

SHEBOYGAN COUNTY HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES

February 16, 2021

Called to Order: 8:30 a.m.

Adjourned: 9:34 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Brian Hoffmann—Chair, Supervisor Curt Brauer—Vice Chair, Supervisor Bill Goehring—Secretary, Supervisor Marilyn Montemayor, Supervisor Vicky Schneider, Supervisor Wendy Schobert, Mr. Larry Samet, Ms. Dianne Oppeneer

MEMBERS ABSENT: Ms. Jeanne Kliejunas

STAFF PRESENT: Matthew Strittmater, Starr Grossman, Scott Shackelford, Jackie Moglowsky, Tim Gessler, Sarah Mueller, Wendy Gorges, Diane Yass

PUBLIC PRESENT: Supervisor Gerald Jorgensen, Supervisor Rebecca Clarke, Suzanne Speltz, Julie Scheibel

Certification Of Compliance With Open Meeting Law

- The Health and Human Services Committee agenda was posted on February 11, 2021 at 2:16 p.m. in compliance with the Open Meeting Law.

Review and Approve Minutes: February 2, 2021

- Motion was made by Supervisor Brauer, seconded by Supervisor Goehring to approve the minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Department Head Report — Health and Human Services Director – Matt Strittmater

- State Bi-Annual Budget will be coming out soon.
- The State Department of Children and Family Services has reached out to meet with Sheboygan to learn about some of the successes and challenges we have in our Child Welfare/Youth Justice system. Our Organizational Effectiveness process improvement project will almost certainly be one of the things we highlight.
- Community feedback recently received related to pandemic response issues has been both positive and negative in terms of support for current county action.

Announcements and Correspondence

- There will not be a Health and Human Services Committee meeting on Tuesday, March 2, 2021 due to a conflict with the WCA's 2021 Legislative Exchange meeting.

Public Health Manager – Starr Grossman

- COVID Update
Sheboygan County has just over 12,000 positive cases with 177 actively ill. There have been 125 deaths since last March. This puts the county one step lower in the "high" designation category. The southeastern region of Wisconsin has been seeing a shrinking percentage of hospitalizations which is now at 86.5%. At the state level, there have been 965,000 doses of the COVID vaccine given. Sheboygan County has 9.3% of its population vaccinated and 28% of those folks are in the age 65+ category. The Sheboygan County website is continuously being updated with available places to get the vaccine.

Child and Family Services Manager Scott Shackelford and Supervisor Child Protective Services Sarah Mueller

- A presentation was given regarding the Child Protection—Legal Services (what are they and when do we need them). The main role of legal services relates to CHIPS (Children in Need of Protection) orders, Guardianships, and Termination of Parental Rights. Health and Human Services had been

receiving these services from the District Attorney's office until a change was made in 2020 to instead utilize dedicated time from Corporation Counsel. This new partnership has been going well. The Department and Corporation Counsel meet quarterly to review goal progress and problem solve. Goals for 2020 were reviewed, and many were successfully met despite the courts operating in a significantly scaled back fashion due to COVID-19. Additional time has recently been approved for 2021 to make progress on the backlog of cases that need legal services to attain permanency for the child. Updated goals for 2021 will be finalized once the timing and nature of enhanced services is known.

Health and Human Services Director – Matt Strittmater

- 2020 Health and Human Services Annual Report
Matt gave highlights from 2020 achievements including the pandemic response from the entire Health and Human Services department. Strengthened leadership and programs were made throughout the department. A strategic plan was completed as a department and a program prioritization was given by the HHS Committee members. Also, a new electronic health record implementation system is in the works for the department.

Review and Approve Vouchers

- January 17, 2021 to January 30, 2021
Motion was made by Supervisor Brauer, seconded by Supervisor Montemayor to approve vouchers. Amended motion was made by Supervisor Brauer, seconded by Supervisor Schobert to have Director Matt Strittmater sign the vouchers on behalf of the committee. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Attendance at Other Meetings

- Supervisor Chair Hoffmann requested authorization for attending the following meetings:
Administrative Panel – 02/08, 02/15
Motion was made by Supervisor Montemayor, seconded by Supervisor Schobert. Motion passed unanimously.

Reports on Meetings Attended

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