HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

Approved Minutes

DATE: May 2, 2007
TIME: 1:00 p.m.
PLACE: Holland Health Dept, Bldg. C
PRESENT: James Holtrop, James Holtvluwer, Matthew Hehl, Joyce Kortman, Jane Ruiter

STAFF & GUESTS: Alan Vanderberg, Administrator; Bill Raymond, MI Works!/CAA Director; Loren Snippe, Human Services Director; Lisa Stefanovsky, Health Officer; Dr. Paul Heidel, Medical Director; Julie Gillespie, OAISD; Karen McPhee, OAISD; Bud Ferguson, OAISD; Donovan Thomas, Environmental Health; Steve Baar, Sheriff’s Dept.; Greg Steigenga, Undersheriff; Pat VerDuin, Juvenile Services Director; Sherri Sayles; Deputy Clerk

SUBJECT: CONSENT ITEMS

HHS 07-009 Motion: To approve the Agenda of today as presented and to approve the Minutes of the April 4, 2007, meeting as presented.
Moved by: Holtrop UNANIMOUS

SUBJECT: OTTAWA COUNTY HOUSING COMMISSION BY-LAWS

HHS 07-010 Motion: To approve and forward to the Board of Commissioners the Ottawa County Housing Commission By-Laws.
Moved by: Ruiter UNANIMOUS

SUBJECT: DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. May Special Education Millage Proposal Presentation – A power point presentation was presented by Karen McPhee, Bud Ferguson and Julie Gillespie from the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District.

2. MRSA (Meticillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus) – A powerpoint presentation was presented by Dr. Paul Heidel. Lt. Steve Baar explained the precautions in place at the Ottawa County Jail.
3. Human Services Coordinating Council Update – A Human Services Coordinating Council update was presented by Lisa Stefanovsky and Pat VerDuin.

4. Department Updates:

MI Works! – Bill Raymond reported on two upcoming events. One is on May 18th dealing with “Early Childhood and the Economy” and one at GVSU on May 15th and 16th dealing with “Education and Workforce Development”.

Community Action Agency – Bill Raymond thanked the Committee for the passage of the Ottawa County Housing Commission By-Laws. He also reported he attended a Housing Conference with excellent workshops. He reported on the strong need for a Housing Trust Fund which is being looked at by the legislature.

Human Services – Loren Snippe reported on the State budget concerns as a State funded agency. Human Services has experienced some budget cuts as of April 1st. He gave a brief update on the “Family to Family” program and reported satisfactory results. He spoke briefly on the older foster care population and getting them ready for adulthood.

Environmental Health – A Resource Recovery Update was presented by Donovan Thomas. He also gave a brief update on the PCB issue in Zeeland. As of Monday, the Zeeland Landfill hasn’t been contacted by the EPA or DEQ. Donovan will forward an update to the Administrator for the digest.

Juvenile Services – Pat VerDuin reported an e-mail is going around regarding PA2 funding cuts. This would impact a lot of programs.

Health Department – Lisa Stefanovsky reported the staff is concerned with possible State cuts. She reported briefly on the 6% Medicaid cut.

A tour of the Health Building was taken after the meeting was adjourned.

SUBJECT: ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:32 p.m.