

# TODD COUNTY HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

*Minutes of the Meeting of the Health & Human Services Meeting*

*February 25, 2014*

## **Call to Order**

The Todd County Board of Commissioners met in the Todd County Historic Courthouse in the City of Long Prairie MN on the 25th day of February 25, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. with all members present. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **Approval of Agenda**

On motion by Neumann and second by Kircher, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the agenda as presented with the following addition:

1. Rainbow Rider Discussion

## **Approval of Minutes**

On motion by Erickson and second by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the January 28, 2014 minutes as read.

## **General**

Mike Steinbeisser and Kim Decock, Adult/Disability Services Unit Managers gave an update on the MnCHOICES. The launch date for this program is in August, 2014. Training has been done with Step 1 and Step 2 and the County is still waiting from the State for Step 3.

Lisa Chapin, Financial Support Services Unit Manager reported on the MNSure Update. The County currently has 220 cases enrolled in MNSure. This is a 26% increase.

On motion by Kircher and second by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To assign Randy Neumann as the second Commissioner for the MTW Community Health Board temporarily until the newly elected Commissioner is in place.

Phil Johnson, Energy Assistance Supervisor gave an update on the Energy Assistance Program. Crisis Assistance has increased due to the propane prices increasing. Vendors have been great to work with during this time. Phil also held discussion regarding the MN Rental Deferred Program.

Katherine Mackedanz gave an update on the Drug-Free Communities Grant. \$125,000.00 is available through this grant and she will be working on writing this grant. This additional grant money would make it possible to work with other communities in addition to Long Prairie-Grey Eagle and Browerville which they are working with now. If this money is granted to Todd County, it would make this possible through the year 2019.

Alicia Bauman, Program Coordinator for CentraCare Health Systems, gave a presentation on the increasing availability of tobacco products now. 1 in 7 MN high school students have tried snus with 9 out of 10 current smokers that started before the age of 18. Nearly 30% of high school student have tried flavored cigars or cigarillos (MDH). Ever use of e-cigarettes among high school students doubled from

2011 to 2012 (CDC). They are asking the County to assist in policy communication, signage and implementation of activities throughout our community.

Discussion was held regarding the increased service that have provided by Rainbow Rider. They have not been reimbursed for by MNDOT over the last 10 years, which finds that they have ended fiscal year 2013 in a deficit. On February 20, 2014 Rainbow Rider Transit Board passed a motion to inform each county of their 2013 budget deficit as well as the projected 2014 budget deficit and they intend to have each county make up the shortfalls. The Commissioners asked that Harold Jennissen, Transit Director attend the next Commissioner Meeting March 18, 2014 for more information.

**Social Services Fund Warrants**

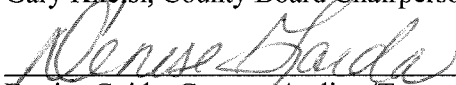
On a motion by Neumann and second by Kircher the following motion was approved by unanimous vote: To recommend to the County Board the approval of all claims as presented on the Integrated and Disbursements Audit List for the Board on record at the Social Service Office, Courthouse Annex, representing claims in the amount of \$105,486.16.

On a motion by Neumann and second by Kircher the following motion was approved by unanimous vote: To recommend to the County Board the approval of all claims as presented on the Integrated and Disbursements Audit List for the Board on record at the Social Service Office, Courthouse Annex, representing claims in the amount of \$147,507.58.

On a motion by Neumann and second by Erickson the meeting was adjourned for the month of February, 2014.

On a motion by Kircher and second by Neumann the preceding minutes of the Health & Human Services Meeting held February 25, 2014 were duly approved by a unanimous vote by the Todd County Board of Commissioners at the Social Service Board Meeting held on March 25, 2014.

  
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Gary Kneisl, County Board Chairperson

  
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Denise Gaida, County, Auditor/Treasurer