

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
November 5, 2018
Draft Minutes

Members Present: Sebolt, Morgan, Tennis, and Banas

Members Absent: Nolan and Naeyaert

Others Present: Hope Lovell, Amy Fountain, Daphine Whitfield, Katreva Bisbee, Robert Start, Ramona Borowicz, Melissa Buzzard, Linda Vail, Jared Cypher, Lindsey LaForte, and others.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Banas at 6:33 p.m. in Personnel Conference Room "D & E" of the Human Services Building, 5303 S. Cedar Street, Lansing, Michigan.

Approval of the October 15, 2018 Minutes

MOVED BY COMM. SEBOLT, SUPPORTED BY COMM. TENNIS, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 15, 2018 HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING.

Chairperson Banas stated that without objection the minutes would be amended as follows:

Commissioner Morgan asked about ~~capability~~ **culpability** of the contractor or subcontractor in this case.

THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES, AS AMENDED, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Absent: Commissioners Nolan and Naeyaert.

Additions to the Agenda

Substitute –

2. Community Agencies – Resolution Authorizing 2019 Agreements for Community Agencies

Limited Public Comment

None.

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

3. MSU Extension – Resolution to Authorize an Agreement for Michigan State University Extension Services Between Michigan State University and Ingham County Approving the Annual Work Plan for 2019
4. Parks Department – Resolution to Renew the Agreement with Spicer Group to Provide Consulting Services to and Assist the Ingham County Parks Staff with the Delivery of Certain Millage Related Items
5. Health Department
 - a. Resolution to Authorize Amendment #1 to the 2018-2019 Comprehensive Agreement with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services
 - b. Resolution to Authorize an Agreement with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality for 2018-2019
 - d. Resolution to Extend Kresge Agreement & Contract with Anker Elektra LLC

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Absent: Commissioners Nolan and Naeyaert.

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

1. Health Center Board – Interviews

Hope Lovell interviewed for a position on the Health Center Board.

Ramona Borowicz interviewed for a position on the Health Center Board.

Katreva Bisbee interviewed for a position on the Health Center Board.

Daphine Whitfield interviewed for a position on the Health Center Board.

Amy Fountain interviewed for a position on the Health Center Board.

Robert Stark interviewed for a position on the Health Center Board.

MOVED BY COMM. TENNIS, SUPPORTED BY COMM. SEBOLT, TO APPOINT ALL OF THE INTERVIEWEES TO THE HEALTH CENTER BOARD AND WAIVE THE RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR HOPE LOVELL, KATREVA BISBEE, AND RAMONA BOROWICZ.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Absent: Commissioners Nolan and Naeyaert.

2. Community Agencies – Resolution Authorizing 2019 Agreements for Community Agencies

MOVED BY COMM. SEBOLT, SUPPORTED BY COMM. TENNIS, TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION.

Chairperson Banas stated that the Board of Commissioners prioritizes funding for agencies that “Meet Basic Needs,” such as food, clothing, and shelter. She further stated that the total recommended funding was \$8,550 above what was budgeted.

Chairperson Banas stated that the additional funds would come from the 2019 contingency fund. She asked the community agencies present to stand and announce their agency if they were satisfied with the funding.

Representatives from the following agencies announced their support:

YMCA of Lansing
Lansing Area AIDS Network
Capital Area Housing - Tuesday Toolmen
Haven House
Mid-Michigan Recovery Services
Lansing Homeless Network
Advent House
Capital Area Housing - Ballentine
Advent House Ministries, Inc.
Rural Family Services of Ingham County
RSVP of Ingham, Clinton, Eaton Counties
Edgewood Village Non-Profit Housing Corp
St. Vincent Catholic Charities
Northwest Initiative
Listening Ear
Leslie Outreach
Gateway Community Services
MSU Safe Place

Chairperson Banas thanked the community agencies for coming.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Absent: Commissioners Nolan and Naeyaert.

5. Health Department
 - c. Resolution to Establish a Trust and Agency Account for the Mason Capital Area Prescription Drug Task Force

MOVED BY COMM. TENNIS, SUPPORTED BY COMM. SEBOLT, TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION.

Chairperson Banas asked for a description of the Mason Area Prescription Drug Task Force.

Linda Vail, Health Officer, stated that this had been something ongoing in Mason under the former Police Chief and with a change in leadership they ask for additional help in running the

program. She further stated that the program had received a large grant to help purchase Naloxone.

Chairperson Banas asked if this program worked county-wide.

Ms. Vail stated that the Mason Area Prescription Drug Task Force did work county-wide, but had more of a focus in the Mason Area.

Chairperson Banas asked if they worked with the county task force at all.

Ms. Vail stated that they did attend each other's meetings to coordinate at times. She further stated that the Naloxone grant was especially helpful and it made it possible to get Naloxone into the hands of more law enforcement.

Ms. Vail stated that that medication was not cheap, so this was very helpful. She further stated that Mason had put together a public service announcement video.

Ms. Vail stated that the video was put together by the youth and it showed additional information about the program.

Chairperson Banas stated that perhaps the Youth Commission could be involved in this project.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Absent: Commissioners Nolan and Naeyaert.

Announcements

Commissioner Tennis stated that his firm represents the Michigan Association of YMCAs, of which, the Lansing YMCA was a member.

Public Comment

Elaine Herey, YMCA of Lansing, thanked the Committee for their ongoing support for the YMCA of Lansing over the years. She further stated that she had been coming to the meetings for many years and watched the agony of funding these programs.

Ms. Herey stated that she, as an advocate for the Y Achievers program, wanted to remind people that this organization was the premier latch key organization in the United States. She further stated that the mission work that the YMCA does through the Y Achievers program was important.

Ms. Herey stated that the program was geared toward children of color to encourage high school graduation and college after. She further stated that they were the only YMCA that has a 100% graduation rate.

Ms. Herey stated that this work was important. She further stated that she understood that basic needs are critical needs, but before the economic crisis there was a caveat that the County would support youth needs in addition to basic needs which helped to foster youth development.

Ligia Romero, Lansing Area AIDS Network, stated that she wanted to thank the Committee for the grant and happy that other agencies were also funded. She further stated that the agencies work together so often that the funding for others helps them also.

Ms. Romero stated that the Lansing Area AIDS network worked with other agencies to provide bus, food, and more to provide wrap around services.

Monica Sanchez, Listening Ear Crisis Center, stated that she also did a lot of advocacy work with the youth, foster and adoption and residential services. She further stated that she wanted to thank the Committee for considering those communities as well.

Ms. Sanchez stated that she also recommend that in addition to basic needs, youth development funding was also important.

Commissioner Tennis stated that he remembered when the County used to fund community agencies well over \$200,000. He further stated that he remembered the words of Commissioner Grebner that no money was more valuable than this.

Commissioner Tennis stated that he would like to look to fund at a higher level next year. He further stated that the County had served more groups in the past and no some no longer come to ask for the funding.

Commissioner Tennis asked stated that education and youth development and not actually basic needs, but maybe it was time to open that up again.

Chairperson Banas stated that she totally agreed with Commissioner Tennis. She further stated that there was a need for additional support for youth in the community and it was worth it.

Chairperson Banas stated that she was very sensitive youth in foster care and after school programs which helped keep children safe and fed and helped educate to the youth. She further stated that she was supportive of funding that.

Commissioner Morgan stated that there was a balance of service and politics and after tomorrow hopefully things will look a shade brighter for those in the community. He encouraged everyone to vote.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:07 p.m.



BARB BYRUM, CLERK OF THE BOARD

