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**AGENDA  
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES BOARD**

**Conference Room 5  
Courthouse Annex  
1462 Strongs Avenue, Stevens Point**

**MONDAY, August 6, 2018  
2:30 p.m.**

2:30 p.m. ROLL CALL – All meetings of this Board are open to the public and in compliance with state statutes. Notice of the meeting was sent to the press in an attempt to make the general public of Wisconsin aware of the time, place, and agenda of the meeting.

- I. MINUTES, GENERAL REPORTS, AND COMMENTS
  - A. Approval of Meeting Minutes of Health and Human Services Board for July 23, 2018
  - B. Correspondence
  - C. Director's Report
  - D. Members of the Public Who Wish to Address the Board on Specific Agenda Items must Register Their Request at this Time, with Such Comments Subject to the Reasonable Control of the Board Chair as Set Forth in Robert's Rules of Orders
- II. PROGRAM ISSUES
  - A. Discussion/Possible Action on Resolution Regarding for the Placement of an Advisory Referendum Question on the Use of Medical Marijuana on the November 6, 2018 Ballot
- III. NEXT MEETING: August 13, 2018 – 4:30 p.m. Public Hearing  
August 13, 2018 - 5:15 p.m. Board Meeting
- IV. ADJOURNMENT

P.S. If Board members cannot attend the meeting, please call Ray or Dawn at 715-345-5350.

**A quorum of the Portage County Board of Supervisors, or any committee thereof, may be present at this meeting. If anyone wants information regarding an agenda topic, call the Director at 715-345-5700.**

**Any person who has special needs and plans on attending this meeting should contact the Portage County Health and Human Services Department as soon as possible to ensure that reasonable accommodations can be made. Telephone 715-345-5350.**

**MINUTES  
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES BOARD  
July 23, 2018**

Present:

Bob Gifford  
Gerry Zastrow  
Jeanne Dodge  
Jim Clark  
Chris Doubek  
Dave Medin  
Joseph Jarabek

Excused:

Donna Warzynski

Absent:

Chai Moua

Also Present: Ray Przybelski, Director; Dawn Grasamkee, Recording Secretary; Gary Garske, Health Officer; Mindy McCord, Assistant to the County Executive;; and Joe Bachman, Portage County Gazette.

The meeting was brought to order by Mr. Doubek at 4:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL – a quorum was present and the meeting was properly posted.

Board members and staff present introduced themselves to the each other.

I. MINUTES, GENERAL REPORTS, AND COMMENTS

A. Approval of the Meeting Minutes of the Health and Human Services Board for July 9, 2018

A motion was made by Mr. Gifford with a second by Mr. Medin to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

B. Correspondence

Mr. Przybelski stated he received correspondence from Chairman Haga regarding an advisory referendum to legalize marijuana, either for recreational or medical purposes or both. An email was received from a citizen stating they believe medical marijuana should be legalized. Mr. Przybelski stated due to the time constraints regarding getting a referendum question on the ballot, a special meeting would need to occur in order to take action on this item. Discussion occurred and it was decided to delay the issue for now until further information and discussion can occur.

C. Director's Report

Mr. Przybelski informed the Board the County Executive requested the budget process be an open discussion. An update will be presented at the next meeting regarding the progress of the budget.

D. Members of the Public Who Wish to Address the Board on Specific Agenda Items must Register Their Request at this Time with Such Comments Subject to the Reasonable Control of the Board Chair as Set Forth in Robert's Rules of Order

No members of the public wished to address any specific agenda items.

II. FISCAL ISSUES

A. Discussion/Action to Authorize Resolution: Authorization for 2018 Budget Adjustment for Child Care Services for Children in the Child Welfare System

Mr. Przybelski stated this resolution follows the fiscal directive for a budget adjustment. The State rule changed regarding the Wisconsin Shares program and the application date. Before when a child was placed, the payments were back dated to the 1<sup>st</sup> of that month. The change now states that kinship/relative must receive payment first in order to be eligible for Wisconsin Shares. The eligibility paperwork can take weeks resulting in higher costs to the agency or the foster provider which is not covered in the rate paid. A relative placement can take from 3 to 6 weeks to process due to the necessity of gathering information such as background checks. The expenses will be increased by \$14,000. A motion was made by Mr. Gifford with a second by Mr. Medin to approve the resolution. Motion carried.

B. Discussion/Action to Add TB Screen/Review for the 2018 Fee Schedule

Mr. Przybelski stated this fee is a new fee. This is primarily for groups of employees. Instead of doing a skin test, a review will be conducted. The cost would be \$7 per screen/review. A motion was made by Ms. Dodge with a second by Mr. Gifford to approve the fee schedule addition. Motion carried.

C. Discussion/Review of June 2018 Voucher Report

Mr. Przybelski stated the vouchers were emailed to Board members. There were no unusual expenses. Mr. Zastrow questioned the payment to the City of Stevens Point. Mr. Przybelski stated this is for bus passes for clients. The amount is for a two month period of time.

III. REPORTS FROM BOARD APPOINTED COMMITTEES/ACTIVITIES

A. May Go Into Closed Session Pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(f) to Consider Cases Which Involve Social or Personal Histories of Specific Persons Which If Discussed in Public Would Be Likely to Have a Substantial Adverse Effect upon the Person's Reputation

The Board entered closed session on a motion from Ms. Dodge and a second by Mr. Zastrow. A roll call vote was taken with all voting aye.

B. Return to Open Session (If Necessary)

The Board returned to open session on a motion from Mr. Gifford and second by Mr. Zastrow.

IV. PERSONAL ISSUES

A. Discussion/Information on Position Refills

Mr. Przybelski stated there is a vacant Economic Support position.

V. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is August 13 at the Annex in conference rooms 1 and 2. The public hearing regarding the budget will start at 4:30 p.m. with the regular meeting to be held starting at 5:15 p.m.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Submitted by:

Dawn Grasamkee, Recording Secretary

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

TO: THE HONORABLE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE PORTAGE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

RE: AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PLACEMENT OF AN ADVISORY REFERENDUM QUESTION ON THE USE OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA ON THE NOVEMBER 6, 2018 BALLOT

WHEREAS, Wisconsin is suffering from an "opioid epidemic" with over 800 overdose deaths reported last year alone, nearly 10 times as many as were reported in just 2000 (81); and

WHEREAS, research shows cannabis is an effective option for pain management and states that legalize its use see opioid prescriptions, usage, and abuse plummet; and

WHEREAS, 59 percent of Wisconsinites in a 2016 poll said that cannabis should be "fully legalized and regulated like alcohol," and recent polls show a majority of Americans favor legalization of adult recreational use of cannabis; and

WHEREAS, thirty (30) states have legalized medicinal cannabis; and

WHEREAS, neighbors of Wisconsin have either decriminalized or legalized possession, or will likely be doing so in the near future, including Minnesota, Michigan, Canada, and Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the federal Food and Drug Administration has now approved the first ever cannabis-derived treatment for epilepsy; and

WHEREAS, seven (7) other Wisconsin counties have approved a similar referendum for their November ballots including Marathon, Milwaukee, Dane, Brown, Rock, La Crosse, and Sauk; and

WHEREAS, nearly half of Wisconsin will likely be voting on this issue this November; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Portage County deserve to have an equal chance to express their opinion on this subject; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin State Statute 59.52(25) allows for a county board to conduct a county-wide referendum for advisory purposes.

FISCAL NOTE: The financial impact of passing this resolution is not known at this time.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Portage County Board of Supervisors endorses and approves the Portage County Health and Human Services Board's recommendation to conduct the following county-wide advisory referendum as part of the November 6, 2018, election, authorizes and approves the following Notice of Advisory Referendum required by Wis. Stat. §10.01(2)(c) and the referendum question set forth within that Notice, and directs the clerk to perform all necessary administrative functions to execute this resolution and to include this advisory referendum question on the November 6, 2018, election ballot:

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**NOTICE OF ADVISORY REFERENDUM  
PORTAGE COUNTY**

By law, the electors of Portage County shall consider the following advisory referendum question in the election of November 6, 2018.

Question: Should the State of Wisconsin allow individuals with debilitating medical conditions to use and safely access marijuana for medical [treatment] purposes, if those individuals have a written [treatment] recommendation from a licensed Wisconsin physician?

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

**EXPLANATION**

**YES VOTE**

A "YES" vote means that you want the state to allow people with debilitating medical conditions to use and access marijuana for treatment of those medical conditions so long as those people have a written recommendation from a physician supporting marijuana use and access for treatment purposes.

**NO VOTE**

A "NO" vote means that you do not want the state to allow people with debilitating medical conditions to use and access marijuana for treatment of those medical conditions even if those people have a written recommendation from a physician supporting marijuana use and access for treatment purposes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution and the referendum question shall be filed with the Portage County Clerk no later than 70 days prior to the November 6, 2018, election at which the advisory referendum question will appear on the ballot.

DATED THIS 15<sup>TH</sup> OF AUGUST, 2018

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

PORTAGE COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES BOARD

Date: August 6, 2018

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