

Health Committee Meeting Minutes 1/4/2007

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Robert Regan at 8:30 a.m.

Present: Robert Regan, Steve Lanenberg, Mike Wolkomir, John Jinkins, Bill Sievert, and Phil Mrozinski.

Others Present: June Meudt, Fred Panke, Sue Steudel and Ann Thompson.

Motion for certification of open meeting by Phil/John. Carried.

Motion to approve December minutes and January agenda by Phil/Bill. Carried.

Agenda:

1. Tabled Health Ordinance discussion until next month.
2. The Iowa County Sheriff's Dept. and the Dodgeville Police Dept. are doing the tobacco contract for 2006.
3. Fred Panke, State Inspector for Iowa, Lafayette and Green counties, reported on his job and the Iowa County establishments he visits (restaurants, schools, pools, motels, county fair, etc.) He said his job is to be sure food is safe in the counties. People have a reasonable expectation on this. Grocery stores are handled by the Dept. of Agriculture and Iowa County will be getting a new person as Richard Gilbertson retired.
4. Discussion of moving the health dept. Amy Kaup is looking at the feasibility of adding the network to the new location and cost. She will get that to the committee.
5. The Dept. of Health & Family Services has a new secretary (Kevin Hayden).
6. Statistics on the Community Connections Free Clinic (CCFC) were presented. It is now looking for sustainable funding. SWCAP hoping to remodel the basement for both medical and dental clinics.
7. Motion to support and sign a resolution on strengthening laws for smoke-free worksites by Tom/Phil. Carried. This will also go before the whole County Board. It was mentioned that people have a "reasonable expectation" for clean air as well as safe food.
8. Flu vaccine usage for the future was discussed. It was asked to try and find estimates of how many people received flu shots, age distribution, and possibly areas of concentration. Are we getting a "herd immunity" in Iowa County? Educating the public was stressed. Should we give free vaccine? What is our strategy and/or role in providing vaccine? We need to plan for 2008 because 2007 vaccine needs to be ordered next week.
It was approved to provide some of the remaining flu vaccine to the CCFC so those clients can receive it. J. Meudt will follow through with this.
9. Motion to accept vouchers by Tom/John. Carried.
10. Next meeting on February 1 at 8:30 a.m.
11. Motion to adjourn by Tom/Bill. Carried.

Recorder: J. Meudt