

**PUBLIC HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**  
**McHenry County Administration Building**  
**667 Ware Road, Conference Room A**  
**Woodstock IL 60098**

MINUTES OF FRIDAY, JUNE 23, 2006

Chairman Peschke called the meeting to order at 8:15a.m. The following Committee Members were present: Virginia Peschke, Chairman; Blake Hobson; Lyn Orphal; Sandra Salgado; Rick Klasen; Don Larson; and Anna May Miller. Also present: Dr. Greg Siermanski, Board of Health; Jerry Rivard, Animal Control; Sandy Lewis, Jane Wacker and Eric Samuelson, Mental Health.

Virginia Peschke, Chairman	
Don Larson	Richard Klasen
Anna May Miller	Lyn Orphal
Sandra Salgado	Blake Hobson

MINUTES

Committee members reviewed the joint minutes of the Management Services and Public Health & Human Services Committee minutes of June 13, 2006. Mr. Hobson noted a misspelling of his name. Mr. Klasen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Larson to recommend approval of the joint Management Service and Public Health & Human Services Committee minutes of June 13, 2006 as corrected. The minutes were approved as corrected with a unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

PRESENTATION

None

OLD BUSINESS

*Mental Health Board Appointment:* Chairman Peschke informed committee members that the remaining applicant for the open position on the Mental Health Board has withdrawn his application. Committee members have already interviewed Mr. Terrance Ellis and Ms. Sharon Osterberg. Mr. Ellis had applied for the opening for the Housing Authority, but, had also stated he would like to apply for the open position on the Mental Health Board. The Mental Health Board had indicated they would like a person with financial experience to serve on the board. After discussion, Mr. Hobson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Orphal to recommend the appointment of Mr. Terrance Ellis to the Mental Health Board. The motion carried with all members present voting aye.

NEW BUSINESS

*Resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation to the McHenry County Mental Health Board FY06/07 Continuation Funding Agreements:* Committee members reviewed a Resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation to the McHenry County Mental Health Board FY06/07 Continuation Funding Agreements. Ms. Lewis reminded committee members that the State of Illinois runs on a different fiscal cycle and these are the continuing contracts with the State for the continuation of their programs. She noted that the budget tables have been included with the resolution. Ms. Orphal made a motion, seconded by Ms. Miller to recommend approval of the above Resolution as presented. The motion carried with all members present voting aye.

*Resolution authorizing acceptance of the Americorps State Formula Funding Changes to the Mental Health Departmental Roster and an emergency appropriation to the FY05/06 Mental Health Budget:* Committee members reviewed a Resolution authorizing acceptance of the Americorps State Formula Funding Changes to the Mental Health Departmental Roster and an emergency appropriation to the FY05/06 Mental Health Budget. Funding for this program will focus on serving Latino youth and youth who have serious emotional disturbance. The program will be carried out at three centers in one on one Homework Help and facilitating Learn and Serve projects. This is a continuous grant that will last for three years. Ms. Salgado made a motion, seconded by Mr. Klasen to recommend approval of the above Resolution as presented. Mr. Klasen questioned whether the funding amount should be included in the grant. Committee members stated that the funding should be included in the Resolution. Ms. Salgado amended her motion to include the funding amount in the Resolution. Mr. Klasen amended his second. The motion carried, as amended, with all members present voting aye.

Ms. Lewis informed committee members that the Mental Health Board would be providing an update to the County Board during its August 1<sup>st</sup> meeting. She noted she would provide an update on the 1<sup>st</sup> year of the Family Care Project. She stated she would also inform the County Board Members of the Americorp grant. She stated that a group from Minnesota paid a technical visit to the Mental Health Board to assess the first year of the Family Care project. The group has been through this program and was very impressed on how the project is going.

*Update on Dangerous & Vicious Dog Task Force Recommendations:* Committee members reviewed the list of recommendations received from the Dangerous & Vicious Dog Task Force. The recommendations have been forwarded to the Board of Health and the Animal Control Advisory Board for review. Mr. Klasen informed committee members that the Advisory Board is currently looking at the Animal Control Ordinance for possible changes. One recommendation would require a special business license for dog breeders in the County. The Task Force has completed it's mission and forwarded its recommendations to the Advisory Committee. When the Board of Health and Advisory Board are through with their review, the recommended changes would come back to the committee for recommended approval at the County Board. Committee members suggested a joint meeting with the Board of Health when this is forwarded to the Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION  
None

REPORTS TO COMMITTEE

*WIB:* Chairman Peschke stated that some funding seems to have been blocked for the WIB and they have started a writing campaign to keep current funding levels.

*HRC:* The King Tutt essay awards have been presented by the HRC.

*Board of Health:* Nothing to report

*Animal Control:* Committee members stated concern that some of the funding for a new facility for Animal Control was relying on cat registration and cat registration has not been approved in the County. They noted that if the County was relying on the cat registration for funding, it puts the facility in jeopardy. Mr. Klasen reported that the Advisory Board is in favor of requiring cat registration, but, have not done so as of yet. Some committee members stated the need to find a new stream of income to make the facility a reality. Others stated this should not be part of the purchase package and should find the funding for the facility. It was noted that the public has sent a strong message that Animal Control is a priority. They requested that funding for a new facility not include cat registration fees as part of the funding package.

*Mental Health Board:* see above.

*Noise Ordinance:* Chairman Peschke reminded committee members that they had members of the States Attorneys office and Sheriff's office attend a previous meeting where they agreed to work in cooperation, to have the Sheriff's Department issue a disorderly conduct citation whenever a complaint has been received regarding a problem with noise. She noted that it has been disappointing to hear that this is not being done and the Sheriff's Department is stating they are still working with the State's Attorney on these issues. Committee members requested that a representative from the State's Attorney and Sheriff's Department attend the next committee meeting for discussion.

*Open Burning Forum:* An Open Burning Forum was held yesterday. It was noted that they will be coming forward with recommendations for changes to the ordinance. Chairman Peschke stated will become a health ordinance and will affect the whole county. She noted that education will be a big part of the ordinance. She stated that they have been informed that Marengo has a transfer station and will be contacted about the possible use of the station by area townships who offer leaf pickup.

*Senior Services Grant Commission:* Application Meeting dates have been set.

Ms. Salgado reported that the Mental Health Court meeting for July has been canceled.

ADJOURNMENT

Noting no further business, Mr. Klasen made a motion, seconded by Ms. Miller to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 a.m. The motion carried with a unanimous voice vote.

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**RECOMMENDED FOR BOARD ACTION:**

- Recommend the appointment of Mr. Terrance Ellis to the Mental Health Board
- Recommend approval of Resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation for the McHenry County Mental Health Board FY06/07 Continuation Funding Agreements
- Recommend approval of Resolution authorizing acceptance of the Americorps State Formula Funding changes to the Mental Health Departmental Roster and an emergency appropriation to the FY05/06 Mental Health Budget

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