Meeting called to order by Chair Larry Quam.


APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Ryan, second Raunio, to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2019, meeting. Motion carried.

UPDATES AND REPORTS: Included with agenda; reviewed.

ACTION: Motion by Ryan, second Raunio, to suspend agenda and hear item 4d. Motion carried.

Public and Environmental Health: COVID-19 (Coronavirus) is believed to have originated in bats, circulated in animals, and transferred to humans. The virus is very new and scientists are just learning how it impacts humans; new information is learned daily. The virus is extremely contagious before symptoms develop and as they begin. There are no active cases in Douglas County. Any doctor may order the test, but certain criteria needs to be met in order to qualify. It is recommended not to hold events with more than 250 people; any with less people should use caution or consult Centers for Disease Control and Prevention agency advice.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:
Superior Days 2020: Asking legislators questions to engage them was a receptive way to get them to learn about Douglas County. Low Medicaid reimbursement rates addressed.

CY 2019/2020 Budget: 2019 ended over budget approximately one million dollars.

Department of Health Services Chapter 1 – Uniform Fees, Liability and Collections: The Douglas County policy will be revised to reflect changes in state statute; to be reviewed by Corporation Counsel.


ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Ryan, second Raunio, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:31 p.m.

Submitted by,

Kaci Jo Lundgren, Committee Clerk