

Waukesha County Board of Supervisors

**Minutes of the Health and Human Services Committee  
Thursday, October 7, 2021**

Chair Dondlinger called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

**Present:** Supervisors Timothy Dondlinger, Jeremy Walz (arrived at 8:31 a.m.), Jim Batzko, Joel Gaughan, and Ted Wysocki. **Absent:** Steve Whittow and Kathleen Cummings.

**Also Present:** Legislative Policy Advisor Alex Ignatowski, Chief of Staff Sarah Spaeth, HHS Director Liz Aldred, HHS Deputy Director Lisa Roberts, Accounting Services Coordinator Lisa Davis, ADRC Manager Mary Smith, Administrative Services Manager Randy Setzer, Clinical Services Manager Kirk Yauchler, Senior Financial Analyst Clara Daniels, Senior Financial Budget Analyst Alex Klosterman, Economic Support Coordinator Bob Klingforth, Human Services Manager Ron Pupp, and Public Health Manager Ben Jones.

**Approve Minutes of September 16, 2021**

MOTION: Gaughan moved, second by Wysocki to approve the minutes of September 16. Motion carried 5-0.

**Next Meeting Date**

- October 14, 2021

**Executive Committee Report of September 20, 2021 and October 4, 2021**

Dondlinger said at the September 20 meeting, they reviewed the 2022-2026 Capital Projects Plan including two proposed amendments and approved an ordinance. At the October 4 meeting, they reviewed 2022 operating budgets for UW-Extension, Bridges Library System, and Non-Departmental. They also considered sale values for County-owned foreclosure properties less than \$5,000 and approved the Five-Year Capital Projects Plan.

**Discuss and Consider the 2022 Department of Health and Human Services Operating Budget**

Aldred and Roberts discussed the proposed 2022 budget for the Health & Human Services Department as outlined in the budget book including functional area budget highlights. Total all funds, department-wide, revenues total \$61,524,847 – an increase of \$1,970,646 or 3.0% from the adopted 2021 budget. The County tax levy totals \$26,697,715 – an increase of \$116,309 or 0%. Expenditures total \$89,144,751 – an increase of \$2,419,977 or 3.0%. The number of full-time equivalent (FTE) positions decreased 14.59 for a total of 449.34. Staff reviewed each division as outlined. No major concerns were voiced.

Wysocki mentioned that, in his view, that Public Health rating is based solely on the level of funding. Aldred indicated that they do not intend to spend more money on Public Health long-term and that costs will be reduced with staff turn-over and retirements.

Chair Dondlinger commented he is concerned that moving to a level 3 Public Health Division may not provide the benefits necessary to make the larger expenditure worth it. Jones commented that he believes we are providing level 3 service while only getting credit for a level 2 status. Jones also mentioned that a level 3 designation will bring higher reimbursements.

Wysocki expressed concerns regarding the use of one-time funding from the American Rescue Plan Act to fund positions within the Public Health Division. Wysocki also mentioned that he would like to have the PowerPoint presentation prior to the meeting.

Dondlinger commented on the transparency of the funds donated to the Veterans' Services Office. Roberts suggested that the information be added to the annual Veterans' Services Report. The Committee agreed this would be a good addition to the report.

MOTION: Walz moved, second by Gaughan to approve the 2022 operating budget for the Department of Health & Human Services. Motion carried 5-0.

**Legislative Update**

Ignatowski updated the committee on executive appointments and redistricting.

MOTION: Walz moved, second by Wysocki to adjourn at 12:35 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

*Jeremy Walz*

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Secretary