

MINUTES

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

DATE: Thursday, August 27, 2026
TIME: 5:00 PM
PLACE: Wood County Annex & Health Center - Classroom

MEMBERS PRESENT: Donna Rozar, Tom Buttke, Linda Casper, Lee Thao, Laura Valenstein, Marie Topping, Rachel Stankowski, Dr. Tim Golemgieski (WebEx)

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. The consent agenda was reviewed and items discussed. Motion by Thao/Valenstein to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Rozar informed the group that interviews for the vacant committee position will occur at next months meeting.
5. Public Health Administrative Specialist Mancl, along with Director Smith, presented the 2027 budget to the committee, reviewing the cuts in federal program dollars and how that affected the overall budget. Motion by Buttke/Valenstein to approve the Health Dept. budgets as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
6. Norwood Administrator Kornack stated the plumbing portion of the water replacement plan has been reviewed by the state with the next portion of the plan being reviewed on October 20th.
7. Kornack reported on the progress of the operational efficiencies that were discussed at the previous meetings and reviewed the plan to outsource some services at the end of September.
8. The Human Services budgets were reviewed by Director Vruwink, Administrator Cielewicz, and Administrator Kornack. Cuts to staffing and programs were made in the Human Services Community budget in order to come in close to the parameter. Kornack noted that the congregate meal contract with ADRC is coming due, and that because of the operational efficiencies noted in previous months, parameters were met in the Norwood budget. Motion by Valenstein/Thao to approve the Human Services budgets as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
9. Veterans Service Officer Larson reviewed the 2027 Veterans budgets. He noted the vacancy in his office and how personnel costs will be lower in 2027 that they would

have been because of this. Motion by Valenstein/Buttke to approve the Veterans budgets as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Motion by Buttke/Topping to go into closed session pursuant to 19.85(1)(f) Wis. Stats to consider a leave of absence request. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Motion by Thao/Casper to return to open session. Motion carried unanimously.

12. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, September 24, 2026, at 5:00 PM at Edgewater Haven Nursing Home in Port Edwards

13. Chair Rozar declared the meeting adjourned at 6:34 PM.

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

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