

Crawford County Board of Health Committee Meeting Minutes Wednesday, January 20, 2021

Roll Call: Chairman, Gari Lorenz, Don Stirling, Wayne Jerret, Pat Dearth, Karen Reilly, Jane Schaaf, Amanda Schultz, Dan McWilliams, Cindy Riniker, Sharon Steele, Ellen Brooks

Meeting called to order at 10:30 a.m. McWilliams verified posting of agenda. Motion by Dearth to approve agenda and minutes as mailed, second by Schaaf. Motion carried unanimously.

COVID-19 Update – Cindy Riniker

- Cindy shared daily numbers and metrics. Outbreaks are decreasing.
- Testing continues in the county through Crossing Rivers, Gundersen and Public Health. Mayo Clinic also does limited testing in PDC.
- The National Guard testing has been extended on a limited basis. There are three more clinics scheduled for Crawford County. We will be changing to a three hour schedule since turnout has been poor.
- Nursing homes were vaccinated last week by Walgreens. Assisted living and large group homes will be vaccinated through Walgreens as well.
- Governor's mask mandate has been extended through March 20.
- Next week ages 65 and older will be eligible for the vaccine.
- We have been getting Pfizer vaccine. We order on Tuesday and find out what we get between Friday and Sunday.
- Crossing Rivers and Tristate Ambulance have offered their help with vaccination clinics.
- We are following the State Guidelines for our vaccination clinics. Our objective is to vaccinate as many people as possible and follow state guidance. Eighty percent of the population will need to be vaccinated to achieve herd immunity.
- Billboards in February and March will say "Wear Mask and Get Vaccinated".
- Karen Reilly mentioned she felt the last vaccination was perfectly run. There were many positive community comments as well.

Budget Updates – Dan McWilliams

- 2020 Key Fiscal Indicators Continued projection of the Key Fiscal Indicators through the end of December 2020 shows Mental Health Placements are over budget. Children's Placements continue to be significantly over budget caused by one RCC placement. AODA/Adult Placements show a positive change and is now under budget. Winnebago/Mendota Placements again show a positive change and is now under budget due to receiving additional funding. Overall placements were \$34,000 better than projected last month but still significantly over budget.
- Payroll overall continues with a positive variance of \$81,669 due reimbursement from Routes to Recovery and funding for Public Health COVID expenses.

- Overhead is still over budget.
- Services - Contracted & Non-Contracted continue to be under budget with \$8,000 better than last month.
- All Revenue is showing better than last month. Contract Funding increased due to receiving Cares Funding in Public Health of \$86,000 for contact tracing and \$37,000 for Federal enhanced IM funding. Also increased were Medicaid Funding by \$7,000, Third Party Revenue by \$13,000, Court Fees by \$1,000 and Client Fees by \$18,000. Final WIMCR dollars were \$3,000 less than projected.
- Today we are showing a positive of \$207,914.36. If a positive number continues when closing out the year, Dan will bring back a recommendation to the Human Services and Health Committees to consider returning a large portion to the county.

Agency updates

- Cindy shared communicable disease numbers.
- Influenza rates in Crawford county and across the State have been low. This can be contributed to social distancing/mask wearing.
- CAFO – County Board tabled CAFO moratorium
- DAWS – Second round of well testing will be in the spring. The first round gave a good picture of nitrate/bacteria levels in Crawford County.
- Cindy is looking for volunteers at clinics. She will send dates out to board members to see who is available to help.

Bills paid on Board Run

Dan reviewed bills. There were no questions.

Public Comment

Ellen Brooks wanted to publically thank the Crawford County Public Health Department for contributing to the CAFO Study Committee Report to the CC Board of Supervisors. Crawford Stewardship Project would like to see the county consider some of the 9 or more options for action included in the Study Committee Report. Once we are beyond the worst of the COVID-19 pandemic, perhaps Cindy Riniker and others from the Department can help move this along.

Cindy replied that she will work with Dave Troester from County Land Conservation Department on this.

Schedule Next Meeting

Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 17, 2021 at 10:30 a.m.

Adjourn

Motion by Dearth to adjourn, second by Reilly. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 11:09 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Sharon Steele