

Whiteside County Board of Health Minutes  
Regular Meeting October 2, 2018

**Members present:** Rick Cavazos, Karen Nelson, Howard Melchi, Dr. Whittaker, and Dr. Mench (via phone). **Staff present:** Beth Fiorini, Gene Johnston and Peggy Long.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Howard Melchi. Karen Nelson made a motion to approve the July 2018 board meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Dr. Whittaker. The motion passed unanimously.

**Correspondence:** Fiorini shared: 1) thank you notes from Tony McCombie, Sauk Valley College and the Workplace Class, 2) IDPH Environmental audit was successfully completed with excellent results, 3) a successful tire collection day, and 4) a variety of bat newspaper articles on the positive rabies bat found in Whiteside County.

**PHA Report:** Fiorini shared: 1) results of the BID letting for the new CHC addition and passed out minutes from the meeting, 2) all conditions from the OSV have been lifted, 3) CHC received \$72,225 Quality Improvement money from HRSA that will be used to do Medicare and Medicaid case management, 4) CHC received SUD-MH grant award of \$305,000 to a) hire a tele-psych psychiatrist, b) increase access to opioid treatment, and c) send therapists to a variety of trainings, and 5) information about the new IHH (Integrated Health Homes) that the CHC will be participating in to case manage high risk behavioral health and medical patients.

**Committee reports:**

Finance: Howard Melchi reported the following:

Public Health Fund:	August 1, 2018	Beginning Balance	\$ 1,053,265.04
		Receipts	\$ 738,469.19
		Expenses	\$ 991,685.55
	August 31,, 2018	Ending Balance	\$ 800,048.68
Animal Control Fund:	August 1, 2018	Beginning Balance	\$ 196,139.04
		Receipts	\$ 28,536.43
		Expenses	\$ 26,687.30
	August 31, 2018	Ending Balance	\$ 197,988.17

Dr. Whittaker made a motion to place the Finance Report on file as presented, seconded by Rick Cavazos. The motion passed unanimously.

Personnel: (None)

By-laws: (None)

**Regular Business:**

1. Rick Cavazos made a motion to approve the FY 2019 Public Health Budget and recommend the budget to the County Board for appropriation, seconded by Karen Nelson. Fiorini answered questions. A comparison of the 2018 and projected 2019 budgets were shared via a request from Cindy Schott, board member. The motion passed unanimously.
2. Karen Nelson made a motion to approve the FY 2019 Animal Control Budget and recommend the budget to the County Board for appropriation, seconded by Dr. Whittaker. Fiorini answered questions. The motion passed unanimously.

**New Business:**

1. Dr. Whittaker made the motion to approve the Environmental Fee Adjustments to begin in FY 2019 as presented, seconded by Rick Cavazos. Fiorini and Johnston answered questions. The motion passed unanimously. See attached.
2. Fiorini presented the updated animal control ordinance to the BOH and explained that the ordinance would go to the Health and Social Services Committee at their October meeting. The ordinance includes the registration and vaccination of cats for rabies. Fiorini explained the importance of including cats in the ordinance related to the positive bat found in Whiteside County this summer. The BOH agreed by consensus to recommend the updated ordinance to the county board for approval.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Beth Fiorini, Public Health Administrator