

VILAS COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH BOARD MEETING

DATE: 5/4/2009

Vice Chair Al Bauman called to order the regular meeting of the Vilas County Public Health Board at 10:05 a.m. on May 4, 2009 in the Vilas County Justice Center meeting room Eagle River, WI.

Present: Al Bauman, Linda Thorpe, Becky DeMuth, Jim Behling, Steve Favorite, Mary Platner, Jim Galloway, Martha Milanowski, Gina Egan, and Wendy Budde.

Absent/Excused: Randy Samuelson, Dawn Gapko, Ed Bluthardt, Ron DeBruyne, Terrance Moe, Dan Paretsky, and Colleen Gorrilla.

County Board Chairman Steve Favorite sits in the meeting in place of board member Ed Bluthardt. Steve Favorite appoints Mary Platner to sit in until Jim Behling arrives at meeting.

2. Motion by Thorpe, second by Favorite to approve agenda to be discussed in any order by the Chair. Carried.

3. Motion by Thorpe second by Favorite to approve minutes of April 8 and April 15, 2009 meetings. Carried.

4. Motion by Favorite, second by Thorpe, to approve staff attendance as follows:
Carried.

4/30/09 – Lori Bergum to attend Childhood Sexual Assault Training in Crandon.

4/30/09 – Laurel and Anna to attend New WIC Way Training in Wausau.

5/8/09 – Heidi to attend Northwoods Coalition Board Meeting in Marshfield.

5/28/09 – Laurel to attend WIC Directors ROSIE Ad Hoc Training in Wausau.

5/29/09 – Kelley to attend Dental Seminar for Elderly in Green Bay.

6/4/09 – Gina, Pam and Heidi to attend Media Advocacy Training in Stevens Point.

6. **Families First:**

Egan reports things are on hold. Funding sources are being pursued.

11. **Ergonomic Study and Recommendations:**

Jim Galloway speaks. Ted Hayes from Liberty Mutual Insurance Company and Jim conducted an ergonomic assessment on several workstations in the health department. A copy of the recommendations was passed around to the committee. Discussion. Egan is pursuing quotes from the IT Department for roller-ball mice for the computers. Other steps are being taken to correct problems with work stations.

12. **Equipment Purchases:**

The Health Department submitted a request for the purchase of a new desk for Wendy Budde to the committee. She has been having physical therapy for neck and back problems she has been experiencing due to her workstation. Three quotes were obtained. Motion by Thorpe, second by Favorite to approve the purchase and forward on to the Property Committee. Carried.

5. Animal Shelter:

Discussion regarding the Vilas County Animal Shelter. The Town of Lac du Flambeau has been refused placement of dogs at the Shelter. Mary Platner speaks on behalf of Vilas Visions group. She says the Humane Society has a policy of no euthanization at the shelter. There is room for 15 animals. Egan sent letters to Town Clerks in Vilas County requesting any problems they may have encountered with the Animal Shelter. She reads the replies she has received. Vice Chair Al Bauman suggests this item be put on the June agenda and invite interested parties to that meeting.

*10:35 – Jim Behling arrives at meeting.

*10:36 – Mary Platner leaves meeting.

8. Motion by Thorpe, second by Behling to convene into closed session at 10:37 am pursuant to Wis. Stats. Sec. 19.85(1)(c) & (g), for the purpose of considering employment of a public employee over which the Public Health Board exercises responsibility, and for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel regarding potential human health hazard litigation. Carried unanimously. All say aye.

9. Adjourn to closed session. Motion by Behling, second by Favorite to return to open session at 11:27 a.m. pursuant to Wis. Stats. Sec. 19.85(1)(c) & (g). Carried unanimously. All say aye.

10. Motion by Thorpe, second by Behling to approve the Release of Liability, have it signed and recorded with the Register of Deeds at County expense. Carried.

Motion by Behling, second by Thorpe to immediately placard the house in violation and send a second letter to the home owner. Carried.

Motion by Behling, second by Favorite to release Pam from probationary status. Carried.

13. Director's Report:

- Egan received a request from Randy Samuelson to hold a Board of Health meeting in Lac du Flambeau. The committee could then tour the clinic.
- Egan updates committee on the latest information regarding Swine Flu.

17. Next Meeting Date:

A problem was noted by Bauman with the June 10th meeting date. Discussion. It was decided to change the meeting to June 5th at 10:00 am.

14. Review of Monthly Budget

Motion by Behling, second by Thorpe to approve the budget as presented. Carried.

16. Approve Vouchers:

Motion by Thorpe, second by Favorite to approve vouchers. Carried.

Motion by Favorite, second by DeMuth to adjourn. Carried. Adjourned 11:46 a.m.

Minutes reflect notations of the recorder, Wendy Budde, and are subject to approval by this Board.