

## **Trempealeau County Human Services Board Meeting**

Meeting called to order by Michelle Haines at 4:00 p.m. in the Packer Room at the Trempealeau County Government Center, Whitehall, Wisconsin on Monday, April 4, 2011.

**Board Members Present:** Hensel Vold, Arild Engelién, Kathy Johnson, Michelle Haines.  
Rob Reichwein,

**Staff Present:** Jeff McIntyre, Judy Fredrickson, Kathy Gauger, Sandy Palkowski,  
Mary Manka

Notice was posted according to open meeting law requirements.

**Adoption of Agenda – Motion** by Mr. Vold to adopt the presented agenda; **seconded** by Arild Engelién. **Motion carried.**

**Minutes of Prior Health & Human Services Board Meeting – Motion** by Mr. Reichwein to accept the minutes from the March 7, 2011 meeting; **seconded** by Mr. Vold. **Motion carried.**

**Public Comments – None**

### **6. Senior Services Vehicle**

Mr. McIntyre reported that GWAAR has approved spending \$25,000 to purchase a vehicle for Senior Services. The Exec Finance Committee gave the go ahead. We will be getting bids as soon as possible.

#### **Aging Director's Report:**

Ms. Gauger informed the group on what is happening regarding congregate meals in Whitehall and Trempealeau. No provider has been found for Whitehall at this time. TCHCC is working with the Housing Authority on becoming a provider of services. A late bid was received today. It is up to the Human Services Board to consider it. Ms. Haines opened the sealed bid, read the prices, dates that meals would be served. We do have the right to reject all bids. Ms. Gauger suggested that we put a RFP again. The late bid could certainly be re-submitted. **Motion** by Mr. Reichwein to deny the bids; **seconded** by Mr. Engelién. **Motion carried.**

Ms. Gauger spoke briefly about some issues at the Blair site. The Site Manager resigned. An ad will be placed in the paper for a new site manager for Blair. The Centerville Site Manager will be filling in until a Blair replacement can be filled.

### **7. County Motor Pool Discussion**

Both Mr. McIntyre and Mr. Vold are involved in the discussion regarding the County Motor Pool. The second meeting was held today and the next one is planned for Monday, May 2 at 9:00 a.m. The Ford Fusion was suggested due to the fact that three children can be secured in the back seat. We will be receiving government rate. Resale is almost enough to pay for a new vehicle due to the government rate purchasing. Looking to purchase five vehicles by the end of May, 2011. Maintenance has been done by Schneider's Automotive in Whitehall, WI.

**8. ESS Resolution – Opposing Centralization of Economic Support Programs**

Mr. McIntyre passed out an ESS Resolution opposing the centralization of the Economic Support Program. The resolution states that the County can do it better than the State. **Motion** by Mr. Engeliem to approve this resolution and bring it forward to the full County Board on Tuesday, April 19; **seconded by** Ms. Johnson. **Motion carried.**

Mr. Goettl, Land Records Coordinator, prepared a map showing all the households we provide services for. Statewide one in five are receiving Medicaid. Forty percent in our school system received free or reduced lunches.

**9. Door Scanners**

Mr. McIntyre noted that some doors have scanners. The Human Services offices currently have a push button system that is not working properly. Mr. Cheline, Chief Custodian of Maintenance, informed Mr. McIntyre that the push button system cannot be repaired, there are no replacement parts available. The cost to put scanners on all doors would be around \$1,500. **Motion** by Mr. Engeliem to replace the old system with new door scanners; **seconded by** Mr. Vold. **Motion carried.**

**10. WCHSA Conference in Eau Claire**

Mr. McIntyre will be attending the WCHSA conference at The Plaza in Eau Claire on May 18-20, 2011. The Human Services Board is invited and encouraged to attend. Mr. McIntyre is on the planning committee and has promised a lot of good presentations. Conference material with registration form will be mailed to Human Services members. If anyone is interested in attending, please contact our agency soon.

**11. WCA Legislative Meeting**

Mr. McIntyre, Mark Smick, Jami Kabus, as well as Mike Nelson attended the Wisconsin Counties Association (WCA) Legislative meeting on March 17. Talk centered on how the Repair Bill will affect Human Services.

**12. Budget Repair Bill**

Mr. McIntyre stated that the Budget Repair Bill was in limbo based on Friday's violation of open meeting law. May 23 will be heard. The Personnel Committee will need to go forward like there are contract negotiations going on.

**13. 2011-2013 Biennium Budget**

Mr. McIntyre distributed a handout the Ms. Kabus, Human Resources, had put together explaining the union bargaining rights and what the county would be faced with if there is no collective bargaining

**14. 2010 Budget Summary**

Mr. McIntyre passed out a budget summary that showed a couple of areas of being over-budget: out-of-home care and IMD. The 2012 budget should be even more interesting.

**15. May is Foster Care Appreciation Month**

Mr. McIntyre stated May is Foster Care Appreciation Month and would like a motion to forward this proclamation to Mr. Geske and to have him bring it to the next County Board meeting. **Motion** by Mr. Reichwein to have Mr. McIntyre forward this proclamation to Mr. Geske and then to the full County Board; **seconded** by Ms. Johnson. **Motion carried.**

**16. Review Voucher Summaries – Human Services 2010 & 2011**

- a. **Human Services - \$177,380.89**
- b. **Senior Services - \$36,191.64**

**Motion** by Mr. Reichwein to accept the voucher summaries; **seconded** by Mr. Vold. **Motion carried.**

**17. Next Meeting** will be Monday, May 2, 2011. Mr. McIntyre will check with Mr. Severson regarding the starting time for the Human Services meetings.

**18. Motion** to adjourn by Mr. Engelen at 4:44 p.m.; **seconded** by Mr. Vold. **Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Rob Reichwein  
Secretary