

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

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MEMBERS

Jim Driskill, Chris Wittenbach, Dawn Bales

MEETING LOCATION

Chamber Room, 2nd Floor
Old Courthouse, 301 N. Main Street, Adrian, MI

MINUTES: Wednesday, July 11, 2018 –11:00 a.m.

Present: Commissioners Driskill, Bales, Wittenbach, and Stimpson

Also Present: Martha Hall, Cari Rebottaro, Kim Murphy, and Martin Marshall

I. Approval of Minutes – July 11, 2018

Motion by Wittenbach, seconded by Bales, to approve the July 11, 2018, minutes. Motion carried.

II. Department Highlights

A. Department on Aging: The Department on Aging has several events coming up including: Safe Sound and Secure to be held on August 24; the Lifestyle Expo on September 11; and the Walk to end Alzheimer's on September 16. Cari also indicated that the Foster Grandparents have been intimately involved in the Cradle to Career program in the schools and believes the seniors have had a positive impact on the program.

B. Health Department: The Health Department provided 18 Hepatitis A vaccines at the Fair and 68 at Faster Horses. The Sanitarians are busy preparing for this week's race at MIS.

Martha reported that Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) is testing the drinking water from all community water supplies statewide for PFAS, and are currently testing sources in Lenawee.

Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are a group of man-made chemicals that have been manufactured and used in a variety of industries since the 1940s.

PFAS are found in a wide range of consumer products that people use daily such as cookware, pizza boxes and stain repellants. Most people have been exposed to PFAS. PFAS can accumulate and stay in the human body for long periods of time. There is evidence that exposure to PFAS can lead to adverse health outcomes in humans. The most-studied PFAS chemicals are PFOA and PFOS. Studies indicate that PFOA and PFOS can cause reproductive and developmental, liver and kidney, and immunological effects in laboratory animals. Both chemicals have caused tumors in animals. The most consistent findings are increased cholesterol levels among exposed populations, with more limited findings related to:

- low infant birth weights,
- effects on the immune system,
- cancer (for PFOA), and
- thyroid hormone disruption (for PFOS).

The MDEQ is taking this precautionary step of testing these drinking water sources to determine if public health actions are needed. Information summarizing current sampling results is available on Michigan.gov

- C. Other reports:** Minutes from the Region 2 Area Agency on Aging and the Lenawee Human Services Collaborative were included in the meeting packet.

III. Updates / Other Business

There were no other updates or other business.

IV. Plan Objectives

County employee wellness programs: There were no other updates on the wellness program.

V. Adjournment

Motion by Wittenbach, seconded by Bales, to adjourn the meeting at 11:26 a.m. Motion carried.