

Kewaunee County
Human Services Committee Minutes

October 8, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Chair Linda Sinkula at 9:00 a.m. Present for the meeting were Virginia Haske, Shirley Kirchman, John Mastalir, Ken Tebon, Rose Quinlan, Kaye Shillin, Paul Ravet, Mary Ann Szydel, Chuck Wagner, and Greg Thousand. Mark Buchanan was absent from the meeting. Also attending the meeting was Ron Opicka from Eastshore Industries.

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

The minutes were reviewed from the September 4, 2014 meeting. Mastalir moved to approve the minutes. Kirchman seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion.

First on the agenda was to review and discuss the proposed Annual Report for 2013. Director Thousand went through the report for the committee explaining the many changes that took place in 2013. The board had some questions and he answered them along the way.

Next was an update on Family Care. Just in the last 24 hours there were messages sent from the State that could delay the anticipated start up in the county on March 1st, 2015. The Joint Committee on Finance was to hold a meeting yesterday, October 7th, to give the final approval for the Managed Care Organizations that were selected in a competitive bidding process. That meeting was cancelled and a new date has not been set. This will probably have minimal impact on the 2015 Human Services budget since any increases in expenses due to delay will be offset by the revenues generated by the long-term care programs the County will continue administer while awaiting transition to Family Care. However, these delays continue to create worry and uncertainty for consumers, providers, and employees who are impacted by the coming changes. Director Thousand will be checking with the other Northeast Wisconsin counties as well as the State to determine just what this will mean as far as any expected changes to the transition timeline for Kewaunee County and the other six counties comprising the Northeast region.

There were two contract approvals for this month. One for Clarity Care in the amount of \$13,539.60 and the other one to Phoenix Behavioral Center for Autism Therapy in the amount of \$84,023.00. These both are covered under Medicaid and have no county dollars required for them. Quinlan moved to approve the contracts. Shillin seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion.

The travel vouchers were reviewed by the committee. Wagner moved to approve the travel requests. Haske seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion.

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

Mr. Opicka updated the board that they are selling one of the vans they now have.

There were no other matters discussed at this time. The next meeting date was set by consensus for November 12, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.

Kirchman moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:03 a.m. Shillin seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by;

Chuck Wagner, Secretary