



Minutes approved 04-14-16

Health Services Committee Meeting

Tazewell County Health Department

Thursday, February 11, 2016 – 5:30 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Vice Chairman Sundell, Nick Graff, Mike Harris, Mary Jo Holford, Greg Sinn, Jerry Vanderheydt

Committee Members Absent: Chairman Imig, Seth Mingus

MOTION **MOTION BY VANDERHEYDT, SECOND BY HOLFORD** to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2016 meeting.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION
HS-16-13

MOTION BY GRAFF, SECOND BY SINN to recommend to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Animal Control Services with the Village of South Pekin.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION
HS-16-14

MOTION BY HARRIS, SECOND BY GRAFF to recommend to approve the annual recycling collection programs.

Supervisor of Solid Waste, Melissa Goetze, advised this is the annual rural recycling grant. There has been an increase due to the increased number of pick-ups.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION
HS-16-15

MOTION BY HARRIS, SECOND BY VANDERHEYDT to recommend to approve a reduction in feline adoption fees.

Animal Control Director, Ryan Sanders, advised he wanted to find a way to increase cat adoptions from their facility.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

Vice Chairman Sundell opened the discussion on the proposed changes to the Geothermal Ordinance. Environmental Health Director, Evelyn Neavear, explained the proposal and advised the Committee had received

a color coded copy. This incorporates the State code for Closed Loop Well Code into the Geothermal Ordinance. Geothermal is now old language. She advised the proposal had been approved by ASA Holly as well as the Board of Health. She was bringing the changes to this Committee and will then take to Executive. She did advise neither she nor Goetze could be at the February Executive meeting and it may be put off until March.

**ANIMAL
CONTROL**

Director Sanders advised his report for January 2016 was in the packet and would address any questions.

He reported to the Committee that Animal Control has had no involvement in the recent news regarding the Pekin woman who had been on the Hoarders show. He stated there were over 25 animal carcasses. There was no evidence left.

Sanders stated he has been contacted by some municipalities who are working on budgets regarding the cost for Animal Control services. In a review of costs they have not increased in over five years. There was a brief discussion about raising fees but the consensus of the Committee was not to increase as our costs do not justify.

MOTION **MOTION BY VANDERHEYDT, SECOND BY GRAFF** to recommend to approve the Animal Control bills as presented.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

**HEALTH
DEPARTMENT**

Director Fox advised that they have been granted \$30,000 from the State of Illinois for an emergency generator. She said there are requirements for this money in which there has to be a commitment by 03-01-16 and it has to be installed and paid for by 06-30-16. She also stated there is \$75,000 for this fiscal year in the budget for the Health Department. She stated she has talked with Mike Strauman, Facilities Director and Brett Grimm, Property Committee Chairman. She advised this will be on the February Property agenda to approve going out for bids to get it approved by April and installed by June. She said Grimm thought it might be possible to look at three smaller generators that could cycle up as needed. Fox stated they are relying on Strauman to get them through this process.

She advised that there was a court case around Medicaid payments. Because TCHD receives medical match they are included. They received a court order on Tuesday advising of immediate payment of payment back to 02-22-16 which is approximately \$181,000.

Fox reported on the Zika virus as there are three cases in Illinois. She stated conference calls are occurring regarding testing. The TCHD will have to be the gatekeeper for testing. She also stated that at this time their vector program will not include this in mosquito testing. Goetze stated this mosquito is a daytime biter.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

Director Neavear stated the 9th annual code enforcement conference has been scheduled for April 8th in East Peoria. She has sent out invitations. She advised that one possibility for discussion will be drone ordinances.

March 15th will be a septic conference in East Peoria. The week of March 6th is groundwater awareness week and the week of March 14th is Fix a Leak Week.

SOLID WASTE PLANNING

Supervisor Goetze provided an update on the Indian Creek Landfill capacity. In January 2015 it was given a 31 year lifespan. The closure has now been bumped up to 33 years.

Neavear said they sent the SWP update proposal to Patrick Engineering and expect to have that back before the March meeting.

Fox advised she had received a draft memo from Chairman Zimmerman regarding the landfill maintenance oversight. Fox stated it was acceptable to the Health Department and she expected it to be signed soon.

MOTION **MOTION BY HARRIS, SECOND BY HOLFORD** to recommend to approve the Solid Waste bills as presented.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

Vice Chairman Sundell recessed the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

(transcribed by S. Beeney)