

Walworth County Board of Supervisors
Health and Human Services Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 26, 2023
Walworth County Government Center, County Board Room 114
100 West Walworth Street, Elkhorn, Wisconsin

Chair Kenneth Monroe called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Roll call was conducted and the following members were present: Chair Kenneth Monroe; Vice-Chair Kathy Ingersoll; Supervisors Brian Holt, and Joseph H. Schaefer; Citizen Representatives Judy Atkinson, Dr. Christopher Tanner, and William Wucherer. Supervisor Ryan Simons and Citizen Representative Monica Los were absent. A quorum was declared.

Others in Attendance

County Staff: Walworth County Administrator Mark W. Luberda; Director-Health and Human Services (HHS)/Superintendent of County Institutions Carlo Nevicosi; Deputy Director-HHS Trista Piccola; Corporation Counsel/Director-Land Use and Resource Management Michael Cotter; Deputy Corporation Counsel Estee Scholtz, Public Health Officer Erica Bergstrom, Public Health Supervisor Holli Wilke.

On motion by Supervisor Schaefer, second by Vice-Chair Ingersoll, the agenda was approved with no withdrawals.

On motion by Supervisor Holt, second by Vice-Chair Ingersoll the March 22, 2023 Health and Human Services Board meeting minutes were approved.

Public Comment – There was none.

New Business

7a. Public Health Annual Report

Public Health Officer Erica Bergstrom and Public Health Supervisor Holli Wilke gave a brief summation of the 2022 Annual Report Walworth County Public Health found on Pages 5-27 of the packet. Discussion followed. **Citizen Representative Wucherer offered a motion, second by Vice-Chair Ingersoll, to accept the Public Health Annual Report in order that it fulfil Chapter 251. Motion carried 7-0.**

7b. Res. No. **05/23 Authorizing the Creation of a Casual Independent Living Support Specialist Position in the Health & Human Services Department

Director-Health and Human Services (HHS) Carlo Nevicosi referred to his Memorandum and explained the purpose for the proposed resolution (Pages 28-31). He requested authorization to move forward. He stated the Finance Committee and Human Resources Committee will need to establish the budget and the appropriate casual pay table. **Vice-Chair Ingersoll offered a motion, second by Supervisor Holt, to approve Res. No. **05/23 Authorizing the Creation of a Casual Independent Living Support Specialist Position in the Health & Human Services Department. Motion carried 7-0.**

Reports

8a. Leadership Development Program Update

Deputy Director-HHS Trista Piccola spotlighted information within Carlo Nevicosi's Memorandum on Page 32. She stated the theme for this year's Learning and Leading Program is referred to as the *Year of Strategic Partnership*. The program began in March with HHS participants pairing up with an external partner with whom they would like to complete the exercise of growing their leadership and partnership skills. A follow up report will be presented to the Board in either October or November.

8b. Human Services Day at the Capitol

Nevicosi provided an overview of his Memorandum and supporting documents on Pages 33-41 of the packet regarding Human Services Day at the Capitol. The event is coordinated by the Wisconsin Counties Association (WCA) and the Wisconsin Counties Human Services Association (WCHSA) and occurs every two years. The event serves as an opportunity for Human Services leaders and Board members to meet directly with legislators to discuss budget priorities. There were four issues selected by WCHSA that related to funding for state-mandated programs, specifically the growing disparity between state aid and the county levy funding necessary to operate these important and required services. The specific issues included: Mental Health – Community Support Program and Crisis Services; Adult Protective Services;

Birth to Three Funding; and Child Support Funding. Nevicosi noted Walworth County was successful in comparison to other counties when connecting with legislators.

8c. Health Hub Update

Piccola provided an update on past events utilizing the mobile health clinic.

Correspondence – There was none.

Announcements – There were none.

Upcoming Events – There was none.

Confirmation of next meeting date and time: *The next meeting was confirmed for Wednesday, May 17, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.*

Adjournment

On motion and second by Vice Chair Ingersoll and Supervisor Holt, Chair Monroe adjourned the meeting at 2:37 p.m.

Submitted by Kathleen Aukland, Administrative Assistant. Meeting minutes approved by the Health and Human Services Board at the May 17, 2023 meeting.