

Call to order:

This meeting of the County-Tribal Concerns Committee was called to order at 9:00A.M. in the Peter Christensen Health Care Center meeting room by Chairman Al Bauman, with the following committee members present: Maynard Bedish, Eric Chapman, Sr., Gene Ciszek, Elmer Rising Sun and Sig Hjemvick. Vice Chair Jack Harrison has resigned due to health reasons. Others present or addressing the committee during this meeting: Bob Kovar, Bob Rickard, Robert Smith Sr, Kristen Allen, Jim Galloway, Frank Tomlanovich, Joe Fath, Karen Schmidt, Pam Pedersen and Lynn Bybee.

Open meeting notices and quorum present were verified by the Chair.

Approve agenda to be discussed in any order by the Chair:

Motion by M. Bedish, 2nd by S. Hjemvick to approve the agenda with the order of discussion at the Chair's discretion. All voted aye. Carried.

Approve September 1, 2011 and September 22, 2011 meeting minutes:

Motion by S. Hjemvick, 2nd by M. Bedish to approve the minutes of the September 1, 2011 and September 22, 2011 meetings. All voted aye. Carried.

Chairman notified the committee of the resignation of the Vice Chairman Jack Harrison and requested the election of a new Vice Chairman be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

Health / Community Health update:

P. Pedersen reported on the flu shot clinics. The County was issued 1300 doses in the start of October for holding flu clinics and have 168 doses left at this time. This is a decline from previous years because the public can obtain flu shots from various clinics and pharmacies in the area. The Health Department held 3 clinics for EMTs that were not well attended. The First Responders in Lac du Flambeau received flu shots at the clinic.

Juvenile Intensive Supervision Program update:

a. Intake referrals:

B. Rickard handed out a written report and verbally reviewed the contents with the committee. The report indicates the current enrollment for the intensive supervisor program, referrals and trancies compared to 2010. Year to date totals for September 2011 increased from totals for September 2010. Trancies will increase now with school in full session. There are 8 electronic monitors (GPS units) being used at this time, the devices were purchased with grant money through the Social Services Department.

b. Update on vests:

B. Rickard reported that the flak vests have arrived and all employees are wearing them when out in the field. The policy has been approved by Corporation Counsel. A policy for the use of pepper spray will be looked at as well as training for employees.

M. Bedish commented that the outline used for the Juvenile Intake Report was acceptable and helpful for the committee.

Law Enforcement update:

a. Meeting updates:

Joe Fath presented the 2012 Law Enforcement Agreement and Joint Program Plan between the Lac Du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians and Vilas County. The agreement will go before both parties at their November meetings and be forwarded to Madison by December 1st, 2011. This agreement has been ongoing for many years with the funding half what it was 8 years ago. The amount of funding being requested is \$60,251, but the eligible amount will be approximately \$50, 107. E. Rising Sun questioned if there were any changes to the agreement. Only statistical information has been changed within the agreement.

Motion by S. Hjenvick, 2nd by Gene Cizek to submit the 2012 Law Enforcement Agreement and Joint Program Plan to the County Board at the November 8, 2011 meeting for approval. A. Bauman, M. Bedish, Gene Cizek, Sig Hjenvick and Elmer Rising Sun voting aye with Eric Chapman abstaining because he has not had time to read the agreement. Carried.

Eric Chapman asked if the conceal carry law will be allowed in county buildings and grounds. Sheriff Tomlanovich stated no, there will be signs put up and a resolution at the next County Board meeting to amend Chapter 9 Public Peace and Order. The weapons included in the conceal carry law will not be allowed in the Courthouse, Justice Center, Highway or Forestry buildings.

The Lac Du Flambeau Tribe will have to decide if a separate application and training will be needed for the Reservation.

Social Services update:

K. Schmidt gave an update on the out of home placement. Currently there are 23 foster children. She reported on the 161 agreement being reviewed by the County's Corporation Counsel.

K. Allen presented an update of Indian Child Welfare (ICW) statistics. 59 open cases are being overseen by three case managers. 13 cases involve off-reservation children. Her department is working with Vilas County on updating the current 161 agreement, which is the document between the County and the Tribe for the arrangement and payment of services. A Memorandum of Understanding may need to be used to provide for more details on meeting procedures and citation rights.

Law Enforcement update:

b. Drug enforcement:

B. Kovar gave an update on a meeting held in Eagle River with Judge Nielsen, the County Sheriff, District Attorney and other County and Tribal officials to look at developing a Drug Wellness Court. This program would allow for individuals to be treated for their addiction with a program that would last 1 year instead of a jail sentence. This program has been used for the last 10 years in Menominee with 37 people graduating from the program and living successful lives. The average age in the program is 25, but for Vilas County the age range would be 17-25. Individuals are selected to this program and if successfully completed would clear their record. S. Hjenvich is concerned that the County would need resources to monitor the individuals in the program. In Menominee the individuals are called in for random drug screening and if the individual does not comply there can be sanctions. Other topics for discussion by the group will be education, intervention and grant money available for this program. A. Bauman would like the committee to be kept informed on the progress and will offer assistance in any way they can.

Pharmacies, urgent care facilities and emergency rooms are changing policy to help shrink the problem with the high rate of addiction to prescription drugs, but individuals may turn to more accessible and

cheaper drugs. Marshfield Clinic is taking back unused prescription drugs from 9-1 on Saturday October 29.

County Highway D update:

Chairman A. Bauman stated there was a big improvement on the flow of traffic by the Post Office. Elmer Rising Sun agreed that the safety concern has improved with the removal of the parking spaces. M. Bedish stated the joint meeting with the Hwy Committee solved the problem with no money involved to come up with a solution. E. Chapman mentioned there was a concern about the number of available parking spaces but that people will get use to it.

Chairman A. Bauman read a letter that was given to E. Chapman for President Maulson from the County Highway Committee in support of stop lights being installed at the intersection of CTH D and STH 47. He asked for a motion for a letter of support to be sent from the County Tribal and Concerns Committee as well.

A motion by G. Ciszek, 2nd by M. Bedish to send a letter of support to the Tribal Council for the installation of a stop and go light at the intersection of CTH D and STH 47 and to send a copy to the Department of Transportation. All voted aye. Carried.

County Park plan:

A. Bauman mentioned that the County Highway Dept and Forestry Dept could work toward fixing up the wayside park. So far the bathrooms have been redone.

Animal control issues:

B. Smith discussed a grant being awarded to the Humane Society and Pet Smart Charities for spayed/neuter clinics and for the use of mobile units. The award letter was for \$4,920. Eight dogs were brought to the Humane Society, 3 dogs tested positive for parvovirus. The Oneida County shelter will work with us to allow for animals to be brought there.

Letters and communications:

There is a mining meeting today at 1:00pm at the Hurley Public School. The mine has the potential for 2000 new jobs, but there are concerns on the potential pollution issues to ground water and rice beds. At this time, Vilas County has not taken action in regard to the proposed adjacent mines in Oneida and Iron Counties.

Set date for next meeting:

The next committee meeting is scheduled for 9:00 A.M., Thursday, December 1, 2011 at the Peter Christensen Health Care Center.

Adjournment:

Motion by M. Bedish, 2nd by G. Ciszek to adjourn. All voted aye. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:58 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lynn Bybee