

VILAS COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH BOARD MEETING

DATE: July 10, 2012

Chairman Erv Teichmiller called to order the regular meeting of the Vilas County Public Health Board at 9:00 a.m. on July 10, 2012 at the Peter Christensen Health Center conference room, at 129 Old Abe Rd., Lac du Flambeau, Wisconsin.

Present: Erv Teichmiller, Linda Thorpe, Emil Bakka, Mary Kim Black, Gary Peske, Dan Paretsky, Phillip Epping, Michael Schaars, Becky DeMuth and Randy Samuelson.

Also Present: Candy Grambow, Mary Platner, Gina Egan, Laurel Dreger, and Wendy Budde.

Absent/Excused: Laura Magstadt, and Julie Balocca.

Introductions are made around the table.

3. Motion by Bakka, second by Peske to approve agenda to be discussed in any order by the Chair. Carried.

4. Motion by Thorpe, second by Black to approve minutes of June 13, 2012 meeting. Carried.

5. Approve Staff Attendance at Upcoming Meetings:

7/18 – Gina to attend Accreditation Training in Wausau.

8/21 – Pam and Laurel to attend Public Health Nursing Conference in Stevens Point.

8/23 – Laurel to attend ROSIE Ad Hoc Training in Wausau.

Motion by Peske, second by Bakka to approve requests as presented. Carried.

6. Introduction of Humane Officer and Program Overview:

Egan introduces Candy Grambow to the committee. Grambow had been the Vilas County Humane Officer since May 2010. She tells the committee about the training she has just attended in St. Louis for her continuing education credits. The role of the Humane Officer is discussed. She deals with abused, neglected or hurt animals.

7. Ordinance 10 Animal Welfare and Control:

All committee members were provided with a copy of Chapter 10 of the Vilas County General Code of Ordinances. Egan speaks to the committee about the issue of feral cats being an ongoing and growing problem. Discussion. It is a general consensus that language needs to be added to the Ordinance to address this issue.

8. Humane Officer – Rabies Prophylaxis Proposal:

Candy Grambow requests that she be allowed to receive the rabies prophylaxis which is a total of three vaccinations, at a cost of \$1,095.00. Her employer is willing to pay half the cost. Discussion. Teichmiller asks for something in writing from Candy's employer indicating they will cover half the cost of the vaccine.

Motion by Peske, seconded by Black to approve payment. Carried.

9. (CHIP) Community Health Improvement Plan 2012 – 2017:

Discussion. Egan requests that she be allowed to release this document and proceed.

Motion by Bakka, seconded by Black to approve the CHIPS Plan. Carried.

10. Committee Consolidation:

Teichmiller explains to committee members that there is thought to be a need to consolidate Vilas County committees. This is currently being explored. In the future there may be an overall Director for Human Services. Discussion.

11. Equipment Purchases:

Egan received bids from two companies for an alarm system to monitor security for the health department building and also to monitor the vaccine freezer and refrigerator.

Discussion.

Motion by Peske, seconded by Black to table this issue until the next meeting so that Egan can get clarification of the bids. Carried.

12. Legislative Update:

Egan provides the committee with a copy of an article from the Journal Sentinel entitled Invest in Prevention.

13. Director's Report:

- Public Health Orientation for new Board of Health members will be on October 10th and 11th in Wausau.
- A Heat Advisory press release went out.
- The Cranberry Quilters Guild will be invited to the next meeting as they have provided the Health Dept. with baby quilts in the past.
- We are involved in a 9 county collaborative for Public Health Preparedness and will be applying for a \$125,000 Robert Wood Johnson Grant.
- Reports were received from two different families who had an experience with a bat in their sleeping room. Both bats were sent in to test for rabies.
- Egan is a member of the Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee.
- Oral Health statistics were handed out.
- The CDC has announced that there will be changes in the way local health departments can give shots. We will no longer be able to give shots to people who have insurance using the Vaccines for Children Program.

14. Review of Monthly Budget:

Discussion.

15. Letters and Communications:

None.

16. Approve Vouchers:

Motion by Peske, second by Bakka to approve the vouchers. Carried.

17. Next Meeting: Wednesday, August 8th, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.

17. Adjournment: **Motion** by Peske, second by Bakka to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 11:03 a.m.

Minutes reflect notations of the recorder, Wendy Budde, and are subject to approval by this Board.