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**"PUBLIC NOTICE OF MEETING"**

**Pursuant to Section 19.84 Wis. Stats., notice is hereby given to the public that the following meetings will be held**

**THE WEEK OF  
May 28 – JUNE 1, 2018**

**MONDAY, MAY 28, 2018**  
(No Meetings)

**TUESDAY, MAY 29, 2018**  
(No Meetings)

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 30, 2018**  
\*6:00 pm Human Services Committee Room 200, Northern Building  
305 E. Walnut Street

**THURSDAY, MAY 31, 2018**  
\*5:30 pm Education & Recreation Committee Room 200, Northern Building  
305 E. Walnut Street

**FRIDAY, JUNE 1, 2018**  
(No Meetings)

Any person wishing to attend who, because of a disability, requires special accommodation, should contact the Brown County Human Resources Office at 448-4065 by 4:30 p.m. on the day before the meeting so that arrangements can be made.

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**HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**  
Joan Brusky, Thomas De Wane, Patrick Evans,  
Erik Hoyer, Aaron Linssen

## **HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**Wednesday, May 30, 2018**

**6:00 pm**

**Room 200, Northern Building  
305 E. Walnut St., Green Bay**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE COMMITTEE MAY TAKE ACTION ON ANY ITEM LISTED ON THE AGENDA**

- I. Call Meeting to Order.
- II. Approve/Modify Agenda.
- III. Approve/Modify Minutes of April 25, 2018.

### **Comments from the Public**

### **Report from Human Services Chair**

1. **Review Minutes of:**
  - a. Aging & Disability Resource Center (March 22, 2018).
  - b. Board of Health (March 13, 2018).
  - c. Criminal Justice Coordinating Board (March 8, 2018).
  - d. Mental Health Treatment Committee (March 21, 2018).
  - e. Veterans' Recognition Subcommittee (April 17, 2018).

### **Communications**

2. Communication from Supervisor Schadewald re: I request the Human Services Committee and the Administration Committee to examine proposals to find ways to attract and keep the local resident in psychiatry to stay and work in Brown County. *Motion to refer to staff to learn more about the La Crosse model and other information discussed and bring back.*
3. Communication from Supervisor Hoyer re: Re-establish the Homeless Issues and Affordable Housing Sub Committee which reports to Human Services. *Held for one month.*
4. Communication from Supervisor Brusky re: I request that the Brown County Health Department provide periodic updates on the wind turbine situation in Brown County and the State of Wisconsin. *Referred from May County Board.*

### **Wind Turbine Update**

5. Receive new information – Standing Item.

### Syble Hopp

6. Resolution Approving Tentative Levy for Syble Hopp School (Children with Disabilities Education Board) Budget for Fiscal Year July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019.

### Health & Human Services Department

7. Budget Adjustment Request (18-67): Any increase in expenses with an offsetting increase in revenue.
8. Resolution regarding Reclassification of a Medical Transcriptionist Position in the Health and Human Services – Community Treatment Center Table of Organization.
9. Resolution regarding Reclassification of a Social Worker/Case Manager Position and Deletion of a .4 FTE Clinical Social Worker Position in the Health and Human Services – Community Treatment Center Table of Organization.
10. Formally identify members of the Mental Health Ad Hoc Committee. *April motion: To place this item on next month's agenda.*
11. Executive Director's Report.
12. Communications Update – Regarding possible partnership with Brown County School District for access to Brown County's mental health programs, services and counselors.
13. Financial Report for Community Treatment Center and Community Services.
14. Statistical Reports.
  - a. Monthly CTC Data.
    - i. Bay Haven Crisis Diversion.
    - ii. Nicolet Psychiatric Hospital.
    - iii. CTC Double Shifts.
  - b. Child Protection – Child Abuse/Neglect Report.
  - c. Monthly Contract Update.
15. Request for New Non-Continuous and Contract Providers and New Provider Contract.

**Aging & Disability Resource Center - No items.**

**Veterans Services – No items.**

### Other

16. Audit of bills.
17. Such other Matters as Authorized by Law.
18. Adjourn.

Erik Hoyer

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**EDUCATION & RECREATION COMMITTEE**  
Paul Ballard, David Landwehr,  
Kathy Lefebvre, Ray Suennen, John Van Dyck

### **EDUCATION & RECREATION COMMITTEE**

**Thursday, May 31, 2018**

**5:30 p.m.**

**Rm 200, Northern Building**

**305 E. Walnut Street**

**Green Bay, WI**

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ON ANY ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA**

- I. Call Meeting to Order.
- II. Approve/Modify Agenda.
- III. Approve/Modify Minutes of April 26, 2018.

#### **Comments from the Public**

1. Review Minutes of:
  - a. Neville Public Museum Governing Board (May 14, 2018).

#### **Communications**

2. Communication from Supervisor Nicholson re: Explore alternative use for the Arena Complex that will generate the best tax base for the County. *Referred from May County Board.*

#### **NEW Zoo**

3. Budget Status Financial Report for April 2018 – Unaudited.
4. Zoo Director's Report and Zoo Monthly Activity Reports.
5. Request for Approval – Request from N.E.W. Zoological Society, Inc. for the contract fee and admission fee to be waived for the Feast with the Beasts event on Monday, August 6, 2018.

#### **Parks Department**

6. Budget Status Financial Report for April 2018 – Unaudited.
7. April 2018 Field Staff Reports.
8. Discussion and Requested Approval for Dogs in Park Policy and Possible Expanding Dogs in Parks Policy.
9. Discussion re: Fairgrounds Strategic and Master Plan.
10. Discussion and Possible Action re: Use of up to \$15,000 in 2018 Budgeted Outlay for Fairgrounds Building Maintenance to extend lifespan for 5 years with a match from the Fair Association.
11. Assistant Director's Report.

**Golf Course**

12. Budget Status Financial Report for March 2018 – Unaudited.
13. Budget Status Financial Report for April 2018 – Unaudited.
14. Superintendent’s Report

**Museum**

15. Budget Status Financial Report for March 2018 - Unaudited.
16. Budget Status Financial Report for April 2018 - Unaudited.
17. 5-31-18 Director’s Report.
18. Fox Cities Magazine May 2018 “Brown County Bicentennial” (for information only).
19. Gallery Renovation Schedule (for information only).

**Library**

20. Library Report/Director’s Report.

**Other**

21. Audit of bills.
22. Such other matters as authorized by law.
23. Adjourn.

John Van Dyck, Chair

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# MAY 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2 Public Safety 11:30 am Administration 6:15 pm	3	4	5
6	7 Executive Cmte 5:30 pm	8	9	10 Criminal Justice Coordinating Board 8:00 am	11	12
13 	14	15 Veterans Rec. Subcmte 4:30 pm	16 Mental Health Ad Hoc 12:00 pm <b>Board of Supervisors 7:00 pm</b>	17	18	19 
20	21 <del>Land Con-6 pm</del> <del>PD&amp;I-6:15 pm</del> *Rescheduled To June 4	22	23	24	25	26
27	28 	29	30 Human Services 6pm	31 Ed & Rec 5:30pm		

## BROWN COUNTY COMMITTEE MINUTES

- Board of Health (March 13, 2018)
- Veterans' Recognition Subcommittee (May 15, 2018)

**To obtain a copy of Committee minutes:**

[http://www.co.brown.wi.us/minutes\\_and\\_agendas/](http://www.co.brown.wi.us/minutes_and_agendas/)

OR

Contact the Brown County Board Office or the County Clerk's Department

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING  
TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2018  
5:00 PM

Present: Richard Schadewald, James Crawford, Susan Molenaar, Karen Sanchez, Jay Tibbetts, Joe Van Deurzen, Cheryl Weber

Excused: None

Staff Present: Eric Pritzl, Anna Destree, Rob Gollman, Ann Steinberger, Emily Desrochers, Kris Kovacic, Andrea Kressin, Tyler Ludeke, Patti Zich (minutes recorder)

**1. Call to Order, Welcome, Introductions**

Chairman Richard Schadewald called the meeting to order.

**2. Approval / Modification of the Agenda**

MOTION: To approve agenda.

Van Deurzen / Crawford

**3. Approval of Minutes of Meeting of January 9, 2018.**

MOTION: To approve the minutes from January 9, 2018.

Jay Tibbetts recommended a correction.

MOTION: To approve the minutes as corrected

Crawford / Van Deurzen

MOTION CARRIED.

**4. Comments from the Public**

William Acker, 3217 Nicolet Drive, President of Acker & Associates, Green Bay Wisconsin. Mr. Acker presented a paper entitled, "*An Unprecedented Attempt of a County Committee Member to Erase and Change Parts of the Public's Input to Fit His Wishes,*" dated March 13, 2017. Mr. Acker states he has been working on the issue of health effects from infrasound for about 10 years now and gave examples of unethical behavior involving the Ehrfurth home near a cooling tower, the Enz's near the Shirley Wind Turbines, an issue that involved a Wisconsin Environmental Group that provided partial funding to the Shirley Wind Report, and when Mr. Crawford submitted his amended proposed minutes for the November 14, 2017 Board of Health meeting. Mr. Acker stated those that follow the Code of Ethics for Engineers are expected to exhibit the highest standards of honesty and integrity. He stated engineering has a direct and vital impact on the quality of life for all people. Accordingly, the services provided by engineers require honesty, impartiality, fairness, and equity, and must be dedicated to the protection of the public, safety, and welfare.

**5. Report on Opiate Response Efforts**

Kris Kovacic with the Public Health Division and Tyler Luedke with the Human Services Division gave a PowerPoint presentation entitled "*Brown County Health and Human Services Responds to the Opioid Crisis.*" Tyler Luedke talked about the work they have done regarding AODA education/prevention at four area high schools. They hope to expand more with youth educational town hall opportunities. Kris stated we received \$7,300 in funding. Accomplishments to date have been a Brown County employee Drug Take Back day, campus security Naloxone trainings at St. Norbert College and UWGB, and had permanent medication drop boxes installed at the Village of Allouez and Town of Suamico. Kris stated other strategies in progress are medication lock boxes and medication deactivation units. There will also be another Drug Take Back held on April 25, 2018 from 1-3 PM at Aging and Disability Resource Center in April for all Brown County employees and marketed to ADRC consumers. Kris states we have recently been awarded an additional \$2,500 which will be used towards Youth Town Hall activities.

**6. ServSafe Budget Proposal**

Emily Desrochers provided an update on the ServSafe course. In Wisconsin all licensed establishments with 6 or more employees must have at least one certified food manager. Emily provided the Board of Health with DATCP Food Manager Requirements from [https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs\\_Services/foodmanager.aspx](https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/foodmanager.aspx) The ServSafe course would train food services employees the fundamentals of food safety. Brown County



Public Health would be one more location that food service staff can get their certification. Emily has been certified as an instructor and as an exam proctor and she would be teaching the course in English. She is in the process of training an employee who would teach the course in Spanish. Emily gave an overview of what we would expect in the first year of this program regards costs. After the first year, the program will be assessed and adjustments will be made to better serve our community.

**7. Review of powers, duties and obligations of Board of Health**

Mr. Schadewald briefly reviewed the following documents as a refresher to the Board pertaining to their duties; 1) Chapter 35 of the Brown County Code, 2) Wisconsin Statutes Chapter 251 and 3) Wisconsin Division of Public Health document entitled "*Responsibilities of Board Members.*" Mr. Schadewald indicates their main job is to support and encourage initiatives. Dr. Tibbetts stated the Board of Health has never done an evaluation on the Health Officer. Erik Pritzel stated because of the current County structure, the County Executive would do the appointments, confirmations, evaluations and assessments. Mr. Schadewald states that although not required in statute, some Boards of Health may have it written in their local policy that they are responsible for the evaluation of the Health Officer.

**8. Environmental Division update**

Rob stated he ordered a tattoo establishment closed in January. The facility did not have hot or cold water in the restroom at the hand wash sink and was not keeping records as required. The establishment has not reopened. Rob indicated the Environmental Division is moving to the Highway Department facilities at the end of November and they are working on the layout for that building. The Department of Agriculture has scheduled an on-site assessment of our agent licensing program for December so we are working on getting ready for that. Rob discussed the ServSafe program and the importance of offering it in Spanish.

**9. Nursing Division update**

Ann Steinberger provided a written report. Influenza activity has peaked the first week of February although high activity can be expected for several more weeks. Ann stated there have been no influenza-associated pediatric deaths in the State of Wisconsin but there has been some nationwide. Ann states we had 3 cases of TB disease in 2017 and 2 cases have recently completed TB treatment. Ann stated that due to the unusual nature of a suspect case, additional testing was completed the CDC and patient tested positive for Leishmania species which is a vector-borne parasite transmitted by sandflies. Ann stated two of her nurses are working on immunization assurance by setting up work groups, reaching out to providers and other health departments on how to increase vaccination rates throughout the lifespan, starting with adolescent vaccines. Ann stated we had one confirmed case of the Seoul Virus in 2017 and it was traced throughout the US and Canada and United Kingdom. There was an article written in the MMWR in which one of our nurses was listed as a contributor. Ann reviewed the statistics for reportable diseases and conditions.

**10. Community Engagement Division Update**

Andrea Kressin stated the Alcohol and Drug Taskforce is working to align the priorities with the Drug Alliance including having youth, policy, awareness and access focus workgroups. The Mental Health Taskforce strategies are making sure there is a navigation platform in place, screening, and peer support and recovery coaching. The Nutrition and Physical Activity Taskforce is looking at physical activity and food choices and creating culture change in our area. The Oral Health Coalition is now in sustain mode. Andrea stated as Public Health is moving toward population based programs and because of the physical limitations at Sophie Beaumont, we are looking at community type car seat and safe sleep events versus the one on one direct services. She is identifying partners we can work with. Andrea stated in regards to our block grants, we belong to the Brown County Coalition for Suicide Prevention and we are continuing to offer QPR training. Since 2008, we have trained nearly 28,000 individuals in our community how to ask that question and what resources are available. In 2017, we have trained 6,914 individuals and nearly 5,000 were youth in our middle schools and high schools. Andrea stated we have certified four breastfeeding-friendly childcare sites this year and are on track to certify sixteen.

**11. Health Officer's Report**

Anna reported there is a meeting tomorrow with neighborhood associations in regard to rat traps. Anna will be presenting CDC's education materials on Seal Up! Trap Up! Clean Up! to demonstrate what can be done to prevent rodent infestations. Anna stated at the next general staff meeting we will be working on strategic planning and internal move planning. The goal of our strategic plan will be accreditation and incorporating trauma informed care practices into Public Health in the next five years. Anna stated we are going to use ICS (incident command system) in our move process to have a clear chain of command. Anna stated the

"This is Public Health: Then and Now Flu Clinic" will be on October 17, 2018 at Heritage Hill in celebration of Brown County's 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Dr. Tibbetts asked Anna if she had any follow up in regard to the WAHL DAB workgroup working with local health departments to develop talking points related to wind turbines. Anna stated that the WAHL DAB work group met and invited the PSC to the last meeting. She stated next year is when the PSC Wind Citing Report is due. Anna stated that she sent the State a list of everything we have and asked them to review and let us know what documents they would like from us. She indicated she will do the same for the PSC.

**12. Receive new information on wind turbines – Standing Item**

Barb Vanden Boogart, 7463 Holly-Mor Road, Greenleaf.

Barbara submitted a statement entitled "*Lab Test Confirms Inaudible Wind Turbine Sound Causes Adverse Impacts On People*," a document entitled "*Subjective perception of wind turbine noise – The stereo approach*," by Steven Edwin Cooper and Chris Chan dated December 2017 and document entitled "*Sensing but not Hearing: The Problem of Wind Turbine Noise (Interview with acoustician Steven Cooper, AU)*," by Sherri Lang dated February 2, 2018. She stated inaudible sound pulsations occurring at infrasonic rates emitted by wind turbines has been shown to cause perceptible sensations in a landmark laboratory experiment. Barbara states Dr. Cooper's paper shows he can reproduce in his laboratory the acoustic characteristics of wind turbine sound pressure pulsations occurring at infrasonic rates found in homes of people living near utility scale wind turbines, who have filed complaints of adverse sensations and health effects and these inaudible acoustic conditions reliably trigger in self-identified "sensitive people" sensations and adverse effects associated with the complaints by people who live near the footprint of utility scale wind turbines. Barbara further states that wind turbine sound emissions consisting of dynamically modulated pressure pulsations at infrasonic rates synchronized to the Blade Pass Frequency, have been shown to cause sensations and other adverse effects under controlled laboratory conditions. Barbara states alternate explanations, such as the so-called "NOCEBO" effect, are no longer acceptable as counter arguments, since direct cause and effect has been established. Barbara read excerpts from Steve Edwin Cooper's publication.

William Acker, 3217 Nicolet Drive, Green Bay

Mr. Acker stated a lawsuit in the Lake Wind Energy Park in Mason County, Michigan has been settled with 17 families but because of a gag order the Plaintiff's signed, there is little information regarding the details. Mr. Acker submitted a document which compared the two facilities (Lake Wind Energy Park and Shirley Wind Project) entitled "*Comparison of Shirley Wind to the Lake Wind Energy Park That Caused Physical Harm to 17 Residents Who Sued Lake Wind and Won Their Case on June 16, 2014*," by William Acker dated March 13, 2018. Mr. Acker also submitted document entitled "*Pathway to disease: Australian court links wind turbine noise with possible diseases*," by Natalie McGregor, and Hamilton Spectator dated February 15, 2018. Mr. Acker stated in Australia there is the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (ATT) who conducts independent merits review of administrative decisions made under Commonwealth laws. Recently they were asked to review health effects from wind turbines. Mr. Acker stated the conclusions drawn by the Judges was there numerous recorded instances of wind turbine noise which was above 40 dBA -- a recognized threshold for annoyance and sleep disturbance. He stated they found there is a significant proportion of the sound emitted by the wind turbines in the infrasound range therefore the best way of accurately measuring wind turbine noise is through raw unweighted measurements which are not averaged across time and are then subjected to detailed narrow band analysis. Mr. Acker stated the dBA weighting system is not designed to measure the sound and is not an appropriate way of measuring it. Mr. Acker stated there is an established association between noise annoyance and some diseases, including hypertension and cardiovascular disease, possibly mediated in part by disturbed sleep and/or psychological stress/distress. He stated these were the conclusions of the two judges.

Dr. Tibbetts submitted document entitled "*Wind power – Jammers for the heart: Mainz researchers investigate the consequences of infrasound*," dated March 5, 2018. Mr. Tibbetts stated Christian-Friedrich Vahl had a friend that was in a wind turbine farm and was complaining of the usual symptoms and that Professor Vahl wanted to look at the cardiac situation as far as heart response. He states Dr. Vahl had a preparation of viable heart tissue and hooked it up to a strain gauge, and subjected it to infrasound. Dr. Tibbetts stated the finding was that the contractility of the heart muscle was reduced by 20%. Dr. Tibbetts stated his conclusions were that the fundamental question of whether the infrasound can affect the heart muscle was answered. Dr. Tibbetts states this report is not yet available but will be in about six months.

**13. Correspondences**  
None.

**14. All Other Business Authorized by Law**

**15. Annual Election of Board of Health Chairperson, Vice Chairperson per Chapter 35.01(5) of the Brown County Code of Ordinances**

NOMINATION: Richard Schadewald for Chairperson. Van Deurzen / Tibbetts

MOTION: To elect Richard Schadewald as Chairperson by unanimous consent. Tibbetts / Van Deurzen

MOTION CARRIED

NOMINATION: James Crawford as Vice-Chairperson. Van Deurzen / Weber

MOTION: To elect James Crawford as vice-chairperson

Ayes: Richard Schadewald, James Crawford, Karen Sanchez, Joe Van Deurzen, Cheryl Weber

Nays: Jay Tibbetts

MOTION CARRIED

**16. Adjournment / Next Meeting**

MOTION: To adjourn meeting Weber / Van Deurzen

MOTION CARRIED

N EXT MEETING: May 8, 2018 5:00 PM

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BROWN COUNTY  
VETERANS' RECOGNITION SUBCOMMITTEE**

Pursuant to Section 19.84, Wis. Stats., a regular meeting of the Brown County Veterans' Recognition Subcommittee was held on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 at 4:30 pm in Room 201 of the Northern Building, 305 E. Walnut Street, Green Bay, Wisconsin.

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**PRESENT:** Chair Erickson, Ed Koslowski, Ken Corry, Louise Dahlke, Duane Pierce

**EXCUSED:** Jerry Polus, Joan Brusky, Kerry Metoxen

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**1. Call Meeting to Order.**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Bernie Erickson at 4:30 pm.

**2. Approve/Modify Agenda.**

Motion made by Ed Koslowski, seconded by Duane Pierce to approve. Vote taken. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**3. Approve/Modify Minutes of April 17, 2018.**

Motion made by Louise Dahlke, seconded by Ed Koslowski to approve. Vote taken. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**4. Budget Status Financial Report for December, 2017 (Unaudited).**

Motion made by Duane Pierce, seconded by Ed Koslowski to receive and place on file. Vote taken. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**5. Budget Status Financial Report for March, 2018.**

Motion made by Duane Pierce, seconded by Louise Dahlke to receive and place on file. Vote taken. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**6. Update re: Honor Rewards Program.**

*In the absence of CVSO Jerry Polus, no report was given.*

**7. Discussion re: 2018 Veterans' Appreciation Day at the Brown County Fair.**

Louise Dahlke informed she has been contacted by the Fair and advised that another act has been scheduled for the same time as the veterans' ceremony. That act will take place in the grassy area just east of the veterans' tent and will require bleachers to be set up and a microphone and speakers to be used. Dahlke asked for this group's thoughts regarding changing the time of the veterans' ceremony so as not to compete with the other event. The Subcommittee discussed this and said it would depend on whether the posters and tickets have already been printed with the time. Koslowski noted he cannot mail the postcards to the veterans' groups until the time of the ceremony is set. Dahlke noted that most of the veterans' ceremony takes place under the tent and it sounds like the tent will be located in the same area as in the past. Pierce suggested putting the stage on the other side of the tent if the weather cooperates to give some distance between the other event. The decision was made to keep the veterans' ceremony at 3:00 pm.

Dahlke also talked about the banners and noted it seems we have to change the dates every year. She said if this group does not mind having a small Pepsi logo on them, Dean Distributing will make the banners year after year

at no charge. Dahlke said to let her know what information should be on the banners, what sizes and how many are needed and she will work with the Fair to get them printed.

Dahlke also informed that Jim Haskins attended the last Fair Board meeting and indicated he has made arrangements with the same person who sang the National Anthem last year to sing it this year as well. It was noted that Haskins also informed the County Board Office that he has arranged for Jess to sing the National Anthem.

Erickson noted that he will be stopping at all of the local reserve centers to drop posters and tickets off and he will make them all aware of the event and that it will be honoring National Guard members and reservists. He said he will try to get to the reserve centers before he starts distributing posters and tickets to allow them to possibly schedule their drill weekends in a manner to allow attendance at the Fair event.

Erickson also talked about the dog tags he will be ordering and said he will order 200 of them. He would like to have the Brown County 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary logo on one side of the dog tags and then language on the other side which says "Honoring All Reservists and National Guard, Past and Present" or something similar.

**8. Discussion re: Possibility of holding a Veterans' Fair midway through the year.**

Erickson recalled that Joan Brusky brought this up at the last meeting. She has contacted the Packers about the possibility of holding a Veterans' Fair at Lambeau Field in conjunction with their 100<sup>th</sup> Season Anniversary. Brusky heard back from the Packers who indicated they would have to see how it may work into their schedule. This can be discussed further at the next meeting when Brusky will be in attendance.

Ken Corry, Outreach and Recovery Regional Coordination of VORP noted that he is also planning an event to bring awareness to the community of some of the services available to veterans in conjunction with the Booyah Bash at the Vets Center which will be sometime in July. Corry said this is probably something we should look at more for 2019 because it takes time to put something like this together so it is nice.

**9. Discussion re: Future plans for transitional housing for veterans.**

Erickson noted that at one time Cardinal Management wanted to add some veteran housing, but he does not know the current status of that. This will be put on the next agenda so we can get an update from Jerry Polus.

Corry said there is a possibility of 8 – 10 beds for veterans coming into Bellevue through the Veterans Housing and Recovery Program and this would be for homeless veterans or those with substance abuse issues or other challenges who are trying to get back into the community. The State of Wisconsin would have a place for them to stay. Work would be done collaboratively with CVSO offices, shelters, and the VA Hospital and the State.

**10. Report from CVSO Jerry Polus.**

*In the absence of CVSO Jerry Polus, no report was given.*

**11. Reports from Committee Members Present (Erickson, Brusky, Dahlke, Haskins, Koslowski, Pierce).**

-Erickson did not have anything further to report.

-Dahlke did not have anything further to report.

-Koslowski informed the lighted sign trailer that was donated by the Homemakers is in the process of being painted. He questioned where the sign can be stored for other groups to use. This was discussed and Erickson said he can make some calls to see if it could be stored at either Port & Solid Waste or at Public Works. Dahlke asked about the permitting process and Koslowski said it would be up to the organization using the sign to secure the appropriate permit. Erickson said he can work with Corporation Counsel on this to get a hold harmless agreement and an agreement regarding getting the appropriate permit.

-Pierce reported that the annual Veterans Pow Wow will be held in Keshena this weekend. It starts Friday night with a flag raising ceremony at 6:00 pm. The event continues Saturday with Rolling Thunder doing a table ceremony before the grand entrance at 11:00 am and it will continue on Sunday as well. He said it is an awesome event and encouraged people to attend.

Pierce also reported that the traveling wall will be coming to Crivitz over Labor Day Weekend. He said there is a Facebook page called "The Wall That Heals Comes To Crivitz" which will be updated with events and information on a regular basis. The wall will be set up in the Veterans Park just past the railroad tracks.

Pierce concluded by saying the next LZ raffle will be held on June 18 at 5:00 pm at Pearly Gates. Everyone is welcome; it is a good time and a nice evening of veteran camaraderie.

12. **Such Other Matters as Authorized by Law.**

Corry introduced Tiffany Koehler to the group. Koehler is the Women Veterans Coordinator at the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs and said she came to the meeting to find out how things are going in Brown County and how the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs could support our veterans and the Secretary's platform who is very committed to making sure all of the troops are well taken care of.

Koehler asked if there were any concerns or questions she could bring back to the Secretary. Koslowski brought up the addition of nursing facilities that the Secretary said are planned for the State and asked Koehler for further information on that. Koehler said she did not know when that project was planned for, but she will find out and let Erickson know. Koslowski noted that Chippewa Falls is already full and Koehler added that there is also a large waiting list. Erickson asked if there was any timeframe for when the VA Clinic in Green Bay would be fully staffed as they are currently behind in some areas, such as mental health. Koehler said she will also look into this and let Erickson know.

Koslowski also said he had heard recently that there was interest in doing fundraising for a Fisher House in Green Bay, but he questioned why that would be necessary when the facility in Green Bay is a clinic and not a hospital so nobody stays overnight. Neither Koslowski nor Koehler has heard anything about changing the VA Clinic into a hospital.

Koehler asked about the challenges that face veterans in Brown County for things like travel. Pierce indicated that the DAV does a lot of transportation.

Koslowski also asked about the VORP program Corry is involved in. Corry said the program deals not only with the veterans, but also their families. The housing he was talking about earlier is for single veterans, not families. Koslowski pointed out there is no transitional living facility in Brown County for veterans to go where they can also bring their family. Corry said there is not a single place dedicated specifically for that, but there are some agencies that do help with housing. Koehler agreed that affordable safe and stable housing is a problem across the board, especially for women. She noted there are a few shelters in the Milwaukee area that serve woman, but there are more facilities for men. Koslowski said we have to try to avoid the scenario where people are not seeking help because they fear their children will be taken away if they admit to being homeless.

13. **Adjourn.**

**Motion made by Duane Pierce, seconded by Ed Koslowski to adjourn at 5:34 pm. Vote taken. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Respectfully submitted,

Therese Giannunzio

Administrative Specialist