

# HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

## Approved Minutes

DATE: January 22, 2003

TIME: 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: Fillmore Street Complex

PRESENT: Joyce Kortman, Cornelius Vander Kam, Cynthia Visscher

ABSENT: Edward Berghorst, Jane Ruiter

STAFF & GUESTS: Vito Palazzolo, Health Officer; Dr. Paul Heidel, Health Director; Cathy Simons, MI Works!; Gerry Cyranowski, Mental Health Director; Rosemary Zink, Finance Director; Sherri Sayles, Deputy Clerk; Media

SUBJECT: CONSENT ITEMS

HHS 03-001 Motion: To approve the minutes of the December 5, 2002, meeting as presented and to approve the agenda of today as presented and amended to add Action Item #3 - Walk for Warmth Resolution.

Moved by: Kortman Supported by: Vander Kam UNANIMOUS

SUBJECT: DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Bio-Terrorism Smallpox - A powerpoint presentation was presented by Dr. Heidel on Smallpox. Vito Palazzolo explained that Ottawa County and the Health Department are in the planning stages with the State of Michigan. Phase I will be starting and it involves the Health Department staff and hospitals staff. Ottawa County is in Region 6 and Phase I will be done in Kent County. The 600-650 people in Phase I that will be vaccinated are all voluntary. Phase 2 will start in March or April. There will be 60 - 70 thousand responders in Phase 2 which consists of EMS, firefighters, police (local, state, and city), and hospital personnel. Before Phase 2 starts, Vito will report back to the Health and Human Services Committee. Phase 3 will be offered to the general public in 2004. Information will be available on the Health Department's web site.

SUBJECT: ELECTION OF COMMITTEE VICE CHAIR

Approve by consent the nomination and election of Joyce Kortman as Vice- Chairperson of the Health and Human Services Committee.

SUBJECT: DATES AND TIME OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The Health and Human Services Committee will be meeting the first Wednesday of the month from 10:00 a.m. - 12 noon at the Fillmore Street Complex.

**SUBJECT: WALK FOR WARMTH RESOLUTION**

HHS 03-002 Motion: To approve and forward to the Board of Commissioners a Resolution declaring February 22, 2003, "Walk for Warmth Day" in Ottawa County.

Moved by: Vander Kam Supported by: Kortman UNANIMOUS

**SUBJECT: DRUG PRESCRIPTION DISCOUNT PLAN**

Mr. Vander Kam has had several calls regarding the Senior Drug Prescription Discount Plan. Complaints have ranged from not enough forms to lack of general public knowledge. More public relations needed as well as internal education. Vito Palazzolo to follow-up.

**SUBJECT: ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.