



MARATHON COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE AGENDA WITH MINUTES

Date & Time of Meeting: **Wednesday, August 2, 2023, at 3:00pm**

Meeting Location: **Courthouse Assembly Room, Courthouse, 500 Forest Street, Wausau WI 54403**

Michelle Van Krey	Excused
Jennifer Aarrestad	Present
Ron Covelli	Present
Dennis Gonnering	WebEx
Donna Krause	Present
Alyson Leahy	Excused
Bobby Niemeyer	Absent

Staff Present: Lance Leonhard, Michael Puerner, Laura Scudiere, Vicky Tylka, Gary Olsen, Jason Hake, Christa Jensen

WebEx participants: Kurt Gibbs, Chris Holmen, Supervisor Morache, Diane Sennholz

Others Present: Supervisor Hart, Supervisor Robinson

1. **Call Meeting to Order** – Vice Chair Aarrestad called the meeting to order at 3 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Public Comment** - None
4. **Approval of the May 31, 2023, Health and Human Services Committee Meeting Minutes**
Motion by Covelli, second by Krause to approve the minutes. Motion carried on voice vote, unanimously.
5. **Policy Issues Discussion and Potential Committee Determination:** Motion by Covelli, second by Krause to take agenda out of order starting with 7A,7B, 7C proceeding to 5A. Motion carried.
 - A. Request from Executive Committee for this committee to consider how to persuade the State of Wisconsin to restore supplemental payments and certified public expenditure payments to county nursing homes: Administrator Leonhard asked the committee to brainstorm on how to restore supplemental payments. After some discussion the HHS Board recommended Administrator Leonhard to invite Representatives from Madison and Lincoln County to come visit the NCHC Center, it was also mentioned to invite the media.
6. **Operational Functions Required by Statute, Ordinance, Resolution, or Policy**
 - A. Consideration of Request for additional Social Services CLTS/CCS related positions and corresponding budget amendment: Christa Jensen from the Social Services Department explained the CLTS/CCS positions and asked for 8 new positions which would include one accounting specialist, one supervisor and 6 social workers. Motion made by Covelli second by Gonnering to move the request to the HR Finance Committee. Motion carried.
 - B. Consideration whether to recommend the provision of continued funding for service contracts with non-profits (e.g., North Central Community Action Program and United Way 211) in connection with the 2024 Annual Budget Process: Discussion was had with a motion made by Covelli second by Krause to recommend the continued funding for North Central Community Action Program and United 211. Motion carried.
7. **Educational Presentations and Committee Discussion**
 - A. North Central Health Care's Community Programs
 1. Treatment Programs Updates and Opportunities: Vicky Tylka from NCHC explained community programs, she talked about mandated programs and the desired future state of the programs. Gary Olsen said a few words along with Jason Hake who gave an update on expenses. Discussion was had with questions being asked and answered.
 - B. United Way 211 – update on service provision: Megan Schreiber gave a presentation on United Way 211. She talked about what 211 is and does. She said she appreciates the support of Marathon County. Megan also talked about who the 211 system partners with.
 - C. North Central Community Action Program – update on service provision: Diane Sennholz from North Central Community Action Program joined via WebEx and gave a brief overview on the service provision.

8. **Next Meeting Date & Time, Announcements and Future Agenda Items**

A. Committee members are asked to bring ideas for future discussion.

B. Next meeting: Wednesday, September 6, 2023, at 3:00pm

9. **Adjournment**

Motioned by Covelli, second by Krause to adjourn. Motion Carried on voice vote, unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 5:23 p.m.

Minutes Prepared by Kelley Blume, Deputy County Clerk