



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, July 25, 2006

Council Session

Item G2

Approving Minutes of July 13, 2006 City Council Joint Meeting

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA

MINUTES OF JOINT CITY/COUNTY SPECIAL MEETING

July 13, 2006

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 13, 2006. Notice of the meeting was given in *The Grand Island Independent* on July 6, 2006.

Teresa Anderson, Executive Director of the Central District Health Department called the meeting to order at 8:10 p.m. The following people were present: Health Board member Anne Buettner; County Representative Jim Eriksen; City Representative Mitch Nickerson; Hall County Supervisor Jim Eriksen; Councilmember's Margaret Hornady, Mitch Nickerson, Jackie Pielstick, Joyce Haase, Carole Cornelius, Peg Gilbert, Mayor Jay Vavricek, 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. Mentioned were the 2005/2006 accomplishments, strategic planning, mission statement, community assessment, ongoing programs, financial considerations, staffing changes, and special projects. Board and staff strategic plans were presented.

The following goals of the Central District Health Department were presented:

- Improve the quality of life of our community
- Promote visibility and viability
- Support professional and organizational growth

The following ongoing programs were presented: WIC, Immunization, Child Care Solution, Kids Connection/PHN Program, School Nursing, Safe Kids, Environmental, Water Testing, and West Nile Virus Surveillance.

Reviewed were the financial considerations, revenue sources, and expenses. Additional staff had been added including: an Environmental Health Specialist and Community Health Educator funded by LB 1060 funds; Administrative Secretaries (1.5) funded by Pandemic and/or Existing Funds; and Peer Counselors for Breast Feeding Program fund by WIC Grant.

The following Special Projects were presented:

- Automated External Defibrillators
- Promotora Program
- Breastfeeding Peer Counselor Program
- Mom (Mission of Mercy)
- Epidemiology and Surveillance NEDSS (National Electronic Disease Surveillance System)
- Pandemic Flu Preparation – PPCC (Pandemic Preparedness Coordinating Committee)

DISCUSSION: David Springer, Finance Director stated it was recommended that the Health Department would do better if they had their own health insurance and not go through the city.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

RaNae Edwards
City Clerk