

**RESOLUTION
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Board of Health
INITIATED BY

County Board Staff Committee
SUBMITTED BY



Marie-Noel Sandoval, Health
Officer
DRAFTED BY

June 27, 2016
DATE DRAFTED

TO CREATE THE POSITION OF 0.4 FTE SANITARIAN I

1 **WHEREAS**, the Rock County Public Health Department requests that a 0.6 FTE Public Health Support
2 Specialist position be deleted and a 0.4 FTE Sanitarian I position be created; and,
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4 **WHEREAS**, this change will address the increasing workload and changing Environmental Health
5 Programs scope of work as well as align with strategic planning goals and objectives and assure adequate
6 level of service to the public of Rock County; and,
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8 **WHEREAS**, by assuring adequate level of service, the Rock County Public Health Department can
9 adequately meet the needs of the community, thereby improving the health status of Rock County
10 residents, thereby making Rock County a healthier place in which to live, play, work, and learn.
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12 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled
13 this 14th day of July, 2016 moves to delete 0.6 FTE Public Health Support Specialist
14 position and create the position of a 0.4 FTE Sanitarian I.

Respectfully submitted,

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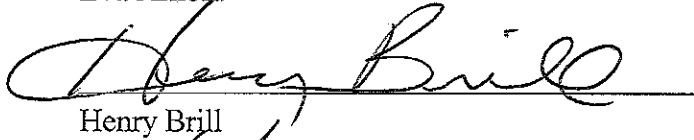
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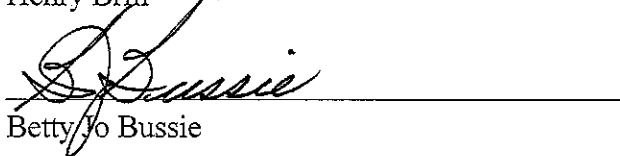
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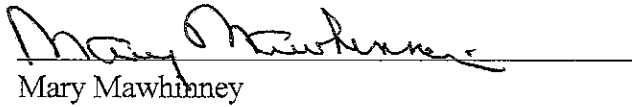

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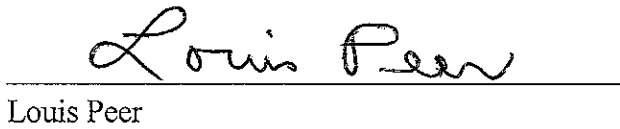

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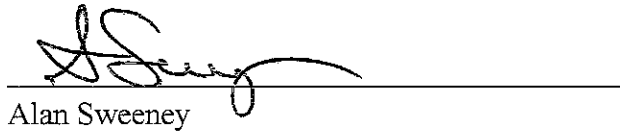

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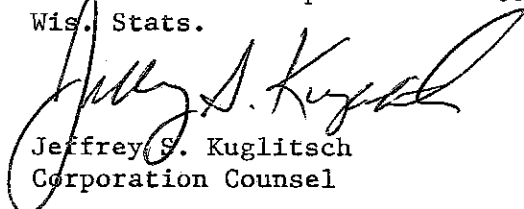
FISCAL NOTE:

This resolution deletes a 0.6 FTE Public Health Support Specialist position and creates a 0.4 FTE Sanitarian I position. The new position will be funded by the deletion of the Public Health Support Specialist position.


Sherry Oja
Finance Director

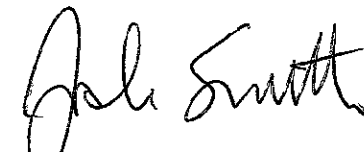
LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to §59.22(2), Wis. Stats.


Jeffrey S. Kuglitsch
Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.


Josh Smith
County Administrator

Executive Summary

The purpose of the 0.4 Sanitarian I position is to increase capabilities to meet rising demands for sanitarian inspections required at public facilities. The position would provide direct service to the public. The Sanitarian I will complete low and moderate priority facility inspections and assist Sanitarian II staff.

Changes in FDA food code regulations and mandated reporting requirements have significantly increased the time required by Sanitarians to complete inspections at licensed facilities such as restaurants, hotels and recreational facilities. In addition, the number of licensed facilities requiring surveys from Sanitarians has increased by 43% since 2000. Over the same time period, the number of Sanitarians on staff at the Health Department has decreased from eight (8) to seven (7). This increased demand in workload has resulted in Sanitarians being overburdened with facility inspections, potentially jeopardizing the quality and quantity of public health inspections that can be completed annually. The ability of the 0.4 Sanitarian I position to complete low and moderate priority facility inspections will relieve the workload of current Sanitarian II staff allowing them to concentrate on high priority facilities.

The Health Department contracts through the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to administer the federally required Transient Non-Community (TNC) well program. This public facility well program, involves well water sampling and conducting well sanitary surveys at approximately 150 public facilities that serve water to the public from private wells. New Federal regulations effective April 1, 2016, require that each water system now be evaluated annually. This annual water system inspection has increased staffing demands on the Sanitarians. The Health Department is reimbursed \$25 additional dollars per facility by the WDNR for these new mandated requirements. The 0.4 Sanitarian I would be able to assist with this increased workload demand.

Septic maintenance requires follow up on enforcement for noncompliant property owners. Increased property development and childhood lead poisoning prevention work are higher priority for current Sanitarian II staff. To be fair to compliant property owners and to protect the waters of Rock County, the follow-up and enforcement must be timely. By taking on these septic maintenance follow-up responsibilities, the Sanitarian I will allow the Sanitarian II staff to focus on other priority public health issues. These tasks involve property owner contacts, field visits and preparing correspondence.

There will be minimal budgetary impact as the creation of this new position will be coupled with the deletion of an existing one.