

Trempealeau County Human Services Board Meeting

Meeting called to order by Michelle Haines at 4:02 p.m. in the Wisconsin Room at the Trempealeau County Government Center, Whitehall, Wisconsin on Monday, July 2, 2012.

Board Members Present: Michelle Haines, Arild Engelién, Hensel Vold, Kathy Johnson, Curtis Skoyen, Dora Jean Blaha.

Staff Present: Jeff McIntyre, Kathy Gauger, Elsa Kulig, Mary Anderson

Notice was posted according to open meeting law requirements.

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

Minutes of Prior Human Services Board Meeting – Motion by Mr. Engelién to accept the minutes from the June 4, 2012 meeting; **seconded** by Ms. Blaha. **Motion carried.**

Public Comments – None

6. Approval for Two Social Worker Positions

There are two open positions for social workers in the Family & Children's unit. Mr. McIntyre is asking for approval to fill those two positions. **Motion** by Mr. Engelién to approve the two positions; **seconded** by Mr. Vold. **Motion carried.**

7. Senior Services Aging Plan

Ms. Gauger informed that a new three year plan needs to be submitted for 2013-2015. Six focus areas need a goal for each year of the three year plan. Need to report to the state on if goals are met.

- Development of system of home and community based services
- Older Americans Act Program
- Alzheimer's and related disorders
- Emergency preparedness
- Evidence Based Prevention Program
- Family Caregiver Support Program
- Local Focus Area

First draft has to be into the State by September 1st.

8. ADRC/Senior Services Supervisor Report

Ms. Gauger informed there are more calls to the ADRC. More older callers still healthy and on their own. Looking into if they could use a half time person to assist the social workers. Just seeing where they are at. There is money available in the ADRC budget, plus they are able to 100% time report to bring in federal money, it wouldn't cost the county anything.

Just a heads up – we are renting a freezer at TCHHC or \$60 a month to store frozen meals. The freezer is ready to die and will need a new one. Got quote for \$9500. Per policy Ms. Gauger needs two or more written quotes.

New volunteer driver scheduler (2 hours a day position) is Pam Nelson who replaced Mark Spaeth.

9. Chapter 51 Jail Detention Expense Update

An inmate in the Trempealeau County Jail threatened to harm himself about a month and a half ago and was detained and is now at the TCHCC. 24 hour care is \$680/day. \$25,203 for the month and a half he has been there. This is an unbudgeted expense that we did not plan for. Will be asking the Exec/Finance Committee for that money to be restored to Human Services budget.

10. Income Maintenance Resolution to Support Funding Allocation

When the IM Consortia went into effect in January, our consortia took a \$839,106.00 cut; Trempealeau County took a \$105,000 cut. Want to go with Act 32, the 17% cut across the board. Resolution : To go with Act 32. **Motion** by Mr. Vold to approve the resolution; **seconded** by Ms. Haines. **Motion carried.**
Mr. McIntyre will take this to the full county board at the July 16th meeting.

11. Tax Refund Intercept Program (TRIP)

For families with children on Formal Supervision they are charged \$50/month and for the ones who do not pay, it can now be collected from their income tax refund at tax time.

12. 2012 Budget Resolution

Mr. McIntyre wants to purchase three new vehicles (Ford Fusions) for \$59,655.00. Mr. McIntyre is asking for the approval of a resolution to take \$59,655.00 from Long Term Support Levy and put that into an administration to purchase three vehicles. **Motion** by Mr. Skoyen to approve 2012 budget resolution revision # 1; **seconded** by Mr. Engeliem. **Motion carried.**

Ms. Gauger also moved some money around and needed a motion to approve. **Motion** by Mr. Vold to approve the moving of funds; **seconded** by Ms. Johnson. **Motion carried.**

13. Income Maintenance Consortia Update

There have been long wait times on phone calls. The ADRC has been getting more referrals that they have been sending to IM. There is a possibility of having to lay off staff in 2014. Still holding under budget.

14. Comprehensive Community Services Waiver

Mr. McIntyre is working with Cheryl Lofton from the State of Wisconsin for us to be certified as a Comprehensive Community Services Organization. The benefit of Comprehensive Community Services is a program that allows a lot of flexibility and a lot of creativity for meeting the needs of people who have severe and persistent mental illness who are living in the community.

15. Director's Report

- Staff vacation – There are different interpretations throughout the courthouse. For Human Services staff, you can only use vacation that you have actually accrued. You can no longer use it before you have earned it.

- Received a report on children in out of home care. Trempealeau County has far fewer children in out-of-home care than Jackson County (a similar sized county).

- When FCS receives a report of a death of a child or egregious incident, it has to be reported to the State within 24 hours and within 90 days the FCS Social Worker and Supervisor investigates and files a summary with DCF. That report now becomes public on the state website.

16. Review Voucher Summaries

a. **Human Services - \$252,239.79**

b. **Senior Services - \$49,793.30**

Motion by Ms. Johnson to approve the vouchers; **seconded** by Ms. Blaha. **Motion carried.**

17. **Next Meeting** will be Monday, August 6, 2012 at 4:00 p.m.

18. **Adjourn** – Ms. Haines adjourned the meeting at 5:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rob Reichwein
Secretary