



ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 05, 2020

AMENDED:
7/30/2020

6:00 P.M.

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MEETING ID: 366 937 9659

AGENDA

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1. Call to Order
2. Adopt Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes – (6/24/2020)
4. Citizen Participation
5. New Business
 - A. Administrative Division
 - (1) Review of Payments
 - (2) Transfer of Funds over \$5,000
 - (3) Health Department Report
 - a. In the News
 - b. Surveillance
 - c. Community Events/Outreach
 - d. Budget
 - e. Personnel
 - B. Resolution: Extending the Deadline for the Workgroup to Study the High Nitrates Levels in Rock County's Groundwater
 - C. ~~Resolution: Encouraging ASH residents of Rock County to Wear Masks to Limit the Spread of COVID-19~~
6. Communications and Announcements
7. Adjournment

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MINUTES OF BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

June 24, 2020

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Chair Peer at 6:00 p.m.

Board of Health Members Present: Chair Peer, Supervisor Rynes, Supervisor Williams, Supervisor Wilde, Dr. Meyers, Dr. Winter, Mr. Gresens, Dr. Somaraju, and Ms. Kolste.

Board of Health Members Absent: None at this time.

Staff Members Present: Marie-Noel Sandoval – Health Officer; Michelle Bailey – Assistant Director; Rick Wietersen – Environmental Health Director; Matt Wesson – Environmental Health Supervisor; Kelsey Cordova – Community Health Education Coordinator; Alison Chouinard – Health Educator and Emergency Preparedness Coordinator; Nick Zupan – Epidemiologist; Kristi Ferrara – Public Health Nurse; and Jessica Turner – Administrative Services Supervisor.

Others Present: Supervisor Bostwick – County Board; Mary M; Supervisor Purviance – County Board; and Supervisor Richard – County Board.

Adopt Agenda

Dr. Meyers made a motion to adopt the agenda. Supervisor Rynes seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED.

Approval of Minutes – 6/3/2020

Dr. Winter made a motion to approve the minutes of the 6/3/2020 Board of Health meeting. Supervisor Wilde seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED.

Citizen Participation

None at this time.

New Business

Administrative Division

Health Department Report

In the News

Ms. Sandoval reported that COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations continue to rise nationwide due to opening too soon and quickly. She stated that there are concerns about flu season. She said that New York is being praised for reopening well. According to Ms. Sandoval, the CDC is asking for more public health funding. Ms. Sandoval also reported that the Rock County Emergency Operations Center stood down today. It was open for 104 days.

Mr. Zupan provided the Board members with the current COVID-19 data.

Ms. Sandoval told the Board that health department staff is starting to move into regular duties in addition to COVID-19 response.

Surveillance

Nothing to report.

Community Events/Outreach

Ms. Sandoval stated that there have been multiple media requests and interviews. Staff have started to do weekly question and answer videos. Data and guidance is being posted to the health department website and social media.

Budget

Ms. Sandoval told the Board that she is looking at the end of year budget for some grants. She is also working on the 2021 department budget. She said it will look similar to the 2020 budget. She will be requesting a Communications Specialist as a regular position.

Personnel

Ms. Bailey reported that the Public Health Department is losing some of the current surge staff to their regular jobs. She said that the Public Health Nurses were acting as liaisons at the beginning and are now getting back to that. Ms. Bailey told the Board that STIs are spiking.

Kristi Ferrara, recently hired Public Health Nurse, introduced herself to the Board.

Ms. Bailey announced that the Public Health Department hired a Public Health Supervisor who will be starting on Monday. Her name is Jean Stoll.

Mr. Wietersen told the Board that the school districts have been meeting with the Public Health Department weekly. They also sent an opinion survey to parents and staff. He also stated that the Department of Public Instruction just released guidance for schools. Mr. Wietersen told the Board that the facility inspectors are now busy with normal inspections. They have also been working one-on-one with facilities to assist with reopening phases.

Mr. Wesson added that they are making sure that facilities are in compliance with requirements and recommendations. They will be shifting to more routine inspections next week.

Mr. Wietersen said that the Environmental Health staff has also been helping with contact tracing calls.

Ms. Cordova told the Board that two of the seven limited term nurses have left to go back to their regular jobs. Four new contact tracers will be starting on Monday. More interviews are scheduled for this week.



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Ms. Bailey told the Board about a statewide advisory board for long term mass testing plans. She said there is money available from the CARES funding for testing and a variety of organizations can apply. The funds are available from July 15 to October 15 or until funds are spent. This is only for PCR testing for COVID-19 for Wisconsin residents in a non-ambulatory setting. It includes the test, instructions, results, and follow-up instructions. It is to be used as a payer of last resort.

Resolution: Accepting Additional Public Health Consolidated Contract Grant Funds and Amending the 2020 Rock County Public Health Department Budget

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2020 does hereby authorize the Rock County Public Health Department to accept this funding in the amount of \$1,671,484 and amend the 2020 Rock County Public Health Department Budget as follows:

<u>Account/Description</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>1/1/20</u>	<u>Increase</u> <u>(Decrease)</u>	<u>Amended</u> <u>Budget</u>
<u>Source of Funds</u>			
31-3205-0000-42100 Federal Aid	\$-0-	\$38,400	\$38,400
31-3201-0000-42100 Federal Aid	\$-0-	\$225,500	\$225,500
31-3202-0000-42100 Federal Aid	\$-0-	\$30,000	\$30,000
31-3203-0000-42100 Federal Aid	\$-0-	\$1,377,584	\$1,377,584
<u>Use of Funds</u>			
31-3205-0000-63110 Administration Expense	\$-0-	\$38,400	\$38,400
31-3201-0000-63110 Administration Expense	\$-0-	\$225,500	\$225,500
31-3202-0000-63110 Administration Expense	\$-0-	\$30,000	\$30,000
31-3203-0000-63110 Administration Expense	\$-0-	\$1,377,584	\$1,377,584

Supervisor Wilde made a motion to accept the resolution. Dr. Winter seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED.

Ms. Sandoval explained the funding amounts and purposes.

Resolution: Accepting Public Health Emergency Preparedness COVID19 Funds and Amending the 2020 Rock County Public Health Department Budget

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled on this _____ day of _____, 2020 does hereby authorize the Rock County Public Health Department to accept these additional grant funds in the amount of \$95,382, and amend the 2020 Rock County Public Health Department Budget as follows:

<u>Account/Description</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>1/1/20</u>	<u>Increase</u> <u>(Decrease)</u>	<u>Amended</u> <u>Budget</u>
<u>Source of Funds</u>			
31-3204-0000-42100			
Federal Aid	\$ - 0 -	\$95,382	\$95,382
<u>Use of Funds</u>			
31-3204-0000-63110			
Administration Expense	\$ - 0 -	\$95,382	\$95,382

Mr. Gresens made a motion to accept the resolution. Ms. Kolste seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED.

Ms. Sandoval explained the source and purpose of funding.

Resolution: Create the Position of Public Health Communications Specialist, Create a Class Description, Establish a Pay Range, and Amend the 2020 Budget

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2020 moves to create the position of a 1.0 Public Health Communications Specialist, create the class description, and establish Pay Range 19 (\$55,311.12 -\$67,150.08) effective June 25, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 2020 Rock County Public Health Department budget be amended as follows:

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<u>Source of Funds</u>				
31-3000-0000-68000				
Federal Aid	\$ 319,760	\$ 84,075	\$404,035	
<u>Use of Funds</u>				
31-3000-61100	Wages	\$ 2,068,069	\$58,088	\$2,126,157
31-3000-61400	FICA	\$ 159,531	\$ 4,444	\$ 163,975
31-3000-61510	Retirement	\$ 138,710	\$ 3,921	\$ 142,631
31-3000-61610	Health Insurance	\$ 686,266	\$16,975	\$ 703,241
31-3000-61620	Dental	\$ 19,639	\$ 647	\$ 20,286



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Mr. Gresens made a motion to accept the resolution. Supervisor Rynes seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED.

Ms. Sandoval explained the proposed position, the need for this position, and answered questions from the Board.

Resolution: Declaring Racism a Public Health Crisis

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2020 asserts that racism is a public health crisis affecting our entire society.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors advocates for policies that improve health in communities of color, eliminate health and opportunity gaps along racial lines, and increase the success of all groups by distributing resources justly across all communities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors will support local, state, and federal initiatives that advance social justice.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors encourages individual advocacy to dismantle systemic racism and recognizes that every Rock County employee is responsible for creating and maintaining a culture in which employees respect the diverse values, beliefs, and behaviors in the workforce and the community they serve.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors works to build alliances and partnerships with other organizations that are confronting racism, commits to engaging municipalities and institutions within the county to prioritize racial equity to address structural racism producing disparate population health outcomes, and encourages other local, state and national entities to recognize racism as a public health crisis.

Supervisor Rynes made a motion to accept the resolution. Supervisor Williams seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED.

Ms. Sandoval explained the racial health disparities in Rock County. Mr. Zupan provided further explanation. Supervisor Purviance added additional clarity regarding the purpose and intentions of the resolution. The resolution is in addition to work that has been done. It is the groundwork for future policy and potential funding.

Resolution: Waiver of Rock County Public Health License Renewal Fees for 2020

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors, duly assembled this ____ day of _____, 2020, does hereby have the Rock County Public Health Department waive or refund the 2020 license renewal fees for the establishments that would normally be charged, or were charged, a license renewal fee in 2020.

Supervisor Wilde made a motion to accept the resolution. Ms. Kolste seconded the motion.

Ms. Sandoval told the Board that the resolution was written by Supervisor Richard. Chair Peer asked Supervisor Richard to present the resolution. Supervisor Richard was unable to respond. Mr. Wietersen told the Board that the fiscal impact of this resolution as written would be approximately \$400,000. He explained that some of the facilities included in the resolution have been negatively impacted by COVID-19 and some have experienced additional business. He pointed out that there are other licensed facilities not included in the resolution. He said that some were eligible for emergency loans and some were not. He suggested that the Board may want to discuss whether a percentage of license fees or a full waiver would be more appropriate. He also brought up the question of where that money is going to come from to make up for lost Public Health Department revenue. Supervisor Rynes asked about percentages of who did or did not qualify for the emergency loans. She asked if it could be on a request basis. Dr. Winter suggested tabling the resolution to compile additional data. Mr. Wietersen asked what data the Board would like compiled. He said he could find out how many of the facilities qualify for and/or are receiving money from the county loan program. Ms. Kolste asked if there was a general fund that this money would be coming out of. Mr. Wietersen said it was not addressed in the resolution. He told the Board that the revenue is usually part of the Public Health Department budget. Chair Peer said that it is possible that the money could come from the general fund. Dr. Meyers asked about a grace period rather than a waiver of fees. Mr. Wietersen responded that they do have an extension to pay as late as October 31 without penalty. Fees are normally due by July 1.

Dr. Winter made a motion to table the resolution until the next meeting. Ms. Kolste seconded the motion.
MOTION APPROVED.

Communications and Announcements

None at this time.

Adjournment

Supervisor Wilde made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Rynes seconded the motion. MOTION APPROVED. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jessica Turner, Recorder
Not Official Until Approved by the Board of Health

**COMMITTEE REVIEW REPORT
WITH DESCRIPTION
FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2020**

Account Number	Account Name	PO#	Check Date	Vendor Name	Description	Inv/Enc Amt
31-3000-0000-63100	Office&Misc Exp	P2000167	06/18/2020	US BANK	OFFICE SUPPLIES	167.87
31-3000-0000-63101	Postage	P2000165	06/25/2020	UNITED PARCEL SERVICE	SHIPPING 6-9 - 6-11	119.76
31-3000-0000-63200	Pubs/Subs/Dues	P2000167	06/18/2020	US BANK	2020 APHA SUBSCRIPTION	225.00
		P2001393	06/04/2020	WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURA	2020 LAB CERT/REG FEES	1,332.00
31-3000-0000-64010	Lab Supplies	P2000056	06/25/2020	CULLIGAN WATER CONDITIONING IN	JUNE DEIONIZER RENTAL	35.00
31-3000-0000-64200	Training	P2000167	06/18/2020	US BANK	TRAINING EXPENSE	(109.00)
Public Health Department PROG TOTAL						1,770.63
31-3026-0000-64200	Training	P2000167	06/18/2020	US BANK	PREPAREDNESS TRAINING EXPENSE	(691.03)
Preparedness Grant PROG TOTAL						(691.03)

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I have reviewed the preceding payments in the total amount of **\$1,079.60**

Date: _____ Dept Head _____

Committee Chair _____

**COMMITTEE REVIEW REPORT
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Account Number	Account Name	PO#	Check Date	Vendor Name	Description	Inv/Enc Amt
31-3000-0000-62119	Other Services					
		P2000161	07/30/2020	JANESVILLE ANIMAL MEDICAL CENT	ANIMAL RABIES TESTING	93.00
		P2001075	07/30/2020	HEALTHCARE WASTE MANAGEMENT IN	MEDICAL WASTE DISPOSAL	109.80
31-3000-0000-63100	Office&Misc Exp					
		P2000167	07/16/2020	US BANK	OFFICE SUPPLIES	(7.91)
31-3000-0000-63101	Postage					
		P2000165	07/16/2020	UNITED PARCEL SERVICE	SHIPPING 7-1	37.63
31-3000-0000-63200	Pubs/Subs/Dues					
		P2000167	07/16/2020	US BANK	PUBLICATIONS/DUES	741.60
31-3000-0000-64010	Lab Supplies					
		P2000056	07/16/2020	CULLIGAN WATER CONDITIONING IN	DEIONIZER RENTAL 7/1 - 7/31	175.00
		P2000157	07/30/2020	HACH COMPANY	NITRATE TESTING SUPPLIES	1,279.47
		P2000159	07/16/2020	NORTH CENTRAL LABORATORIES OF	C12 TEST STRIPS & DELIVERY	80.80
		P2000167	07/16/2020	US BANK	LAB SUPPLIES	44.24
Public Health Department PROG TOTAL						2,553.63
31-3026-0000-64200	Training					
		P2000167	07/16/2020	US BANK	PREPAREDNESS TRAINING	(1,325.00)
31-3026-0000-64900	Other Expenses					
		P2000167	07/16/2020	US BANK	PREPAREDNESS SUPPLIES	5,103.34
		P2001521	07/30/2020	HALO BRANDED SOLUTIONS INC	SPORT TONAL BLEND MENS 1/4 ZIP	2,472.00
Preparedness Grant PROG TOTAL						6,250.34

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I have reviewed the preceding payments in the total amount of **\$8,803.97**

Date:

Dept Head _____

Committee Chair _____

RESOLUTION NO. _____

AGENDA NO. _____

**RESOLUTION
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

GROUNDWATER
NITRATE WORKGROUP
INITIATED BY

BOARD OF HEALTH AND
AND CONSERVATION
COMMITTEE
SUBMITTED BY



CHRISTOPHER NEWBERRY
DRAFTED BY

MARCH 16, 2020
DATE DRAFTED

Extending the Deadline for the Workgroup to Study the High Nitrates Levels
in Rock County's Groundwater

1 **WHEREAS**, the level of nitrates in Rock County's groundwater has increased over the past two decades
2 in private and public wells, with over 30% of the county wells exceeding the drinking water nitrate health
3 advisory of 10 mg/L; and,
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5 **WHEREAS**, the County Board of Supervisors passed resolution 17-5A-282 during their May 11, 2017
6 County Board meeting establishing a workgroup composed of the following representatives, Public
7 Health, Land Conservation, Planning and Development, UW Extension, a representative from the
8 Agricultural Service Sector, two at large County Board members and one Farmer currently working with
9 a research project overseen by UW-Discovery Farms to commence research on nitrate reduction strategies
10 that are available; and,
11

12 **WHEREAS**, the County Board of Supervisors passed resolution 17-11D-412 during their
13 November 16, 2017 County Board meeting extending the deadline of the workgroup until
14 December 31, 2020; and,
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16 **WHEREAS**, with the afore mentioned extension, the workgroup was to complete its tasks of compiling
17 existing well water nitrate data, evaluating nitrate sources, and researching groundwater nitrate reduction
18 initiatives and strategies being conducted in other parts of Wisconsin and the United States. After the
19 tasks were completed, the Workgroup was to make recommendations to the County Board regarding the
20 groundwater nitrate issues; and,
21

22 **WHEREAS**, after numerous meetings regarding the aforesaid tasks it was determined by the workgroup
23 that additional data from the pilot project and other locations within Rock County, are necessary to make
24 reasonable assessment of nitrate reduction strategies; and,
25

26 **WHEREAS**, the workgroup will not be able to meet the aforementioned deadline and requests the
27 County Board extend the existing deadline to December 31, 2025; and,
28

29 **WHEREAS**, the new deadline will allow the workgroup to continue developing, implementing,
30 monitoring and expand the small scale pilot projects to reduce nitrates in the groundwater through
31 implementation of Best Management Practices.
32

33 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Rock County Board of Supervisors in session this
34 _____ day of _____, 2020, approves the extension of the workgroup for the period of
35 December 2020 through December 2025 for the sole purpose of researching and developing
36 recommendations to decrease or reduce the rate of increase of nitrates entering Rock County's
37 Groundwater.

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Respectfully submitted:

BOARD OF HEALTH

Louis Peer, Chair

Dr. Connie Winter, DDS, Vice Chair

Doug Wilde

Shirley Williams

Danette Rynes

Eric Gresens, R. PH

Dr. Kaitlyn Meyers, DVM, MPH

Dr. Vijaya Somaraju, MD, MPH, FACP

Debra Kolste

LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

/s/ Richard Bostwick

Richard Bostwick, Chair

/s/ Alan Sweeney

Alan Sweeney, Vice Chair

/s/ Stephanie Aegerter

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/s/ Wes Davis

Wes Davis

/s/ Kaelyb Lokrantz

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/s/ Mike Mulligan

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/s/ James Quade

James Quade, USDA-FSA Representative

/s/ Jeremy Zajac

Jeremy Zajac

FISCAL NOTE:

Per County Board Rule IV-C, County Board Supervisors who are members of additional special, single purpose or ad hoc committees are eligible for per meeting allowances and mileage reimbursement. Citizen members of such committees shall be eligible for mileage reimbursement only.

/s/Sherry Oja

Sherry Oja
Finance Director

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.

/s/Josh Smith

Josh Smith
County Administrator

LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to §§ 59.01 & 59.51, Wis. Stats. Per County Board Rule IV-C., ad-hoc or single purpose board related committees may only be established with the approval of the County Board for specific purposes and term.

/s/ Richard Greenlee

Richard Greenlee
Corporation Counsel

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This resolution requests County Board approval to extend the deadline for the established Groundwater Nitrate Workgroup as per County Board Resolution 17-5A-282. The original deadline was set for December 31, 2017 and was extended in 2017 until December 31, 2020. The Land Conservation Committee and Board of Health along with the committees represented on the workgroup request the deadline be extended to December 31, 2025 to continue:

Obtaining necessary data from monitoring the groundwater at the nitrate reduction project located on the County farm and expand the project into other watersheds where data is required to make rational assessments;

The establishment of the Farmer Led Groundwater Group furthering the communication of BMPs to landowners throughout the county and whereby gaining additional data;

Develop a 9 Key Element Plan with the DNR to improve nitrate reduction strategies; and

Partnering with the NRCS to implement BMPs to reduce nitrates in groundwater through a newly acquired Source Water Protection Project in Turtle Creek watershed, along with a planned National Water Quality Initiative in the Southeast portion of the County and examining groundwater responses.

Continuation of the Workgroup will allow it to refine its recommendations of nitrate reduction in the County's groundwater aquifers.

The workgroup is currently meeting four to six times a year to review updates, appraise progress, and guide county departments on pending actions.