

# **City of Racine**

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## **Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, October 9, 2007**

**4:15 PM**

**City Hall, Room 209**

### **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:** 6 - Sarah Fouse Ph.D., John Berge Ph.D., Maria Morales, Robert Mozol, Raymond DeHahn and Mary Sollman

**ABSENT:** 1 - Mohammed Rafiullah M.D.

**EXCUSED:** 1 - William Little M.D.

**Approval of Minutes for September 11, 2007 Meeting**

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

**Presentations/Miscellaneous**

*The procedure for committee referrals regarding grant requests to apply and accept funds was discussed. Requests to apply for or accept grants currently start in Common Council. Common Council refers the request to the Finance and Personnel Committee. The Finance and Personnel Committee makes a recommendation and the item is then referred to the Board of Health. The Board of Health makes a recommendation and the item is then sent back to the Common Council for a final decision. Due to the Board of Health meeting once a month and the time guidelines involved in applying for and accepting grants, it was suggested that unless the Finance and Personnel Committee feel the need to refer the item to the Board of Health, these types of grant related items should go from Finance and Personnel directly back to the Common Council. All grant requests to apply and accept funds would be listed on the Board of Health Agendas for informational purposes.*

*A motion was made by Maria Morales, seconded by Mary Sollman that the routing of the Board of Health requests to apply or accept grant funds be changed to omit the Board of Health; unless, the Finance and Personnel Committee feel there is a need for the Board of Health to review a specific item. The motion PASSED.*

*Alderman DeHahn would like to get an ordinance passed that the City of Racine will not allow the pit bull breed in the City after a year or two. Alderman DeHahn does not feel there is a need for the pit bull breed of dog that has jaws that lock onto you. Dr. Berge pointed out that it is not the breed of dog that makes the dog dangerous but the training of the dog. Dr. Berge stated he will support Alderman DeHahn's ordinance but pointed out that the opposition will be extremely strong. Marcia Fernholz stated that Racine did try at one time and it created a great deal of debate. She pointed out that Milwaukee does have some special restrictions but they are difficult to enforce. It is also questionable what percentage of a dog constitutes it breed.*

**Old Business**

*Tresa and Dewey Johnson implored the Board of Health to do something about their neighbor's dogs being loose and charging at people. They were provided an Animal Nuisance Complaint Form, told that the form needed to be turned in to move forward with their complaint and given instructions on how to file the form. Tresa Johnson said that her neighbor is only in compliance regarding dog feces after she calls and Environmental Health goes out and talks with the neighbor. Marcia Fernholz pointed out that Keith Hendricks has been to the neighbor's house recently and he did not witness any violations.*

*Alderman Mozol asked Maria Morales if she intended on improving her attendance to stay on the Board of Health. Maria stated that she would be willing to step down but she preferred to stay on the Board. She will try and attend more meetings.*

## **New Business**

[07-1168](#)

**Subject:** Communication from the Public Health Administrator requesting permission to apply for grant funds in the amount of \$1000 from UW Parkside. (Grant Control #2007-045)

**(Also refer to the Board of Health.)**

### **Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on**

**10-08-07:** That the Public Health Administrator be authorized to apply for grant funds in the amount of \$1000 from UW Parkside. (Grant Control #2007-045).

**Recommendation of the Board of Health on 10-09-07:** That the Public Health Administrator be authorized to apply for grant funds in the amount of \$1000 from UW Parkside. (Grant Control #2007-045).

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

**Attachments:** [WI Coastal \\$1000 Apply](#)  
[WI Coastal Management Program](#)

**A motion was made by Sarah Fouse, Ph.D., seconded by Alderman DeHahn, that this be Recommended For Approval. The motion PASSED.**

## **Reports**

[07-1242](#)

**Subject:** (Direct Referral) September monthly reports from the Public Health Administrator and Division Managers.

**Attachments:** [PHA Rep 10-09-07](#)  
[Tob MCH WWWP 10-09-07](#)  
[ENV Rep 10-09-07](#)  
[ENV Rev 10-09-07](#)  
[CHP Rep 10-09-07](#)  
[CHP Rev 10-09-07](#)  
[Lab Rep 10-09-07](#)  
[Lab Rev 10-09-07](#)

*Public Health Administrator - Janelle Grammer reported Racine City Health Department is very close to finalizing the contract for STD services with Family Medicine. The new STD services should be operational by January 1, 2008.*

*Robert Bagley, Interim Lab Director, retired at the end of September. Judy Bagley is filling the position until the STD clinic is started with Family Medicine*

*The Racine City Health Department budget has been submitted for 2008 with no*

*personnel cuts.*

*Environmental Health Report Correction - In the "Productivity Measures" chart, "Animal Bites, 14 Monthly, 10\* YTD", should be "Animal Bites, 14 Monthly, 108 YTD".*

*Environmental Health - Marcia Fernholz reported on the prescription drug drop off that will be taking place on "Make a difference day". Many pharmacies have agreed to hand out flyers at different events to promote the prescription drug drop off. The Health Department hopes to be able to provide this service on other occasions. The majority of medications turned in will be destroyed due to quality and safety issues.*

*Community Health Programs - Thelma Jones reported the nurses recently were at the Family Literacy Program to apply fluoride for children. Brenda Wilkinson, Public Health Nurse, was thrilled to see the change for the better in the children that have been recommended for dental care.*

*Laboratory Report Corrections - Under "Highlights", third bullet down reads "and will due so through....", should be "and will do so through.....". Under "Highlights", fourth bullet down reads "Twelve serve ice cream....", should be "Twelve soft serve ice cream....".*

*Laboratory - Janelle Grammer reported Dr. Julie Kinzelman is currently in Ontario. Dr. Kinzelman wanted to make the point that once again we have had only 10 advisory days for both Zoo beach and North beach in spite of the large number of storms we have had. This is the third year in a row we have been 10 or under.*

*The Lab has received delivery of a new large refrigerator/freezer. The new refrigerator/freezer, along with several others and an incubator, are being set up with an alarm system for power outages.*

**A motion was made by Sarah Fouse, Ph.D., seconded by Mary Sollman that the monthly reports be Received and Filed. The motion PASSED.**

## **Adjournment**

**A motion was made by Alderman DeHahn, seconded by Sarah Fouse, Ph.D. to adjourn the meeting. The motion PASSED.**