

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING

October 14, 2024

The meeting of the Health & Human Services Committee was called to order by Vice Chair Mike Skivington at 5:00 PM on Monday, October 14, 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: Brian Floeter
Mike Skivington
Nancy Hoffmann
Christine Schapfel

Absent: Joe Gonyo
Mary Hess
Richard Trochinski

Remote access unavailable due to technical difficulties until 5:17 PM.

Other County Employees Present: Liz Otto, County Clerk; Jason Jerome, HHS Director; Kayla Yonke, HHS Financial Manager; Shelby Jensen, ESU Unit Manager; Ryan Bamberg, Aging Unit Manager (remote – 5:17)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 09/09/2024 MINUTES

Motion/second (Schapfel/Hoffmann) to approve the minutes of the 09/09/2024 minutes as presented with no additions or corrections. Motion carried with no negative vote.

APPEARANCES

- Shelby Jensen, ESU – Energy Assistance and Unwinding Update

Shelby Jensen, ESU Unit Manager, introduced herself to the committee. Jensen outlined the changes within the unit since the COVID outbreak in 2020. The caseload has increased from approximately 2000 in 2020 to 2900 in 2024. She cited the increased efficiency of remote work for her unit. Discussion held regarding staffing for the increased caseload with Jensen stating that things are going well at this time. Jensen also stated that the county will no longer be providing energy assistance services – that will be done through Advocap from now on.

Jensen left the meeting at 5:28 PM.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

HHS Director Jason Jerome stated that the 2025 budget is in the final stages. Work is continuing to transition to a single unit ADRC as of 01/01/2025. Duties are being updated within the Aging unit and Behavioral Health.

VSO REPORT

No report.

UNIT REPORTS

- C&F – Frank J Crisafi Recognition Award

Jason Jerome congratulated Claire Wendt, Juvenile Justice Worker, as the recipient of the Frank J. Crisafi Recognition Award.

PERSONNEL UPDATES

Jason Jerome stated that one of the Behavioral Health Clinical Therapists has resigned and he is in the process of filling the position. It has worked well recently to fill positions with interns and allow them to work on a part time basis until their schooling is complete.

2025 BUDGET UPDATES

Jason Jerome stated that he met with the County Administrator and Finance Director earlier in the day regarding the budget. There are no major program changes to report.

MEDICAL RECORDS AND 2025 RATE SCHEDULE

Jason Jerome summarized the 2025 rate schedule in the packet and stated that the Health Unit is now offering the high dose flu vaccine so that charge has been added.

Motion/second (Floeter/Schapfel) to approve the medical records and 2025 rate schedule as presented. Motion carried with no negative vote.

3 YEAR AGING PLAN

Ryan Bamberg, Aging Unit Manager, appeared via Teams to present the 2025-2027 Aging Plan. He summarized the main components of the plan and stated that a major aspect of the plan is to build a more structured volunteer base in the future. Discussion held regarding implementation of that plan and ideas for building volunteers. ***Motion/second (Hoffmann/Schapfel)*** to approve the 3 year Aging Plan as presented. Motion carried with no negative vote.

Jason Jerome stated that the Aging Advisory Committee approved changing mealsite caterers as of 01/01/2025 to Markesan Resident Home for the Markesan, Green Lake, and Princeton sites and the Berlin Senior Center for the Berlin Site based on bids submitted. ***Motion/second (Hoffmann/Floeter)*** to approve the 2 year bids from Markesan Resident Home and Berlin Senior Center. Motion carried with no negative vote.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FOR ACTION AND DISCUSSION

Future Meeting Dates – November 11, 2024 @ 5:00 PM

Future Agenda Items:

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Skivington adjourned the meeting at 6:05 PM

Submitted by,

Liz Otto

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County Clerk