



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, July 27, 2004

Council Session

Item G1

Approving Minutes of July 12, 2004 City Council Joint Meeting

The Minutes of July 12, 2004 City Council Joint Meeting are submitted for approval. See attached MINUTES.

Staff Contact: RaNae Edwards

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA

MINUTES OF JOINT CITY/COUNTY SPECIAL MEETING

July 12, 2004

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Special Joint Meeting of the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, the Hall County Board of Supervisors, the Hamilton County Board of Commissioners, the Merrick County Board of Commissioners, and the Central District Health Department was conducted in the Community Meeting Room of City Hall, 100 East First Street, on July 12, 2004. Notice of the meeting was given in the Grand Island Independent on July 6, 2004.

Teresa Anderson, Executive Director of the Central Health District called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following Health Board members were present: Bob Husmann, Anne Buettner, Dr. Jeff Clarke, and Jim Reed – County Representative, Jim Eriksen, and Mitch Nickerson – City Representative. The following Merrick County Supervisor was present: Rex Weller. The following City Officials were present: Councilmembers Margaret Hornady, Scott Walker, Mitch Nickerson, Jackie Pielstick, Joyce Haase and Peg Gilbert, Mayor Jay Vavricek, City Administrator Gary Greer, City Clerk RaNae Edwards, and Finance Director David Springer.

PRESENTATION BY TERESA ANDERSON EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: Ms. Anderson presented a PowerPoint presentation highlighting the core functions of the Health Department which were assessment, assurance and policy.

The following 10 essential services were reviewed:

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| 1.) Monitor | 6.) Enforce |
| 2.) Diagnose & Investigate | 7.) Link |
| 3.) Inform, Educate & Empower | 8.) Assure |
| 4.) Mobilize | 9.) Evaluate |
| 5.) Develop Policies & Plans | 10.) Research |

Presented were the budget, programming and staff overviews. Several areas covered were: nursing, environmental, water testing, immunization, WIC, HIV/Aids Testing & Education, Child Care Solution, and Health Education.

The following were listed at “hot issues” for the next fiscal year:

- West Nile Virus
- Lifestyle Related Illnesses
- Environmental Tobacco Smoke

- Preparedness & Response (Bioterrorism)
- Contagious Diseases
- Comprehensive Community Assessment
- Strategic Plan

Ms. Anderson stated that a 211 directory line for public health issues would be available by the end of July 2004 for Hall, Howard, Hamilton, and Merrick counties.

DISCUSSION: Discussion was had concerning the roles of the Health Department and Code Enforcement toward enforcing health issues. Ryan King, Assistant Executive Director mentioned that they were currently spraying for mosquitoes in the breeding areas. It was stated the Ms. Anderson and Ryan King would pursue the smoking ban issue.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

RaNae Edwards
City Clerk