15-01 **MOTION BY GRAFF, SECOND BY MINGUS** to recommend to County Board to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Animal and Rabies Control Services with the Village of Armington.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION
HS-15-02 **MOTION BY GRAFF, SECOND BY MINGUS** to recommend to County Board to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Animal and Rabies Control Services with the Village of Creve Coeur.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION
HS-15-03 **MOTION BY GRAFF, SECOND BY MINGUS** to recommend to County Board to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Animal and Rabies Control Services with the Village of Deer Creek.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION
HS-15-04 **MOTION BY GRAFF, SECOND BY MINGUS** to recommend to County Board to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Animal and Rabies Control Services with the City of Delavan.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION

HS-15-05

MOTION BY GRAFF, SECOND BY MINGUS to recommend to County Board to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Animal and Rabies Control Services with the Village of Mackinaw.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION

HS-15-06

MOTION BY GRAFF, SECOND BY MINGUS to recommend to County Board to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Animal and Rabies Control Services with the City of Marquette Heights.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION

HS-15-07

MOTION BY GRAFF, SECOND BY MINGUS to recommend to County Board to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Animal and Rabies Control Services with the Village of North Pekin.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION

HS-15-08

MOTION BY GRAFF, SECOND BY MINGUS to recommend to County Board to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Animal and Rabies Control Services with the City of Pekin.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION

HS-15-09

MOTION BY GRAFF, SECOND BY MINGUS to recommend to County Board to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Animal and Rabies Control Services with the City of Washington.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION

HS-15-10

MOTION BY GRAFF, SECOND BY MINGUS to recommend to County Board to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Animal and Rabies Control Services with the Village of South Pekin.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION

HS-15-11

MOTION BY GRAFF, SECOND BY MINGUS to recommend to County Board to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Animal and Rabies Control Services with the City of East Peoria.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION
HS-15-12

MOTION BY GRAFF, SECOND BY MINGUS to recommend to County Board to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Animal and Rabies Control Services with the Village of Hopedale.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION
HS-15-13

MOTION BY SINN, SECOND BY SUNDELL to recommend to County Board to approve the Agreement with Dr. Arthur Herm to serve as the Administrator of Tazewell County Animal and Rabies Control.

Sanders advised the Committee that Dr. Herm is at the facility at least three times a week. This agreement has no change in amount. Graff inquired if the salary was raised last year. Chairman Imig stated that Dr. Herm was satisfied with the agreement. Graff asked if additional salary information could be provided and perhaps amend at full Board.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

ANIMAL
CONTROL

Director Sanders presented his reports for October, November and December 2014. An overall summary of the year was also included in the packet. He stated they have increased their adoptions from the facility by 51% just by use of social media. He met with the Director of TAPS and they will be pulling more animals locally now. Sanders stated he is looking into another Humane Society volunteer program. He is working with them to coordinate volunteers coming out to walk dogs, etc. He is working on a risk waiver for ASA Holly to review. Sinn asked about having the humane society's involved with Animal Control. Chairman Imig stated Sanders is the Director and needs to run the program his way. Sundell asked if there could be a foster program. Sanders stated he could look into foster licenses. Sinn inquired of adoptions from the Chow lines. Sanders stated that all animals are temperament tested.

Sanders included in the packet his proposal for rabies registration fee increase. He stated with the settlement of the Unit B contract several of his staff will receive large pay raises. Call out will be paid differently and cost more. These are two expenditures that will increase substantially and now is the time to look into increasing the registration fees to offset. The last increase to the fees was in 2003. The proposal is a reasonable increase. Sinn believes that is extreme at this time. Sanders stated there is a \$10 difference in state statute and what the County is charging. He just wanted information out to the Committee at this time to consider.

Chairman Imig stated it could be discussed again in the February meeting and perhaps on the agenda as an action item in March.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Director Fox provided the Committee with information on the Delavan Drug Task Force breakfast in February.

A 2014 Youth Survey Summary was provided. This provides a good snapshot of where we are with issues within the County and the information is used for a baseline.

Fox provided information on the Public Health Accreditation board. They are in the midst of preparing for accreditation. The goal is to have all of the documentation completed by the end of January. After documentation is complete there will be a site visit within 5 – 6 months. At that time, Fox will request participation of County Board members for opinions of the Health Department and what is done well.

Fox stated that everyone knows there is a change in leadership in Illinois. They are hearing daily of their leaders that are leaving. Funding is also in question at this time. Fox stated she is going to a meeting next week and may have more information. She is anticipating large cuts and entire programs cut. Funding cuts will have an impact on their personnel numbers.

Environmental Health: Director Neavear reported they are finalizing the 2015 permits. She will be proposing three ordinance changes once everything is finalized and approved by the Board of Health. They are regarding septic systems, geo-thermal and recreational water.

SOLID WASTE PLANNING

Supervisor Goetze stated she will present the rural grants in February. She stated there is an annual audit with Indian Creek Landfill. There is a potential to modify the host agreement in order to change the perpetual care fund. The current host agreement is good until 12-31-31 but now the closure is expected to be in 2046. Most of the sections state “until closure”.

She reported on the potential for CRT recycling and electronic waste. She stated that since Kuusakoski has opened they are accepting all electronics at no charge.

Goetze stated the five year waste plan update is due in 2016. It was last completed in 2011. Neavear reported that as of 1988, as part of the Recycling Act, all counties have to have a 20 year plan with an every five year update. There is a need for multiple changes because of technology changes. They are requesting direction from the Committee if the Health Department staff should complete again or hire it out. The initial plan and first update were hired out.

Fox stated that there are areas of the plan they could use help, such as the technical forcecast. She recommends updating the plan with a combination of outside consultation as well as internal input.

Chairman Imig asked that they come back to the Committee with more information on what is needed and a cost estimate.

Neavear reported that the Pekin Landfill has March as a potential re-start date. Their work is all weather dependent.

Chairman Imig recessed the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

(transcribed by S. Beeney)