

Health and Education Committee Meeting

Thursday, February 18, 2021

Vermilion County Administration Building, 2nd Floor, 5:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Agenda Item 1- Call to Order and Roll Call

Committee Chairman Kevin Green called the Health & Education meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

Roll Call, the following members were present: Kevin Green, Marla Mackiewicz, Phearn Butler, and Diana Frazier-Brenneman. Chuck Mockbee and Dan Wright were excused. Robert Boyd was absent. (4 present, 3 absent).

Also present were: Larry Baughn – Vermilion County Board Chairman, Bill Donahue - County Board Risk Consultant, Cassy Carter - County Board Financial Administrative Manager, Jennifer Jenkins County Board Office Manager, Kasey Snyder – Director of Animal Regulation, Doug Toole – Director of Health Department, Jerry Hawker – County Board and Jim Watson – County Board.

Agenda Item 2- Adoption/ Amendment to the Agenda

Motion moved by Green, second by Butler to approve the agenda. Motion was carried by acclamation.

Agenda Item 3 – Approval of Minutes from November 19, 2020

Motion moved by Green, second by Mackiewicz, to approve minutes. Upon the call of the roll the following members voted yes, to wit: Kevin Green, Marla Mackiewicz, Phearn Butler, and Diana Frazier-Brenneman. 4 yes, 3 absent. Motion passed.

Agenda Item 4 – Audience Comments

None.

Agenda Item 5 – Ordinance: Amendment to the Combined Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Animal Regulations Department - \$24,500.00

Baughn advised that in October of 2020 the Animal Regulations along with the state had to take into care: 14 chickens, 1 horse, 1 mini horse, 2 goats, 2 pigs, 1 dog and 2 reptiles. This is a current court case; the next court date is in May. The current cost is \$3,500 per month. Kasey Snyder, Director of Animal Regulations, has tried to convince the owner to relinquish the animals into the custody of the county. Jerry Hawker stated he has information about a statute that would call for a security bond. With this bond, the owner would pay for boarding, or relinquish the animals to the county. Hawker stated per statute this would call for expedited hearing within 5 days. If at any time the owner does not post said security bond, this would result in relinquishing the animals to the county. Charges against the owner of the animals would still move forward. Baughn stated if this passes then Animal Regulations wouldn't need the full amount of this amendment. Baughn has set up a meeting for the following day with the State's Attorney and Assistant State's Attorney. Snyder explained that November 2020 has already been paid out of the 2020 budget. Motion moved by Green, second by Mackiewicz to approve. Upon the call of the roll the following members voted yes, to wit: Kevin Green, Marla Mackiewicz, Phearn Butler, and Diana Frazier-Brenneman. 4 yes, 3 absent. Motion passed.

Agenda Item 6 – Executive Session

Not needed.

Agenda Item 7 Items of Information

Doug Toole updated on vaccine clinic today at the Fischer Theater. The clinic administered 510 vaccines. The next clinic at the Fischer will be on February 25th. After this date the county will feel the slowdown from the number of vaccines provided by the state. The Health Department was notified that 300 doses will be the next released and these are to be shared with OSF and Carle as well. Toole advised if you missed the shot date for second vaccine please call the Health Department and make an appointment, they do have these in hand for the second vaccine.

Agenda Item 8 - Adjournment

Committee Chairman Green adjourned the meeting at 5:17 PM.

Minutes by: Cassy Carter, Financial Administrative Manager