

Kewaunee County
Human Services Committee Minutes

July 9, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Chair Linda Sinkula at 9:00 a.m. Present for the meeting were Mark Buchanan, Virginia Haske, Shirley Kirchman, John Mastalir, Paul Ravet, Kaye Shillin, Mary Ann Szydel, Ken Tebon, Chuck Wagner, and Greg Thousand. Rose Quinlan was excused from the meeting. Also attending the meeting were Ron Opicka and Tracy Nelson from East Shore Industries and Monica Jacobson, Denise Harmann, and Scott Gartzke from Kewaunee County Human Services.

The agenda was reviewed by the committee. Shillin moved to approve the agenda. Haske seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion.

Approval of minutes from the June meeting. Motion by Wagner to approve the minutes. Seconded by Tebon, all voted in favor of the motion.

First on the agenda was an orientation for the committee about the Behavioral Health Unit with special emphasis on the Comprehensive Community Services (CCS) program. Director Thousand reviewed the many different programs and services of this very important unit. Unit Manager Jacobson along with staff Harmann (CCS) and Gartzke (Substance Abuse services) each presented overviews of their respective areas. A regionalized CCS program with expanded funding from the State is underway, along with partner counties Shawano and Door, aimed at increasing efficiencies and broadening service scope to include eligible children and adolescents. After the review, the committee discussed a resolution to take action on a Regional CCS Agreement. Wagner moved to forward the resolution to the full board for approval. Shillin seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion.

Director Thousand gave an update on Family Care for Northeast Wisconsin. The committee discussed some concerns that the State Department of Health Services (DHS) is currently seeking bids to have at least two different Managed Care Organizations (MCO's) administer this program. Once the MCO's are providing long-term services and funding to frail elderly, physically disabled, and developmentally disabled adults, the County will no longer be receiving these funds or administering these services and this will be a fundamental change to what residents and consumers have been accustomed. The Director will be carefully watching what develops with this to keep the committee informed. There was no action taken at this time.

There were no contract approvals for the committee this month.

The travel vouchers were reviewed by the committee. A motion from Ravet to approve the travel was seconded by Mastalir, and all voted in favor of the motion.

The committee reviewed the vouchers for the last month. A motion by Kirchman to approve the vouchers was seconded by Buchanan. All voted in favor of the motion.

There were no other matters discussed at this time. The next meeting date was set by consensus for August 13, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.

Shillin moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:40. Kirchman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by;
Chuck Wagner, Secretary