

## HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

**DATE:** October 19, 2021

**PLACE:** Courthouse – Safety Conference Room 105 – Wisconsin Rapids (meeting also accessible via WebEx)

**TIME:** 8:30 AM

**PRESENT (in-person):** Adam Fischer; John Hokamp; Lee Thao; Lori Nordman (**via WebEx**) Donna Rozar, Tom Buttke, Heather Wellach, RN

**EXCUSED/ABSENT:** Kristen Iniguez, DO; Laura Valenstein

**ALSO PRESENT (for all or part of the meeting):** Brandon Vruwink (Human Services); Sue Kunferman (Health Department); Bill Clendenning, Dennis Polach, Ken Curry (County Board Supervisors), Marissa Kornack (Norwood) Peter Kastenzholz (Corp Counsel), Trent Miner (County Clerk) [*Some attendees were in the room and others joined by WebEx*]

**1) Call to Order**

Meeting called to order at 8:30 a.m. by the Chair.

**2) Quorum**

Rozar declared a quorum.

**3) Public Comments**

- n/a

**4) Resolution to support fixing the BadgerCare Plus Benefits Cliff**

Brandon Vruwink provided a brief explanation for the resolution. Motion (Fischer/Thao) to support the Resolution as presented and forward to the County Board for approval. All ayes. Motion carried.

**5) Norwood Pay Practice Policy** – Kornack provided a copy of a plan that due to significant staffing shortages, would incentivize current employees for picking up empty shifts. Within the past few weeks, they have lost 3 RN positions and have a number of vacant positions they cannot fill. This program would only be through the end of 2021. Discussion ensued. Motion (Fischer/Hokamp) to approve the proposed policy and have further discussion in regards to this subject at future regular meetings. Motion carried unanimously.

**6) Health Department Resolution to add 1 FTE Public Health Nurse Position**

Sue Kunferman provided a brief explanation for the resolution and grant funding that will support the FTE request. Motion (Hokamp/Fischer) to support the Resolution as presented and forward to the County Board for approval. All ayes. Motion carried.

**7) Adjourn**

Rozar declared the meeting adjourned at 8:49 AM.

Minutes taken by County Clerk Trent Miner, and subject to Committee approval.