

# **Grant County Board of Health**

November 29, 2011

5:30PM

**PRESENT:** Margaret Ruf; Dwight Nelson; Ivan Farness; Vern Lewison;  
Grant Loy; Mary Kay Logemann; Matt Andrews;  
Jeff Kindrai; Mary Rasmussen

**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting called to order at 5:30pm by Margaret Ruf, Chair.

**OPEN MEETING LAW:** Meeting was in/on the newspaper, county website and posted at our building.

**CHANGES IN AGENDA:** Motion by Dwight Nelson, second by Ivan Farness to approve changes to agenda to include removing Provisions to Approve Multiple Month Financials, etc and the Closed Session. Motion carried.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** Dwight Nelson made a motion to approve the minutes of previous meeting, second by Mary Kay Logemann. Carried.

**VOUCHERS:** Mary Kay Logemann made a motion to approve September vouchers totaling \$105,676.59 and October vouchers totaling \$65,788.10, second by Grant Loy. Carried.

**MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS:** Ivan Farness made a motion to approve the September and October Monthly Financial Reports, second by Mary Kay Logemann. Carried.

**LOAN CLOSET FINANCIAL REPORT:** Mary Kay Logemann made a motion to approve the Loan Closet Financial Report, second by Dwight Nelson. Carried.

**SEMINAR AND TRAINING UPDATE:** Mary Kay Logemann made a motion to approve the seminar and training report for September and October, second by Ivan Farness. Carried.

**COUNTY SEMOKING ORDIANNCE REVISIONS:** Matt Andrews made a motion to recommend striking the language in Grant County Smoking Ordinance that puts it out of compliance with the current state law, second by Mary Kay Logemann. Carried.

**2012 BUDGET UPDATES:** The contract amount for the funding for the Tobacco program has been removed from the Grant County Health Department budget. The State would not approve sub contracting in 2012. A First Breath Grant and some funds remain and will be used to provide tobacco related services until the funding is gone as required.

**HOSPICE DRUG UPDATES:** The Health Department continues to explore pharmacy services and its potential for providing a cost saving. The Department is also reviewing options and considering the ease of use for clients and staff as well as ensuring the use of local pharmacies.

**GRANT APPLICATIONS:** Ivan Farness made a motion to approve applying for the DOT car seat grant for \$2,500, second by Vern Lewison. Carried.

**STAFFING REQUESTS AND UPDATES:** The Department currently has two LTE nurses to cover medical leave of nursing staff.

**DIRECTORS REPORT:** Jeffery A. Kindrai, MSPH, RS

- Influenza update – It has been a mild year so far. The State Lab requests confirmation testing on positive rapid test results.
- Fee exempt well testing information– 37% of wells tested came back positive for bacteria, this places Grant County 2<sup>nd</sup> (worst) in state. However, flooding likely accounts for many of the positive results. 9% of wells tested for nitrates were above the MCL.
- The State has prepared a report about burden of falls. Falls in Wisconsin costs 496 billion in medical expenses.
- Carryover accounts have been submitted to Nancy Scott.
- Consolidated contract pre-payments for next year may be delayed for one month due to hold ups on the State's end. They will come eventually.

**ASSISTANT DIRECTORS REPORT:** Mary J. Rasmussen, RN, BSN

- Our billing format is completely changing on 1/1/12. All bills will need to be in 5010 format. The Department is working with its software vendor to stay compliant.
- The Department has recently undergone Medicare Recredentialing for the Hospice and Home Care Programs.
- Medical coding will be changing from ICD9 to ICD10 in 2013 creating need for staff training to code correctly.

**ADJOURN:** Ivan Farness made a motion to adjourn, second by Mary Kay Logemann. Carried. Next meeting is scheduled for January 24, 2012.

Respectfully Submitted,

GRANT COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Dwight Nelson, Secretary