

July 22, 2020 Board of Health Meeting

County Courthouse, Room G-302

Virtual Meeting held via WebEx

The Board of Health convened in open session at 5:15 pm

The meeting was called to order by Merey Price

Board Members Present

Quorum is reached

Emily Berge

Jennifer Eddy

Terry Miskulin

Martha Nieman

Liz Spencer

Merey Price

Don Bodeau (6:42pm left after motion

for agenda item 4.j)

Board Members Absent:

Donald Bodeau

Staff Members Present:

Lieske Giese

Marisa Stanley

Janice Vinopal

Gina Holt (recorder)

Order of Agenda Request to pull items from Consent Agenda

- None Made

Public Comment:

- None Made

Consent Agenda

- Approval of minutes from June 24, 2020 meeting
- Approve Americorp/Healthcorp member fee for one-year position
- Approve UW Population Health Fellowship stipend
- Approve Stipends

Motion to approve Consent Agenda: Jennifer Eddy

2nd Motion: Emily Berge

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote) Emily Berge, Jennifer Eddy, Terry Miskulin, Martha Nieman, Liz Spencer, Merey Price, Don Bodeau

Business Item

- Receive quarterly financial update
 - There are other areas of revenue sources that were not part of the original budget that have been approved by the board and are not yet in the summary report for this quarter due to MUNIS. Some of the budgets such as the COVID budget is still being loaded into the financial system.

Motion to receive quarterly financial update as presented by Health Department Staff: Liz Spencer

2nd Motion: Don Bodeau

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote) Emily Berge, Jennifer Eddy, Terry Miskulin, Martha Nieman, Liz Spencer, Merey Price, Don Bodeau

- Receive COVID-19 Prevention and Control Order
 - Receiving the July 8th and July 23rd orders.
 - The first order written started on May 18th, 2020.
 - The order is drafted by the incident command team and the legal team.
 - There is no change from the July 8th and July 23rd order aside from date and data updates.

- We anticipate that the case numbers will continue to be steady. The goal is to not have any spikes in cases.
- The order progression is based on the Respond Together in Eau Claire Plan. We are at step D in the plan.

Motion to receive COVID-19 Prevention and Control Orders as presented by Health

Department Staff: Liz Spencer

2nd Motion: Don Bodeau

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote) Emily Berge, Jennifer Eddy, Terry Miskulin, Martha Nieman, Liz Spencer, Mery Price, Don Bodeau

c. Recommend Approval of the County's Comprehensive Plan

- The County's Comprehensive Plan provides a 20-year vision for the development of the County.
- Health Department staff were part of the planning process.
- We believe that this will be moving forward for approval by the County Board in the next month or two. Board members expressed support.
- Agriculture is a part of the Comprehensive Plan; it may not specifically address CAFO's.

Motion to Recommend Approval of the Counties Comprehensive Plan as presented by Health

Department Staff: Don Bodeau

2nd Motion: Martha Nieman

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote) Emily Berge, Jennifer Eddy, Terry Miskulin, Martha Nieman, Liz Spencer, Mery Price, Don Bodeau

d. Recommend support for Clean Water County Resolution

- The resolution was not passed last night at the County Board meeting due to weather causing the meeting to adjourn. This resolution will be voted on at the July 23rd County Board meeting.
- Board members expressed their support for the Clean Water County Resolution.
- There could be opportunities and ideas for Board members to decide if action sooner rather than latter would be appropriate.

Motion to recommend support for Clean Water County Resolution as presented by Health

Department Staff: Terry Miskulin

2nd Motion: Martha Nieman

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote) Emily Berge, Jennifer Eddy, Terry Miskulin, Martha Nieman, Liz Spencer, Mery Price, Don Bodeau

e. Receive quarterly financial update Approve 2019 Fund Balance Account allocations

- This is the fund balance allocation from 2019. This dollar amount would be coming into fund balance into the Capital Purchases account.
- In 2018 a considerable amount was removed from the Capital Purchases account for remodeling.
- The fund balance amount \$103,753 is partially planned for coming from things such as fees. New grants also account for some of the amount.
- The goal as a board was to get to three months of non-grant availability in the fund balance.

Motion to approve 2019 Fund Balance Account allocations as presented by Health Department Staff: Emily Berge

2nd Motion: Jennifer Eddy

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote) Emily Berge, Jennifer Eddy, Terry Miskulin, Martha Nieman, Liz Spencer, Mery Price, Don Bodeau

f. Approve Fee Deviation Policy Update

- This overall policy is typically brought to the board annually to review.
- Changes to the policy include adding the situations in which declared Public Health Emergency results in a prolonged and significant reduction in the payee's service and operations and the services intended to be provided by ECCCHD in association with an established fee. Provision by board related to challenges in Emergency.

Motion to approve Fee Deviation Policy update as presented by Health Department Staff:

Emily Berge

2nd Motion: Martha Nieman

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote) Emily Berge, Jennifer Eddy, Terry Miskulin, Martha Nieman, Liz Spencer, Merey Price, Don Bodeau

g. Review and approve draft 2021 Health Department Budget-

- This is a preliminary budget for 2021.
- There are a lot of moving parts with the Health Department budget. There are non calendar grants and several revenue sources that carry over. We also have considerable uncertainty with COVID19.
- Tax levy is a big question mark at this point.
- New or additional dollars came in after 2020 budget including Title X funding as well as increase in Nurse Family Partnership funding.
- The Health Department uses Group Health Cooperative through the City for employee health insurance.
- Equipment purchases are budgeted for primarily for computer replacements and purchases under \$5,000.

Motion to review and approve draft 2021 Health Department Budget as presented by Health Department Staff: Liz Spencer

2nd Motion: Terry Miskulin

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote) Emily Berge, Jennifer Eddy, Terry Miskulin, Martha Nieman, Liz Spencer, Merey Price

h. Approve 2021 expenditures for the 2020 – 2024 Health Department Capital Improvement Plan

- Large capital purchases will be brought back to the board for approval at the time of purchase.

Motion to approve 2021 portion of 2020 – 2024 Health Department Capital Improvement Plan as presented by Health Department Staff: Liz Spencer

2nd Motion: Martha Nieman

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote) Emily Berge, Jennifer Eddy, Terry Miskulin, Martha Nieman, Liz Spencer, Merey Price, Don Bodeau

i. Approve 2021 Pay Plan

- The proposed plan is currently built into the budget draft being brought forward.
- Board members express that health department employees have been having an increase in work and stress during COVID 19.

Motion to approve 2021 Pay Plan as presented by Health Department Staff: Liz Spencer

2nd Motion: Jennifer Eddy

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote) Emily Berge, Jennifer Eddy, Terry Miskulin, Martha Nieman, Liz Spencer, Merey Price, Don Bodeau

- j. Approve 2020-2021 License Fee Change due to Public Health Emergency
- Licensed businesses were significantly impacted by COVID-19.
 - This change would offer a credit to those licensed businesses that were impacted by COVID in programs for restaurants, retail food, school food, swimming pools/water attractions, lodging, body art, and campgrounds and recreational educational camps.
 - This would be a one-time fee change.

Motion to approve 2020-2021 License Fee Change due to Public Health Emergency as presented by Health Department Staff: Martha Nieman

2nd Motion: Emily Berge

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote) Emily Berge, Jennifer Eddy, Terry Miskulin, Martha Nieman, Liz Spencer, Mery Price,

Other policy and informational items from staff for the Board

- a. Director/Health Officer Report
- No discussion
- b. Correspondence/Media
- No discussion
- c. COVID-19 situational update and review of plan
- Board members are encouraged to go to the Health Department website for the most current COVID situation reports and data.
 - Disease investigation and contract tracing hiring continues to move forward.
 - With UWEC starting soon we are trying to prepare and anticipate what that may look like for COVID 19 cases.
 - The health department continues to work with partners throughout the community to plan and discuss such topics as masks and whether a mandate would be needed, as well as K-12 and higher education planning.
 - A survey went out from the Chamber asking questions regarding a mask mandate.
 - The health department counts on the CDC for best practice information. The state also provides guidance as far as best practices. There have been challenges at the federal level.
- d. Healthy Communities Quarterly Update
- Some groups are continuing to meet.
- e. Strategic Plan Update
- Data and health equity have been such a huge part of the response to our COVID-19 efforts.

Board member informational items

- a. Board of Health Advocacy/Policy –The County Board passed the Racism as a Public Health Concern Resolution. Eau Claire was requested to be part of a national platform to share the experience. Kim Cronk and either Lieske Giese or Courtney Draxler will be part of the discussion.

Requests from Board members for future agenda items to be given consideration

- a. None made

Next scheduled BOH meeting is August 26, 2020 at 5:15 p.m.

Mery Price adjourned the meeting at 7:09 p.m.