

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
April 2, 2018
Minutes

Members Present: Banas, Nolan, Louney, Tennis, and Sebolt

Members Absent: Koenig and Naeyaert

Others Present: Joy Gleason, Timothy Williams, Lori Noyer, Teri Morton, Liz Noel, and others.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Banas at 6:30 p.m. in Personnel Conference Room "D & E" of the Human Services Building, 5303 S. Cedar Street, Lansing, Michigan.

Approval of the March 19, 2018 Minutes

MOVED BY COMM. SEBOLT, SUPPORTED BY COMM. LOUNEY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 19, 2018 HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Absent: Commissioners Koenig and Naeyaert

Additions to the Agenda

None.

Removed from the Agenda –

4. Health Department
 - f. Resolution to Authorize Conversion of Nutrition Educator Positions

Limited Public Comment

None.

MOVED BY COMM. TENNIS, SUPPORTED BY COMM. NOLAN, TO APPROVE A CONSENT AGENDA CONSISTING OF THE FOLLOWING ACTION ITEMS:

3. Parks Department – Resolution to Authorize an Agreement with Comsource, Inc. for Radios at Hawk Island County Park
4. Health Department
 - a. Resolution to Authorize Amendment # 2 to the 2017-2018 Comprehensive Agreement with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services
 - b. Resolution to Accept Healthy! Capital Counties Funds

- c. Resolution to Authorize an Agreement with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality for FY 2018
- d. Resolution to Authorize Agreements with Licensed Dentists and Hygienists
- e. Resolution to Authorize an Agreement with University of Michigan-Flint for Implementation of the Engaged Father Program
- g. Resolution Honoring Nancy Sherd

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Absent: Commissioners Koenig and Naeyaert

THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Absent: Commissioners Koenig and Naeyaert

1. Fair Board – Interviews

Joy Gleason interviewed for a position on the Fair Board.

Timothy Williams interviewed for a position on the Fair Board.

2. Health Services Millage – Presentation of 2017 Annual Report from Ingham Health Plan Corporation

Lori Noyer, Ingham Health Plan Corporation (IHPC) Executive Director, introduced herself and presented the report.

Chairperson Banas asked if Ms. Noyer had heard anything about how President Trump's stance on immigration might affect health care and whether immigrants would have continued access to federal funding.

Ms. Noyer stated she had not heard anything about access to federal funding.

Discussion.

Ms. Noyer stated states had been impacted differently by the discussions at the federal level. She further stated that the decrease in Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) funding did not affect Michigan as much as it had other states.

Ms. Noyer continued presenting the report.

Commissioner Nolan stated she appreciated how Ms. Noyer's report drilled down the statistics by ZIP Code.

Discussion.

Commissioner Nolan stated she also liked the community partner enrollment data that was included in the report. She further stated that she was impressed that the second-highest enrollment was at the Allen Neighborhood Center, who the County had stopped paying to do the work, but they continued to be a huge partner in enrolling for IHPC for them, for free.

Commissioner Nolan stated she would like to find some way to pay the Allen Neighborhood Center back for their enrollments, because the County used to pay them.

Ms. Noyer stated there had been a period of time in which there were enrollment dollars available, and then those dollars had stopped. She further stated that the Health Department had the Medicaid match mechanism, where they were able to draw down funds to support Medicaid activities, whereas that mechanism did not exist for non-Health Department entities.

Ms. Noyer stated she would like to see if IHPC could partner with the Health Department, to see if they would be willing to run that Medicaid match program for IHPC and use the funds to help supplement IHPC.

Chairperson Banas asked if IHPC was able to advertise on CATA buses, or other places to catch people that made \$16,000 per year.

Ms. Noyer stated there were no restrictions IHPC had for advertising.

Chairperson Banas stated she wondered if there were marketing funds available for those purposes. She further stated it also sounded like IHPC was doing outreach with the bilingual part-time enrollment person.

Ms. Noyer continued presenting the report.

Discussion.

Commissioner Tennis stated in looking at the figures presented, the total medical charge was \$3.5 million, and the total paid was about \$500,000. He asked what the total Ingham Health Plan (IHP) membership was, and if it was much more than the 1100 millage-eligible folks.

Ms. Noyer stated the bridge individuals on IHP were an additional 550 people.

Commissioner Tennis asked why the County was not paying a greater share of the costs to be proportionate, since the millage-eligible members were about 70% of the clients, the County should pay more than \$500,000 of the cost for services. He further stated the County had put \$1 million into the millage, because that was the amount that the Committee had been told would be sufficient to pay for the millage-eligible individuals' services.

Commissioner Tennis stated he had never seen the number of \$3.5 million for a combination of medical services before. He further stated that they had been told the total usage in 2016 was about \$600,000, but if millage-eligible services cost \$3.5 million, then the Board of Commissioners would have to have a conversation about the use of millage dollars.

Discussion.

Commissioner Tennis asked Ms. Noyer if she could clarify those costs from the report. He stated there might be a difference between what had been charged and what was reimbursed to providers.

Ms. Noyer stated she knew IHPC was paying the Medicare rate to providers, which was more than the Medicaid rate. She further stated that the \$500,000 amount might be associated with the \$1 million cap set by the millage.

Commissioner Tennis stated the reason the Board of Commissioners set the cap at \$1 million was because that was what they had been told the costs were. He further stated if the cost was higher than \$1 million, then the Board of Commissioners would want to talk about revisiting the cap.

Chairperson Banas stated part of what Commissioner Tennis might be asking for is to change the way IHPC accounted for the itemized services, so see if it compared to what had been presented in past years.

Discussion.

Ms. Noyes stated since she had become Executive Director and another staff member had left, she and the other staff person's successor were taking the opportunity to examine the operations and find additional efficiencies in IHPC.

Chairperson Banas asked Ms. Noyes to come back and report the findings of their internal examination to the Committee when it was completed.

Ms. Noyer stated she and Jared Cypher, Deputy Controller, had discussed having her report to the Committee on a quarterly basis to provide information to the Committee.

Commissioner Sebolt stated that Ms. Noyer had reported that there were about 1600 people enrolled in IHP as of March 31, 2018. He asked if she knew how many of those individuals were millage-eligible, because he noticed there was a slight increase from last year's numbers, and he was interested if there was an increase happening.

Ms. Noyer stated she did not know how many of those 1600 individuals were millage-eligible, as she was relying on IT to run her reports and had not realized she wanted that breakdown of IHP members until the last minute.

Commissioner Nolan thanked Ms. Noyer for the concise summary.

Discussion.

Chairperson Banas asked how many employees IHPC currently had.

Ms. Noyer stated IHPC had eight employees.

Chairperson Banas asked if Ms. Noyer included herself in the eight employees, and what the staff size had decreased from.

Ms. Noyer stated there had been 12 IHPC employees at one point.

Chairperson Banas asked if IHPC was able to maintain business flow with the smaller staff size, and if IHPC was looking at certain efficiencies to see if there were programs that were no longer needed.

Ms. Noyer stated IHPC was able to maintain business flow and they were examining efficiencies.

Discussion.

Chairperson Banas stated Ms. Noyer could send a memo to the Committee with answers to the questions Commissioners had posed.

Announcements

Commissioner Nolan stated she would like to see a future agenda item on reviewing the criteria for the Trails and Parks Millage, to make sure it represented what the Committee wanted to see.

Discussion.

Commissioner Nolan stated she thought when the Parks Commission put in hours to evaluate applications, the Committee should have a little more input on the criteria.

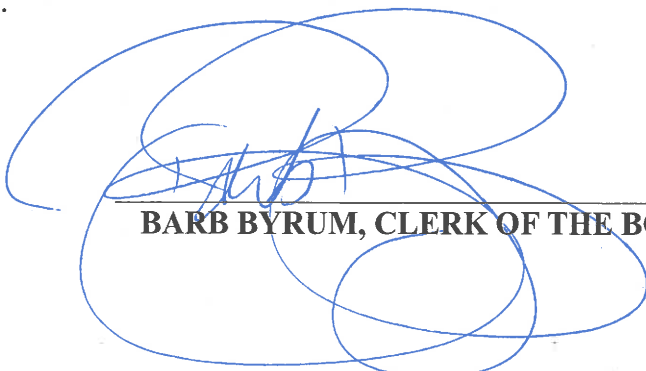
Chairperson Banas stated she had thought the Committee could revisit the Trails and Parks Millage application criteria after this round of applications was over.

Public Comment

None.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.



BARB BYRUM, CLERK OF THE BOARD

