

TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2006

**APPROVED MINUTES OF THE
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING HELD**

**STATE OF MINNESOTA)
DODGE COUNTY)**

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATION OFFICE
MANTORVILLE, MN**

2006-11 C.O.W.

The Dodge County Commissioners met in Committee of the Whole June 13, 2006, in the Commissioner's Room at the Dodge County Courthouse Annex, Mantorville, MN, at 9:00 a.m. CDT. David Erickson opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. CDT.

Meeting Convened

The Chair acknowledged those present:

Those Present

Members present: Klaus Alberts District #1
Lyle Tjosaas District #2
David Erickson District #3
Don Gray District #4
David Hanson District #5

Members absent: None

Also present: David McKnight County Administrator
Becky Lubahn Deputy Clerk
Peggy Espey Public Health Director
Ashley Olson Public Health Preparedness
Coordinator
Gary Hodge Emergency Management Coordinator

Public Health Director Peggy Espey and Public Health Preparedness Coordinator Ashley Olson met with the Board to discuss local panflu planning.

Panflu Planning
Discussion

Ms. Olson provided the Board with information on the various types of influenza, their symptoms, what would constitute labeling influenza as epidemic or pandemic and what the Public Health office is doing with disease surveillance and planning. The Public Health Preparedness Coordinator explained what the local impact would be and what can be done to slow the spread of influenza.

Commissioner Erickson wanted to know what the role of Emergency Management would be.

Emergency Management Coordinator Gary Hodge was available to comment. Mr. Hodge stated that Emergency Management's role would be to help coordinate if there is an epidemic and noted that Public Health would take the lead in dealing with an epidemic outbreak.

Various options for notification to the citizens of Dodge County were discussed.

County Administrator David McKnight asked Mr. Hodge to briefly discuss NIMS. The Emergency Management Coordinator informed the Board that key county officials, including the commissioners, need to take NIMS training. Mr. Hodge informed the Board that the training is done on-line and may be scheduled for mid to late July.

Panflu Planning
Discussion -
Continued

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:28 a.m. CDT.

Meeting Adjourned

ATTEST:

DAVID ERICKSON
CHAIR, COUNTY BOARD

BECKY LUBHAN
DEPUTY CLERK

DATED: