

Waukesha County Board of Supervisors

Minutes of the Health and Human Services Committee Thursday, March 11, 2021

Chair Dondlinger called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Present: Supervisors Timothy Dondlinger, Kathleen Cummings, Jeremy Walz, Jim Batzko, Joel Gaughan, and Ted Wysocki. **Absent:** Steve Whittow.

Also Present: Legislative Policy Advisor Alex Ignatowski, Chief of Staff Sarah Spaeth, Clinical Services Coordinator John Kettler, Interim Deputy Director Lisa Roberts, Health & Human Services Director Liz Aldred, Administrative Services Manager Randy Setzer, Senior Financial Budget Analyst, and County Board Supervisor Darlene Johnson.

Approve Minutes of February 11, 2021

MOTION: Walz moved, second by Wysocki to approve the minutes of February 11. Motion carried 6-0.

Next Meeting Date

- April 15, 2021

Executive Committee Report of February 15, 2021

Dondlinger said the Executive Committee, at their last meeting, approved two ordinances, one resolution, and one appointment; held a closed session on an employee grievance matter; discussed the Internal Audit Manager position in the County Board office; and County Board meeting time survey results.

Future Agenda Items

- Update on the Injection Drug Use Prevention Grant
- Homelessness at Frame Park

Ordinance 175-O-095 Modify the Department of Health and Human Services 2021 Budget to Accept the Urban Rural Women's Substance Use Services Grant Funding and Appropriate Additional Expenditures and Create 2.0 FTE Sunset Positions to Be Funded Under This Grant

Davis and Kettler were present to discuss this ordinance which authorizes the Health and Human Services department to accept \$266,920 of Urban Rural Women's Substance Use Services grant funding from the Wisconsin Department of Health Services. This ordinance also modifies the 2021 Health and Human Services budget by increasing personnel costs by \$116,884, operating expenses by \$125,771, interdepartmental charges by \$24,265, and general government revenues by \$266,920.

Personnel costs include the creation of two new, full-time sunset positions: 1.0 full-time equivalent (FTE) Social Worker (Case Navigator) and 1.0 FTE Human Services Support Specialist (Peer Specialist). When grant funds are reduced or eliminated, these positions will be reduced or eliminated,

accordingly. The personnel cost estimate of \$116,884 reflects a partial year of employment (nine months). The full-year cost of these positions is estimated at \$88,600 for the Social Worker and \$67,200 for the Human Services Support Specialist. Operating expenses include \$106,449 for treatment costs, \$15,446 for travel and training expenses, and \$3,876 of other operating expenses. Interdepartmental charges consist of indirect cost recovery of \$24,265.

The grant is renewable for a total of five years and staff intends to request this grant funding in the 2022-2025 proposed budgets. Ongoing indirect cost recovery mentioned above offsets existing staff and other costs and will result in a favorable tax levy impact for the life of the grant.

Wysocki asked about program goals and benchmarks. Kettler shared the goals listed in the grant application.

MOTION: Walz moved, second by Cummings to approve Ordinance 175-O-095. Motion carried 6-0.

Update on COVID-19 Response and Vaccination Program

Aldred shared that the County's vaccination clinic has been up running for a month. Roberts discussed partnerships that the County has developed to vaccinate the various eligible groups. She reported that the I-C group will open on March 29. Aldred explained that a call center to register residents for vaccination is being developed. Cummings asked when the vaccines would receive full FDA approval.

Legislative Update

Ignatowski updated the committee on the state budget and federal COVID relief legislation.

MOTION: Walz moved, second by Cummings to adjourn at 2:29 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeremy Walz

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Secretary