

Lake County Illinois

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18 N. County Street
Waukegan, IL 60085-4351*



Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, January 31, 2017

11:00 AM

Assembly Room, 10th Floor

Health and Community Services Committee

1. Call to Order

Chairman Carlson called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

Present 7 - Chair Carlson, Vice Chair Hart, Member Calabresa, Member Cunningham, Member Frank, Member Martini and Member Paxton

Others Present:

Farrah Watson, Finance and Administrative Services

Mike Peck, Veterans Assistance

Erin Cartwright Weinstein, Circuit Clerk

Brenda O'Connell, Community Development

Vanessa Cabinan, Community Development

RuthAnne Hall, Finance and Administrative Services

Mark Pfister, Health Department

Camerson Davis, Assistant County Administrator

Heidie Hernandez, County Board Office

Linda Pederson, County Board Member

Tom Weber, County Board Member

Barry Burton, County Administrator

Gary Gordon, Finance and Administrative Services

Ben Gilbertson, County Administrator's Office

Ryan Horne, Finance and Administrative Services

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Carlson led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Approval of Minutes

4. Addenda to the Agenda

There were no items added to the agenda.

5. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

6. Chairman's Remarks

There were no Chairman's remarks.

7. Old Business

There was no old business to conduct.

8. New Business

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

8.1 [17-0120](#)

Joint resolution accepting the Health Care Foundation of Northern Lake County, Illinois, Department of Human Services, and Friends for Health grants and authorizing an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$154,300 for fiscal year (FY) 2017.

Health Department Director Mark Pfister, reported on the Health Care Foundation of

Northern Lake County, Illinois, Department of Human Services, and the Friends for Health grants. The Health Care funds will be for the Round Lake High School based wellness center for an external consultant to provide input on operations. Additionally, funds will be used for the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Breastfeeding Peer Counselor Program, personnel, and supplies for the WIC Program. The Friends for Health funds will be used for a part-time breastfeeding counselor, and to fund a pregnancy program center.

A motion was made by Member Carlson, seconded by Member Hart, that this resolution be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 7 - Chair Carlson, Vice Chair Hart, Member Calabresa, Member Cunningham, Member Frank, Member Martini and Member Paxton

VETERAN'S ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

8.2 [17-0094](#)

Joint resolution accepting the Healthcare Foundation of Northern Lake County, a one-time grant to provide dental services to veterans of Lake County and authorizing an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$25,000.

Mike Peck of the Veteran's Assistance Commission reported on the Health Care Foundation of Northern Lake County, Illinois, for the one-time grant to provide dental services to approximately ten more veterans.

A motion was made by Member Cunningham, seconded by Member Martini , that this resolution be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 7 - Chair Carlson, Vice Chair Hart, Member Calabresa, Member Cunningham, Member Frank, Member Martini and Member Paxton

9. Executive Session

There was no executive session.

10. County Administrator's Report

Brenda O'Connell of Community Development reported on the results from the Homeless Point-in-Time event. The event is conducted to count the number of homeless people living outside and to inform the homeless of the services offered by the County. The event was successful in finding 26 people living outside. This data is collected for the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) report and to help determine how much housing is needed. Ms. O'Connell also provided a brief description as to what it takes to plan the event and what resources are used to discover the homeless people.

10.1 [17-0121](#)

Health Department Staff Presentation on Tobacco 21.

Health Department Director Mark Pfister reported on the recent Together Summit. He provided survey results that identified how many attendees, organizations, municipalities, and elected officials participated. The survey also resulted in positive feedback from participants, when asked questions related to supporting Tobacco 21, Go Lake County,

and Behavioral Health Capacity.

Mr. Pfister presented on the Tobacco 21 initiative to change the age for purchasing and possessing tobacco in Lake County from 18 to 21 years of age. Senators Melinda Bush and Terry Link have sponsored Senate Bill (SB) 3011 which raises the age for whom tobacco product and electronic cigarettes may be sold to, and possessed by, from 18 years of age to 21 years of age. In addition, the name of the act changes to the Prevention of Tobacco Use by Persons under 21 Years of Age and Sale and Distribution of Tobacco Products Act. The SB 3011 passed senate on May 18, 2016, and arrived in House, but no action was taken and has been re-referred to the Rules Committee for potential action in Spring 2017. Several statistics were provided including adult smoking, and high school smoking trends to support the need in changing the age for purchasing and possessing tobacco from 18 to 21 years of age.

Mr. Pfister reported on the Tobacco 21 strategy by municipality and noted municipalities not under home rule will need to provide a valid reason for passing the ordinance. Member Frank mentioned when the City of Highland Park passed the ordinance changing the age, the question was raised as to why the County has not enacted this and expressed the importance for the County approving the Tobacco 21 ordinance. County Administrator Barry Burton added that before an ordinance is passed, law enforcement and other departments have to be notified.

It is the consensus of the committee that an ordinance be drafted and be placed on a future agenda for consideration.

Mr. Pfister committed to providing regular updates to the committee.

This matter was presented

11. Members' Remarks

Member Cunningham thanked the staff in Community Development for their efforts in the Homeless Point-in-Time event.

12. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

A motion was made that this item be adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Chair Carlson, Vice Chair Hart, Member Calabresa, Member Cunningham, Member Frank, Member Martini and Member Paxton

Meeting minutes prepared by Heidie Hernandez.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman

Vice-Chairman

Health and Community Services Committee