

## MINUTES HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

**DATE:** Thursday, August 24, 2023  
**TIME:** 5:00 PM  
**PLACE:** River Block – Auditorium Room 206

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Adam Fischer, Donna Rozar (WebEx), Tom Buttke, John Hokamp (WebEx), Lee Thao, Kristin Iniguez (WebEx), Lori Nordman, Rebecca Spiros (WebEx, joined at 5:15 PM), Mary Jo Wheeler-Schueller (WebEx)

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Trent Miner, County Clerk; See attached sign-in list

1. Chairman Fischer called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM and declared a quorum present.
2. There were no public comments.
3. The consent agenda was presented for approval. Fischer pulled page 13 for further discussion. Director Vruwink provided an update to the ongoing criminal investigation of the former Norwood employee and the appeal process of the citations the facility received. Motion by Buttke/Thao to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Health Officer Smith reviewed with the committee how to obtain information on municipal water test data for any municipal wells in the state. The website will allow for search and drilling down per county and municipality.
5. Director Smith and Public Health Manager Alft presented the 2024 Health Dept. budgets, reviewed variances, and answered questions. Motion by Buttke/Wheeler-Schueller to approve the Health Dept. budgets as presented and forward to the Operations Committee. Motion carried unanimously.
6. County Veterans Service Officer Larson presented the 2024 Veterans budget, reviewed variances, and answered questions. Motion by Thao/Nordman to approve the Veterans budgets as presented and forward to the Operations Committee. Motion carried unanimously.
7. Chair Fischer reviewed the current practice of the committee chair taking minutes in closed sessions, and asked the committee if they would be agreeable to the County Clerk, or his staff/designee, taking the closed session minutes. Consensus of the committee was to allow the County Clerk or his staff/designee to take closed session minutes going forward.

8. Spiros complemented the Human Services Department for a recent communication sent to her and the effort they put forth.
9. Future meetings:
  - a. Thursday, August 31st at 5:00 PM – River Block Room 206 – Human Services Budget presentation
  - b. Thursday, September 28th at 5:00 PM – Wood County Annex & Health Center in Marshfield
10. Chairman Fischer declared the meeting adjourned at 5:52 PM.

Minutes taken by Trent Miner, County Clerk, and are in draft form until approved at the next meeting.

