



Minutes approved 09-10-15

Health Services Committee Meeting

Tazewell County Health Department
Thursday, August 13, 2015 – 5:30 p.m.

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

Committee Members Absent: Mike Harris, Seth Mingus

Others Attending: Wendy K. Ferrill, County Administrator

MOTION **MOTION BY SUNDELL, SECOND BY VANDERHEYDT** to approve the minutes of the July 09, 2015 meeting.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

ANIMAL CONTROL

Director Sanders provided the Committee with his report for July 2015. Sinn inquired how the 7 unvaccinated biters were handled. Sanders stated he has not yet implemented any changes. Sinn stated the number of rescues was amazing. Sanders stated he is working with more rescue groups. TAPS comes to their facility weekly. Sundell inquired on the employee vaccinations. Sanders stated he has not yet implemented that either as there were questions. Ferrill stated that Fox brought up some points to work through and IWIRC will resolve all concerns.

Chairman Imig stated he had a message earlier today from a local veterinarian. Sanders had sent out a questionnaire on tags being handled by the vet offices. The overwhelming response was they are not in favor of doing this. Other committee or board members may also receive calls from veterinarians with their opinion.

Sanders reviewed the FY16 budget that would be presented at the Budget Committee meetings. Sanders stated most of the line items remained the same but a few pushed him outside of the parameters. One is immunizations for employees that has been discussed. He wants to add funds for medical care for wounded animals that were surrendered if treatable and adoptable rather than euthanize. Sanders is requesting \$5,000 and will monitor the results. Sinn stated the amount was a bit extreme. Sundell said she agreed with the amount and if not used pull back next year in the budget.

Sanders stated the uniform allowance line also increased as it is in the contract that all employees receive. Ferrill clarified that checks were to be

cut for the employees who purchase their own. This was addressed in the I.R.S. audit.

Sanders also has a new software cost in his budget. Sinn asked Ferrill if she had reviewed his budget. Ferrill stated she had and the software has been discussed for a while. They work with paper and a software program would allow more efficiency.

MOTION **MOTION BY HOLFORD, SECOND BY SUNDELL** to recommend to approve the Animal Control bills as presented.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

**HEALTH
DEPARTMENT**

Administrator Fox stated they had their site visit for the accreditation process. A report is expected by the end of August.

The immunization clinic has been very busy as it is back to school time. The after school sites are preparing. Sinn asked about Teen Reach. Fox stated it will be self-funded this year. The programs that were mainly affected by the state budget cuts were junior high level and some districts had parent clubs pick up funding.

Fox presented her FY16 budget preview. She reported on the 254 budget that most is the same except for personnel. She advised there is a new mix of inspectors and because some are new there is a salary adjustment. Contractual saw a jump due to the recycling grants and the 20 year solid waste plan estimate of \$60,000. Education and Training line is higher reflecting back on the newer inspectors that will require training. Fox reported that the contractual appears to be a 24% increase but the total increase is only about 5%. Sinn asked where funds were to be put for the landfill maintenance. Fox stated that tipping fees, which they receive \$1.27, is for recycling, education and community work. Then the money goes to county general and increases year after year for things like maintenance of the landfill. She is unsure what fund it should come from. Recommendations were provided to Ferrill of elements to put into a maintenance plan. They will work to provide Board members pricing or whatever is asked of them. There is no budget yet. Ferrill agreed with that interpretation. She stated she has reached out to Harris and Neuhauser for a subcommittee to address.

Fox stated the revenue side is a little down from previous years. She has provided a conservative estimate. They still have a healthy fund balance.

Solid Waste Supervisor Goetze reported on Environmental Health. The last bird was collected last week for WNV testing. Of the four submitted

for testing, one came back positive from Morton. There was only one positive mosquito pool from Mackinaw. There were three cases of Lyme disease. She reported there will be free arsenic screening of well water this week.

Goetze reported the intergovernmental agreements were sent out for curbside recycling grants. The Indian Creek Landfill liner should be complete soon and the tour has been scheduled for 09-05-15 with a rain date of 09-12-15. She reported they currently have three certified inspectors. There are 4 inspections to be done per month.

Pictures of the Pekin Landfill were provided showing the changes. She also provided pictures of equipment being used to test an underground irrigation system.

MOTION **MOTION BY SUNDELL, SECOND BY GRAFF** to recommend to approve the Solid Waste bills as presented.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

Chairman Imig recessed the meeting at 6:14 p.m.

(transcribed by S. Beeney)