

MINUTES HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

DATE: Thursday, March 26, 2026
TIME: 5:00 PM
PLACE: Edgewater Haven Nursing Home – Conference Rm

MEMBERS PRESENT: Donna Rozar, Tom Buttke, John Hokamp, Lee Thao, Laura Valenstein, Marie Topping, Rachel Stankowski, Leslie Kronstedt

MEMBER EXCUSED: Dr. Tim Golemgski

OTHERS PRESENT: Trent Miner, County Clerk; See attached sign-in list.

1. Chair Rozar called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM and declared a quorum present.
2. There were no public comments.
3. Motion by Buttke/Thao to go into closed session pursuant to 19.85 (1) (c) and (e) Wis. Stats., to conduct interview(s) of candidate(s) for the Health Officer position and to discuss qualifications of the candidate(s). Motion carried unanimously.
4. Motion by Valenstein/Hokamp to return to open session. Motion carried unanimously.
5. The consent agenda was reviewed and items discussed. Motion by Hokamp/Stankowski to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
6. Norwood Administrator Kornack reviewed the current status of the water system replacement. Initial drawings are expected, hopefully next month.
7. Kornack reported that the Norwood medical director, Dr. Moldysz, is retiring and that the current courtesy medical director, Dr. Greenberg, is willing to step in as the active medical director. Motion by Topping/Thao to approve Dr. Greenberg as the medical director for Norwood. Motion carried unanimously.
8. Human Services Director Vruwink reported that Inclusa will not contract directly with the county transportation program as of March 31st, and instead, the county will have to apply through a third-party entity, MTM, to provide services. There have been issues reported to the state concerning this entity, and because of this, the new start date has been pushed back to May 31st. Vruwink will keep the committee apprised of any changes to the transportation model currently being used.

9. Vruwink shared a letter from Wisconsin Dept. of Children & Families commending the Wood County Human Services Dept. on exceptional performance in completing and documenting case worker contacts for children in out-of-home care. In 2025, Wood County achieved a performance rating of 99.74%, one of the top scores in the state. The committee extends its congratulations and appreciation to all employees involved in this effort.
10. Vruwink presented the 2027-2031 CIP for Human Services. Motion by Valenstein/Topping to approve the 2027-2031 CIP for Human Services. Motion carried unanimously.
11. Edgewater Haven Administrator Cielewicz presented the 2027-2031 CIP for that facility. Motion by Stankowski/Thao to approve the 2027-2031 CIP for Edgewater Haven. Motion carried unanimously.
12. Norwood Maintenance Supervisor Ackerman and Administrator Kornack reviewed the 2027-2031 CIP for Norwood. Motion by Buttke/Hokamp to approve the 2027-2031 Norwood CIP. Motion carried unanimously.
13. Vruwink discussed legislative changes as it relates to backfilling the federal dollars lost with state dollars for the SNAP Program, as well as other issues within the program. Veterans Service Officer Larson reported on various veterans' changes happening in the legislature at the moment.
14. Motion by Buttke/Hokamp to go into closed session pursuant to Wis Stats 19.85(1)(f) to consider leave of absence request. Motion carried unanimously.
15. Motion by Thao/Valenstein to return to open session. Motion carried unanimously.
16. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, April 30, 2026, at 5:00 PM at the Wood County Annex & Health Center.
17. The committee recognized, thanked, and congratulated Supervisor Hokamp on his 6 years of service on the committee as this will be his last meeting before stepping down from the county board.
18. Chair Rozar declared the meeting adjourned at 6:54 PM.

Minutes taken by Trent Miner, County Clerk, and are in draft form until approved at the next meeting.

