

City of Racine

*City Hall
730 Washington Ave.
Racine, WI 53403*



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, July 10, 2007

4:15 PM

City Hall, Room 205

Board of Health

*William Little, M.D.
Sarah Fouse, Ph.D.
Mohammed Rafiullah, M.D.
John Berge, Ph.D.
Maria Morales
Alderman Robert Mozol
Alderman Raymond DeHahn
Mary Sollman*

Call To Order

PRESENT: 7 - William Little M.D., Sarah Fouse Ph.D., Mohammed Rafiullah M.D., John Berge Ph.D., Robert Mozol, Raymond DeHahn and Mary Sollman

ABSENT: 1 - Maria Morales

Approval of Minutes for June 12, 2007 Meeting

Correction to Minutes of June 12, 2007 - Page 4, 4th Paragraph, Representative Cori Mason corrected to Representative Cory Mason.

A motion was made by John Berge, Ph.D., seconded by Raymond DeHahn to Approve the Minutes. The motion PASSED.

Old Business

Information was passed out on Shepherd Plating regarding their affect on the lake and river. Dr. Kinzelman looked into it and found some research has been done. Dr. Kinzelman will see if there is any way to incorporate testing with some of the grants we currently have.

The draft of the City of Racine Health Department 2006 Annual Report was passed out for Board approval. It was requested latent TB, STD and lead percentage numbers be included on the report and that it be distributed to some of the community newspapers, TV stations and radio stations.

Janelle Grammer introduced to the Board the new Public Health Nurse, Rob Chalhoub, who started today, July 10, 2007. Rob will be working for the City four days a week. Janelle announced that Melinda Thompson will be starting with the Health Department as a Public Health Nurse tomorrow, July 11, 2007, and will be working three days a week.

The Board congratulated Dr. Sarah Fouse on her recent accomplishment of becoming a physician.

Marcia Fernholz introduced Deborah McLemore, Program Manager and Laura Zickus, Administrative Assistant, the HUD Staff for the Kenosha/ City of Racine Lead Hazard Demonstration Grant.

The Board of Health members discussed the attendance requirements for being on the Board of Health. Alderman Dehahn made a Motion to ask the City Attorney the policy on absenteeism regarding the Board of Health. It was seconded by Dr. Berge. Alderman Mozol made a motion for the Board of Health to recommend to the Mayor that Maria Morales be asked to step down from the Board of Health and Olivia Castillo be asked to take the vacant seat. It was seconded by Alderman DeHahn.

New Business**07-0760**

Subject: Communication from the Public Health Administrator requesting permission to accept funding from the United Way of Racine County, Inc. (Grant Control #2007-004)

Also refer to the Board of Health.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

06-25-07: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into a \$50,000 agreement with the United Way of Racine County (Grant Control No. 2007-004) to be utilized for the Teen Parent Support Program.

Recommendation of the Board of Health on 07-20-07: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into a \$50,000 agreement with the United Way of Racine County to be utilized for the Teen Parent Support Program.

Fiscal Note: No match required on the part of the City. The City will act as the fiscal agent for other entities. The City's portion will be \$29,800.

Attachments: [Teen Parenting Accept](#)
[Teen Parenting United Way](#)

A motion was made by John Berge, Ph.D., seconded by Raymond DeHahn, that this be Approved. The motion PASSED.

07-0762

Subject: Communication from the Public Health Administrator requesting permission to accept funding from the Department of Natural Resources. (Grant Control #2006-048)

Also refer to the Board of Health**Staff recommendation to the Finance & Personnel Committee on**

06-25-07: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into a \$20,127 agreement with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (Grant Control No. 2006-048) to be utilized for conducting bacterial indicator sampling for beach closures for public health concerns.

Recommendation of the Board of Health on 07-10-07: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into a \$20,137 agreement with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to be utilized for conducting bacterial indicator sampling for beach closures for public health concerns.

Fiscal Note: A \$46,282 soft match is required on the part of the City.

Attachments: [WDNR 20,127](#)
[DNR-Coastal Funding](#)

A motion was made by John Berge, Ph.D., seconded by Mohammed Rafiullah, M.D., that this be Approved. The motion PASSED.

07-0763

Subject: Communication from the Public Health Administrator requesting permission to accept funding from the United Way of Racine County. (Grant Control #2007-034)

Also refer to the Board of Health.

Staff recommendation to the Finance & Personnel Committee on

06-25-07: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into a \$60,982 agreement with the United Way of Racine County (Grant Control No. 2007-034) to be utilized for the FSKF Home Visitor Program.

Recommendation of the Board of Health on 07-10-07: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into a \$60,982 agreement with the United Way of Racine County to be utilized for the FSKF Home Visitor Program.

Fiscal Note: No match required on the part of the City.

Attachments: [FSKF Home Visit Funding](#)

This grant covers the wages of the City Health Department's Home Visitor, Aurora Reyes.

A motion was made by Mohammed Rafiullah, M.D., seconded by John Berge, Ph.D., that this be Approved. The motion PASSED.

07-0853

Subject: Communication from the Public Health Administrator requesting permission to apply for a grant from the Great Lakes Protection Fund for the Achieving Healthy Great Lakes Beaches program. (Grant Control #2007-036)

(Also refer to the Board of Health.)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 7-9-07:

Permission granted for the Public Health Administrator to apply for a \$950,618.00 grant from the Great Lakes Protection Fund for the Achieving Healthy Great Lake Beaches (Grant Control #2007-036) to develop metrics to define a healthy Great Lakes Beach.

Recommendation of the Board of Health on 07-10-07: The Public Health Administrator apply for a \$950,618.00 grant from the Great Lakes Protection Fund for the Achieving Healthy Great Lakes Beaches to develop metrics to define a healthy Great Lakes Beach.

Fiscal Note: No match required by the City.

Attachments: [Healthy Great Lakes Beaches](#)

This grant covers four organizations over a four year period. A percentage of the money goes towards Dr. Kinzelman's wages and indirect costs such as square footage, computers and telephones.

A motion was made by John Berge, Ph.D., seconded by Raymond DeHahn, that this be Approved. The motion PASSED.

07-0856

Subject: Communication from the Public Health Administrator requesting permission to accept funding from the Department of Health and Family Services for the continuation of the Lead Poisoning Prevention Program. (Grant Control #2007-035)

(Also refer to the Board of Health.)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 7-9-07:

The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into a \$87,327 agreement with the Department of Health and Family Services (Grant Control #2007-035) to be utilized for the continuation of the Lead Poisoning Prevention Program.

Recommendation of the Board of Health on 07-10-07: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into a \$87,327 agreement with the Department of Health and Family Services to be utilized for the continuation of the Lead Poisoning Prevention Program.

Fiscal Note: \$87,327 grant; soft match of \$43,664 (50%) covered by the City.

Attachments: [Lead Poisoning Prevention DHFS](#)

A motion was made by John Berge, Ph.D., seconded by Mary Sollman, that this be Approved. The motion PASSED.

07-0858

Subject: Communication from the Public Health Administrator requesting permission to accept funding from the Division of Employment and Training for the Refugee Health Screening and Education Program. (Grant Control #2007-037)

(Also refer to the Board of Health.)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 7-9-07:

The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into a \$20,250 agreement with the Division of Employment and Training on behalf of the Workforce Development (Grant Control #2007-037) to be utilized for the reimbursement to the City of Racine Health Department for public health services provided to eligible refugees.

Recommendation of the Board of Health on 7-10-07: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into a \$20,250 agreement with the Division of Employment and Training on behalf of Workforce Development to be utilized for the reimbursement to the City of Racine

Health Department for public health services provided to eligible refugees.

Fiscal Note: No match required by the City.

Attachments: [Refugee Health Ed DWD](#)

This grant covers expenses of getting refugees into the health system. It is a fee for service grant.

A motion was made by John Berge, Ph.D., seconded by Mohammed Rafiullah, M.D., that this be Approved. The motion PASSED.

[07-0873](#)

Subject: Communication from the Public Health Administrator requesting permission to apply for funds from the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative on behalf of the City of Grand Rapids, Michigan, for the Small Cities Sustainability Award. (Grant Control #2007-038)

(Also refer to the Board of Health.)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 7-9-07:

Permission granted for the Public Health Administrator to apply for a \$5,000 grant from the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative on behalf of the City of Grand Rapids, Michigan, for the Small Cities Sustainability Award (Grant Control #2007-038) to fund various environmental activities at the Recreation and Environmental Education Community Center.

Recommendation of the Board of Health on 07-10-07: The Public Health Administrator apply for a \$5,000 grant from the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative on behalf of the City of Grand Rapids, Michigan, for the Small Cities Sustainability Award to fund various environmental activities at the Recreation and Environmental Education Community Center.

Fiscal Note: No match required by the City.

Attachments: [Small Cities Sustainability Award](#)

A motion was made by Sarah Fouse, Ph.D., seconded by Mary Sollman, that this be Approved. The motion PASSED.

Reports

[07-0892](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) June Monthly Reports from the Health Department.

Attachments: [PHA Rep](#)
[EH Rep](#)
[EH Rev](#)
[CHP Rep](#)
[CHP Rev](#)

Public Health Administrator - Janelle Grammer reported that the Mayor went after Representative Mason and others from the Joint Finance to try and obtain a \$250,000 grant to look into disparity and infant mortality issues. It passed Joint Finance unanimously; however, we do not have the funds yet.

An all staff meeting took place on June 27, 2007.

We are preparing for new budgets and the Community Health Survey.

The Lab licensing is being looked into. Bob Bagley and Judy Bagley have been a tremendous asset in helping out the Health Department. The Wisconsin State Statutes specifies that if you are in a county that has higher than the median average for statewide statistics for chlamydia, gonorrhea and drug resistant gonorrhea, the County is required to provide STD services free of charge. Racine does meet the criteria. The County needs to be brought into the discussion. Janelle will be meeting with Caledonia/Mt. Pleasant to get them involved. The Health Department will also be looking into hiring a physician as an alternative.

Dr. Little suggested that the Human Services Board be approached regarding STD services and why the County is not providing them. The Board suggested that Mayor Gary Becker address the STD service issue with County Executive William McReynolds.

Alderman Mozol made a motion that the Board of Health send official notification to the Mayor requesting that County Executive William McReynolds look into the Wisconsin State Statute, Chapter 252.11(11) Communicable Diseases which addresses the important public health issue of the County providing health services to people with sexually transmitted diseases. The Board of Health would like to discuss with the County the possibility of coordinating our resources in an effort to provide better services at a reduced cost to all concerned. The motion was seconded by Alderman DeHahn.

Environmental Health - Marcia Fernholz reported the number of year-to-date animal nuisance investigations has been inflated recently due to Environmental Health doing follow-up courtesy reminders and phone calls to those who have 2006 animal licenses that have not been renewed.

Community Health Programs - The Town Hall Meeting with Dr. Sherri Johnson, our State Health Officer, was on June 25, 2007. It was a well attended meeting by people from the community and throughout the state. People were made aware of how large a problem infant mortality is.

Thelma Jones sent out letters of inquiry requesting additional grants. We have been invited to submit proposals. We are looking for funds to supplement and work with the funds that Representative Mason and Mayor Becker worked for in the Joint Finance.

Recommended For Approval

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by John Berge, P.h.D. and seconded by Rafiullah Mohammed, M.D. Motion Carried.