

**Walworth County Board of Supervisors
Health and Human Services Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, March 18, 2020
Walworth County Government Center
County Board Room 114
100 West Walworth Street, Elkhorn, WI 53121**

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Chair Monroe.

Roll call was conducted. Members present included Chair Kenneth Monroe, Vice Chair Tim Brellenthin, Supervisors William Norem and Charlene Staples, Citizen Representatives Dr. Richard Terry and William Wucherer. Supervisor Kathy Ingersoll and Citizen Representatives Monica Los and Penny Scheuerman were absent. A quorum was declared.

Others in Attendance:

County Board Supervisors: Susan Pruessing (arrived at 2:43 p.m.)

County Staff: Health & Human Services Director Elizabeth Aldred; Public Health Officer Erica Bergstrom; and Corporation Counsel/Director of Land Use and Resource Management (LURM) Michael Cotter (arrived at 2:31 p.m.)

On motion by Supervisor Norem, second by Supervisor Staples, the agenda was approved with no withdrawals.

On motion by Supervisor Norem, second by Supervisor Staples, the minutes of the January 22, 2020 meeting were approved.

Public Comment – There was none.

Unfinished Business

- Memorandum of Understanding with Child Protective Services (CPS) and Law Enforcement Health and Human Services (HHS) Director Elizabeth Aldred gave a brief overview of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Child Protective Services (CPS) and law enforcement. All 18 jurisdictions signed the MOU as of March 11th. Aldred stated the next steps are to create an MOU with the Child Advocacy Center (CAC), which will include updating the County ordinance relative to the purpose of the (CAC) and in what manner the screened out reports are to be handled with the (CAC.) Discussion ensued.

New Business

- Administration Presentation

Aldred gave a brief presentation entitled Administrative Services Division (Enclosure 3) and requested approval of the following reports.

- i. 2019 Annual Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Incidents Report
- ii. 2019 Annual Consumer Complaint Report
- iii. 2019 Annual Satisfaction Survey
- iv. 4th Write Off and Year End Summary

Supervisor Norem offered a motion, second by Supervisor Staples, to approve the four reports. Motion carried 6-0.

- Resolution Urging the State Legislature and Governor to Amend the Wisconsin Statewide Standing Order for the Dispensing of Naloxone
 - Resolution to Amend Section Urging the State Legislature and Governor to Authorize County-Employed Human Services Professional to Administer Naloxone in Response to a Suspected Opioid Overdose
- Aldred gave a brief overview of the two resolutions and explained the differences between them. The first resolution would amend the Wisconsin Statewide Standing Order for dispensing Narcan to explicitly include Public Health Departments in the authorization to dispense and deliver Narcan. The second resolution would authorize county-employed human services professionals to administer Naloxone in response to a suspected opioid overdose. Aldred

stated Corporation Counsel has reviewed and approve both resolutions. Discussion then focused on the number of overdoses each year; who would be responsible for the costs incurred; available training; the risk of injury to a staff member by a combative individual; and whether or not staff would initiate this program should the County's insurance carrier(s) going forward not accept the dispensation of Narcan. **Supervisor Staples offered a motion, second by Supervisor Norem, to support both resolutions. Motion carried 6-0.**

- Request to use the County logo in partnership with the Tree House for Child Abuse Prevention Month Billboards and Banner

Citizen Representative Wucherer offered a motion, second by Supervisor Staples, to approve the use of the County Logo in partnership with the Tree House for Child Abuse Prevention Month billboards and banner. Motion carried 6-0.

- Request to apply for DHS grant funding for Community Partnerships for Diversion from Youth Justice
Aldred asked to remove the request to apply for Department of Health Services (DHS) grant funding from the agenda at this time. HHS will review future grant funding opportunities, when they become available.

Report(s)

- Update on COVID-19

Aldred gave a brief update on the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) and explained how the health department has been actively involved in monitoring and updating the community on the impact of the virus. Discussion then focused on the social distancing practices and safety issues within Huber and the jail; implementation of additional precautionary measures relative to staff; availability of COVID-19 testing; whether or not County employees will be able to work from home; the number of intensive care unit (ICU) beds and ventilators available within Walworth County; and the possibility of receiving patients from other counties as a result of overflow. Wisconsin is practicing social distancing to slow down the spread. Aldred stated HHS has created an up-to-date COVID-19 information page located on the County's main website page. Citizen Representative Dr. Terry commended Aldred on the information provided and dissemination of said information within the COVID-19 website.

Correspondence

- Letter from the Wisconsin Department of Children and Families Recognizing Efforts to Document Contacts for Children in Out-of-Home Care

Aldred gave a brief overview of the letter received from the Wisconsin Department of Children and Families and indicated HHS has exceeded the state's expectation of at least 95% with a performance of 99.35%. She said this is the second year HHS has received this recognition, which speaks to the dedication of the staff and their ability to protect the children within the community.

Announcements

- Governor Evers Signs Assembly Bill 633 into Law

Aldred stated Governor Evers signed Assembly Bill 633 into law in February 2020. Law enforcement will now be able to contract with another service to provide transportation for Emergency Detentions.

- Referral from the County Board: Outagamie County Resolution No. 79-2019-20 and Proposed Amendment to Resolution No. 79-2019-20 – Resolution in Support of Pending Legislation 2019 Senate Bill 427 Relating to Increased Penalties for Crimes Against Elder Persons; Restraining Orders for Elder Persons; Freezing Assets of a Defendant Charged with Financial Exploitation of an Elder Person; Sexual Assault of an Elder Person; Physical Abuse of an Elder Person; and Providing a Penalty

Aldred gave a brief overview of Outagamie County Resolution No. 79-2019-20. Discussion then focused on the context of the resolution and the fact that it may create more issues that were not intended. Cotter and Aldred agreed with accepting the resolution and placing it on file. **Citizen Representative Wucherer offered a motion, second by Supervisor Staples, to accept Outagamie County Resolution No. 79-2019-20 and place it on file. Motion carried 6-0.**

- Referral from the County Board: Outagamie County Resolution No. 130-2019-20 – Supporting Pending Legislation that Would Correct a Discrepancy Between Parallel Statutes that Compute the Detention Hearing Timelines for Children in Need of Protection (CHIPS) Proceedings Under State Statutes Chapter 48 and Juvenile Delinquency Cases Under Chapter 938

Aldred gave a brief overview of Outagamie County Resolution No. 130-2019-20 and proposed it be placed on file.

Citizen Representative Wucherer offered a motion, second by Supervisor Norem, to accept Outagamie County Resolution No. 130-2019-20 and place it on file. Motion carried 6-0.

Confirmation of Next Meeting – The next meeting was confirmed for Wednesday, April 29, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.

Adjournment

On motion by Vice Chair Brellenthin, second by Supervisor Staples, Chair Monroe adjourned the meeting at 3:05 p.m.

Submitted by Patricia Sommers, Administrative Assistant. Meeting minutes are not considered final until approved by the committee at the next regularly scheduled committee meeting.