



SOUTHWEST HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
COMMUNITY HEALTH BOARD

MINUTES

Date: October 18, 2023  
Place: Lyon County Government Center  
Commissioners Room  
Marshall, Minnesota

Opened: 10:22 a.m.  
Adjourned: 11:02 a.m.

The monthly meeting of the Community Health Services Board for Southwest Health and Human Services was held on Wednesday, October 18, 2023 in the Commissioners Room of the Lyon County Government Center in Marshall, Minnesota. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Wakefield.

Members present:	Jeane Anderson	Todd Draper
	Rick Anderson	Lois Schmidt
	Steve Hauswedell	Doug Nagel
	Maydra Maas	Sherri Thompson
	Les Nath	Rick Wakefield
	Mic Vandever	Dennis Welgraven
	Jim Salfer	

Members absent:	Greg Burger	Jackie Meier
	Joan Jagt	Dan Wildermuth

Staff present:	Carol Biren	Cindy Nelson
	Chris Cauwels	Ann Orren
	Monica Christianson	Nancy Walker
	Lisa DeBoer	Beth Wilms
	Chantelle Fogelson	Vicki Kletscher

J. **Call to Order**

K. **Consent Agenda-**

Chairperson Wakefield asked if there were any additions to the agenda. There were two additions made to discuss that included the public health budget and the portable greenhouses. Chairperson Wakefield asked if anyone had a conflict of interest to identify. None were identified. He asked if there were any correction or additions to the minutes of the September 20, 2023 minutes. None were identified. Motion by commissioner Salfer second by commissioner Anderson to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

L. **Financial –**

Chairperson Wakefield stated the Financials had been received during the Human Services Board, and will be moved to the Governing Board.

M. **Caseload-**

Director Wilms asked if there were any comments or concerns regarding the caseload. There were none.

N. **Discussion Items-**

1. **SCHSAC Notes September 2023**

Carol Biren provided an update on the September SCHSAC meeting. There will be 3 new funding streams for PH in 2024. Two starting January 2024; state Emergency Preparedness funding, approximately \$175,000 and PH Foundational funding. The funding formula for the PH Foundational funding will be approved at the December SCHSAC meeting. The 3<sup>rd</sup> new funding stream is cannabis and that will start in July of 2024. The SRDC will be helping with planning.

2. **Public Health Budget**

Chairperson Anderson would like the levy to decrease for public health from \$14.25 per person to \$10.00 per person for 2024. Beth Wilms asked that Lisa DeBoer put numbers together to see what it would look like for the year 2024 only.

3. **Portable Greenhouse**

Chairperson Anderson was questioning the status of the portable greenhouses. Pipestone has the concrete poured and will be up and running in the next month. Ann has been in contact with Minneota and they are on schedule for delivery by the end of the month.

O. **Decision Items-**

1. Ann Orren presented recommendations from the Opioid Settlement Funds Committee, round 1 of the \$175,000 settlement funds was opened up. Funding committee met last week and made recommendations. Total of 9 applications were submitted. The Funding Sub-committee recommended to fund 5 full applications and 1 partial. The award

recommendations were CentraCare totaling \$76,896.00, Lyon County Sheriff's Office totaling \$1,500 each year for 10 years or the life of the K9, Murray County Central Schools totaling \$179.60, Redwood County Sheriff's Office totaling \$30,000.00, Minnesota West Community and Technical College totaling \$49,900 and New Life Treatment Center which was a totaling of \$23,119.59. Two grants provide services for all six SWHHS Counties. Lincoln County will be asked to contribute \$4,631.56 for the Minnesota West grant and \$1,93.63 for New Life Treatment Center. If Lincoln county approves the request for funds, the board has agreed to fully fund the recommended grant amounts. Motion by Commissioner Anderson, second by Commissioner Salfer. The motion carried unanimously.

**2. Opioid Settlement Funds, Round 2 release amount**

Ann Orren stated that round 2 will not go out until March/April 2024. Committee recommended \$300,000 for the next round. Motion by Commissioner Draper, second by Commissioner Nagel. The motion carried unanimously.

**3. Cannabis Ordinance**

Redwood and Lyon County Attorneys have reached out to Ann Orren questioning if they are able to pass a public use cannabis ordinance under the Public Health 145A. If it is passed under the 145A, it covers the entire county, so it wouldn't need to be done in individual cities. Requested Board to support each county passing a public-use cannabis ordinance under 145A, Public Health Authority. Motion by Commissioner Welgraven, second by Commissioner Vandevere. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairperson Wakefield asked if there was anything further to bring to the Board. Hearing nothing, he adjourned the meeting at 11:02am.

Approved Date 11/15/2023

Authorized Rich Wakefield  
Chairperson, Community Health Board

Chantelle Fogelson  
Recording Secretary, Community Services Board

Attest: Beckman  
Director