

## HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING

August 12, 2024

The meeting of the Health & Human Services Committee was called to order by County Clerk Liz Otto at 5:00 PM on Monday, August 12, 2024 in person and via remote access at the Government Center, 571 County Road A, Green Lake, WI. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Present: Joe Gonyo  
Mike Skivington  
Brian Floeter (5:04)  
Christine Schapfel  
Richard Trochinski  
Mary Hess  
Nancy Hoffmann

Absent:

Other County Employees Present: Liz Otto, County Clerk; Jason Jerome, HHS Director; Kate Thompson, C&F Social Worker; Lisa Schiessl, C&F Unit Manager; Kayla Yonke, HHS Financial Manager; Jon Vandeyacht, VSO

All members of the committee introduced themselves.

### **ELECTION OF CHAIR**

County Clerk Liz Otto called for nominations for Chair of the HHS committee. *Motion/second (Hoffmann/Schapfel)* to nominate Joe Gonyo as Chair. No other nominations. Unanimous vote cast for Joe Gonyo and he was seated as Chair.

### **ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR**

Chair Gonyo called for nominations for Vice Chair of the HHS committee. Mike Skivington nominated himself. No other nominations. Nancy Hoffmann closed the nominations. Skivington declared Vice Chair by unanimous vote.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 05/13/2024 MINUTES**

*Motion/second (Schapfel/Skivington)* to approve the minutes of the 05/13/2024 minutes as presented with no additions or corrections. Motion carried with no negative vote.

### **APPEARANCES**

- **Love 146 – Kate Thompson, Children & Families Unit**

C&F Unit Manager Lisa Schiessl introduced Kate Thompson to the committee. Thompson gave a presentation on the Love 146 training she received in Fond du Lac in April which involves an international curriculum on human trafficking. The training is geared to 12-18 year olds to provide awareness and the warning signs. Thompson stated that this would be a great learning tool for all of the schools in the area. Questions and discussion followed.

### **DIRECTORS REPORT**

HHS Director Jason Jerome thanked Kate Thompson for her presentation and stressed the value of the training. Jerome stated that he is currently working on the 2025 budget. The application to combine services for the ADRC has been submitted to the state as of 01/01/2025 and he is waiting for that approval.

### **VSO REPORT**

Veterans Service Officer Jon Vandeyacht stated he spent time at the EAA in Oshkosh and talked to approximately 200 veterans from all over the world. The VSO also had a booth set up at the Green Lake County Fair and contacts were made there as well. Vandeyacht stated that they are in need of another volunteer driver for veteran's medical appointments. Discussion held.

### **UNIT REPORTS**

HHS Director Jason Jerome summarized the submitted written reports. He stated that he is in discussion with the County Administrator regarding adding another crisis worker to the 2025 budget in the Behavioral Health unit to help cover the 2<sup>nd</sup> shift time of day.

**PERSONNEL UPDATES** - none

**2025 BUDGET UPDATES**

HHS Director Jason Jerome stated that the annual budget hearing will be held at the next meeting. The operational budget has been submitted. He will provide an organizational chart to committee members at the next meeting with the current structure as well as any proposed changes for 2025.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FOR ACTION AND DISCUSSION**

**Future Meeting Dates** – September 9, 2024 @ 5:00 PM

**Future Agenda Items** – Crisis presentation

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Gonyo adjourned the meeting at 6:02 PM.

Submitted by,

*Liz Otto*

Liz Otto  
County Clerk