

## **VILAS COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH BOARD MEETING**

DATE: 10/10/2008

Ron DeBruyne called to order the regular meeting of the Vilas County Public Health Board at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, October 10, 2008 in Conference Room 2 at the Vilas County Courthouse, Eagle River, WI.

**Present:** Ron DeBruyne, Linda Thorpe, Al Bauman, Jim Behling, Ed Bluthardt, Colleen Gorrilla, Becky DeMuth, Randy Samuelson, Terrance Moe, Gina Egan, and Wendy Budde.

**Absent/Excused:** Dan Paretsky DVM, Dawn Gapko.

Motion by Bluthardt, second by Bauman to approve agenda to be discussed in any order by the Chair. Carried.

Motion by Thorpe, second by Bluthardt to approve minutes of September 5, 2008 and September 18, 2008 meeting. Carried.

### **Approve Staff Attendance at Upcoming Meetings:**

Motion by Thorpe, second by Bauman to approve all staff attendance at meetings as requested. Carried.

\*Becky DeMuth enters meeting 9:34 a.m. Dr. Moe enters meeting at 9:45 a.m.

### **Humane Officer Appointment:**

Egan passes letter from Corp. Counsel around the table and Chairman DeBruyne reads letter from Sheriff regarding the appointment of Melissa J. McDonald to the position of Vilas County Humane Officer. Discussion. Motion by Bauman, second by Bluthardt to accept the appointment. Carried.

### **Hiring Procedures for Public Health Nurse:**

Egan requests the appointment of Pam Pedersen to the new full time position of Public Health Nurse; and the appointment of Lori Bergum to the full time position vacated by Pam Pedersen. Discussion.

Motion by Bauman, second by DeBruyne to offer Pam Pedersen the position of Public Health Nurse. Carried.

Motion by DeBruyne, second by Bauman to offer Lori Bergum the position vacated by Pam Pedersen. Carried.

### **Advertise for Grant Position:**

Discussion regarding a job resume' Egan received as a possible candidate for grant position. Motion by Thorpe, second by Bauman to advertise this part time grant position for 1 week and committee to interview applicants. Carried.

### **Dental Program:**

Egan informs committee that Lori Bergum and Anna Kessro are helping out the dental hygienist Kelley Moran with the dental program at the schools. We will also be getting

hygienists and assistants to help out at the larger schools. The dental program will be paying the assistants and hygienists the same stipend they were paid last year.

Egan tells committee that there is a grant offered through the State of Wisconsin Division of Health for \$45,000.00 to supplement the dental program. Motion by Bauman, second by Thorpe to ask for permission from County Board Chair Steve Favorite to approve the request to apply for this grant. Carried.

Randy Samuelson speaks about dental program at Pete Christensen Health Care and requests that he be able to make a presentation at the December meeting of the Public Health Board. His presentation is welcomed by the committee.

### **Volunteers:**

Egan informs committee that volunteers will be used at the flu clinics to help pass out and check paperwork and also to pass out surveys for the Tobacco Program. A flu shot schedule is passed out to all members.

### **Environmental Health:**

1. Egan inspected a property in Eagle River with Fred Indermuehle from City Zoning, City Administrator and Tony Justice. The home owner wasn't home so they were not able to inspect the interior.
2. The property in Manitowish Waters with the fuel oil spill in its basement will be inspected today for air quality. The levels were still high at the last inspection. Discussion. This issue will be discussed at next meeting with a request for Corp. Counsel to attend.
3. The condo in Arbor Vitae has been cleaned up.
4. A dog was taken to shelter for rabies observation.
5. Another dog was taken yesterday, however there was no room at the animal shelter so it was taken to the Northwoods Animal Hospital.

### **Discussion of 2009 Meeting Calendar:**

After discussion it was decided to request the second Tuesday of the month for Public Health Board meetings.

### **2009 Budget:**

Final draft of the 2009 Budget Request passed out. Discussion.

Motion by Bluthardt, second by Bauman to approve the budget as presented and forward it to the Finance Committee for consideration. Carried.

### **Directors Report**

1. Senior Guide Ad for the Public Health Dept. was passed around.
2. The Milwaukee Journal called Egan for her comment regarding Vilas County being Number 2 in the State for uninsured residents. Discussion.
3. Egan discussed the possibility of buying a vehicle from the Sheriff's Dept. for the dental program. Oneida County will purchase a trailer to transport the dental equipment. She was directed to take this request to the Property Committee.
4. Vilas County will become an HMO county for Badgercare and Badgercare Plus members. The HMOs will be Managed Health Services, Network Health Plan and Security Health Plan of Wisconsin, Inc.

5. Candidate Forum invitation passed out.
6. Egan talks about Family Planning Grant for 2010 as it will be coming up.

**Review Monthly Budget:** Discussion. Motion by Bluthardt, second by Thorpe to accept monthly budget as presented. Carried.

**Letters and Communications**

Sheila Clough at Howard Young may have a room at the clinic for WIC appointments.

**Approve Vouchers:** Motion by Bluthardt, second by Bauman to approve vouchers. Carried.

**Next Meeting:** November 7, 2008 at 9:30 a.m.in Conference Room 2 .

Motion by Bluthardt, second by Bauman to adjourn at 11:30 a.m. Carried.

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