

## HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, October 9, 2013

### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairperson Linda Sinkula in the Health and Human Services Conference Room.

### **Present**

Committee members present included Linda Sinkula, Paul Ravet, Helen Horak, Rose Quinlan, Mark Buchanan, Don Delebrea, LeVerle Koenig, Kaye Shillin, Jan Swoboda and Jim Abrahamson. Also present were Human Services Director Greg Thousand, Corporation Counsel Jeff Wisnicky, Ron Opicka of East Shore Industries, Supervisor Ron Heuer and citizen observer Diane Gallenberger.

### **Excused**

Shirley Kirchman

### **Approval of Agenda**

A motion to approve the agenda by LeVerle Koenig was seconded by Kaye Shillin. Motion carried. Director Thousand requested a moment of respectful silence for Sara Malay who died October 7, 2013.

### **Approval of Minutes**

A motion to approve the minutes of the September 11, 2013 meeting by Paul Ravet was seconded by Helen Horak. Motion carried.

### **Approval of Resolution Authorizing NEW Family Care to Enter into a Contract with the Department of Health Services**

Copies of the resolution and an explanation memorandum from the law firm of Phillips and Borowski, S.C. were distributed. Corporate Counsel Wisnicky reviewed the resolution that will go before the County Board October 15, 2013. A "Report to Northeast Wisconsin" from Director Rolf Hanson of Northeast Wisconsin Family Care was also handed out. Following discussion, Abrahamson moved for approval of the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Jan Swoboda and carried unanimously.

### **2014 Budget Update**

Director Thousand reviewed the final 2014 Budget Summary which was distributed. He is targeting an improved collection record through the use of a collection agency.

### **Approval on Payment Responsibility for Persons with Private Insurance**

Director Thousand explained the need for insuring that insurance deductibles are paid to improve the county's collection from those that have insurance. He handed out a proposed policy. Jan Swoboda moved and Kaye Shillin seconded a motion to establish a policy stating: "responsible parties will be liable for their deductible before being eligible for a month-by-month fee payment waiver based on ability to pay".

### **MTM (Transportation) Update**

An update from GWAAR regarding client transportation was handed out. The new transportation provider (MTM) was evaluated with mixed results. It emphasized filing complaints properly when warranted.

**Notice of WCHSA Eastern Region Meeting on October 18<sup>th</sup>**

The agenda for the Wisconsin County Human Service Association was handed out. Director Thousand stated his intention to attend.

**Contract Approvals**

None

**Approval of Travel**

Motion made by Kaye Shillin, seconded by LeVerle Koenig, to approve the travel as requested. Motion carried.

**Approval of Vouchers**

After questions, a motion was made by Jan Swoboda, seconded by Kaye Shillin, to approve the vouchers as presented. Motion carried.

**Public Comments (five minutes per individual)**

None

**Other Items as Authorized by Law**

None

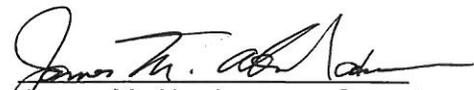
**Next Meeting Date and Time**

The next meeting was scheduled for: **Wednesday, November 13, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.**

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Don Delebreaux, seconded by Mark Buchanan to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
James M, Abrahamson, Secretary