



# HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, December 1, 2021, at 4:00 p.m.

WebEx/ Courthouse Assembly Room (B105), 500 Forest Street, Wausau WI

Members	Present/Web-Phone	Absent
Chair Tim Buttke	X	
Vice Chair Michelle Van Krey	X	
Kelley Gabor	Phone	
Dennis Gonnering	W	
William Harris	W	
Donna Krause	X	
Tom Seubert	W	

**Also present:** Lance Leonhard, Michael Puerner, Dave Mack, Laura Scudiere, Debra Ryan, and Toshia Ranallo.

**WebEx/Phone:** Craig McEwen, Amy Litzer.

**1. Call Meeting to Order**

Chair Buttke called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

**2. Public Comment**

Amy Litzer, 500 Grand Avenue Wausau, WI 54403, voiced her support for public transportation in all areas of Wausau and the surrounding communities. She suggested local municipalities should contribute and share costs to better serve the citizens who need transportation. Litzer also expressed concerns with a few Metro Ride bus drivers.

**3. MOTION BY HARRIS; SECOND BY VAN KREY TO APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 3, 2021, HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES. MOTION CARRIED.**

**4. Policy Issues Discussion and Potential Committee Determination: None**

**5. Operational Functions required by Statute, Ordinance, or Resolution:**

- A. Approval of the 2022 Elderly and Disabled Transportation (85.21) Grant Application (Dave Mack)

**Discussion:**

Marathon County Planning Manager Dave Mack gave background on a grant program that provides transportation for the elderly and disabled in Marathon County. The grant application will request \$667,550 for program expenses to provide rides for those citizens. Also included in the application are the replacement of seven bus shelters to become ADA compliant.

Supervisors requested yearly and/or monthly numbers of riders utilizing the program. Dave Mack indicated he will provide the information to the committee.

**Action:**

**MOTION BY KRAUSE; SECOND BY GONNERING TO RECOMMEND THE APPROVAL OF THE 2022 ELDERLY AND DISABLED TRANSPORTATION (85.21) GRANT APPLICATION. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Follow Up:**

Forward to the county board.

- B. Update on Strategic Plan Objective 7.2 Progress by Staff

**Discussion:**

Health Officer Laura Scudiere gave a presentation related to progress made on Strategic Plan Objective 7.2. Her presentation can be viewed in the packet on the county website [located here](#).

**Follow Up:**

Committee members to review strategic plan objectives and focus on topics for discussion to achieve plan goals.

**6. Educational Presentations and Committee Discussion - None**

**7. Next Meeting Time, Location, Announcements and Agenda Items:**

- A. Committee members are asked to bring ideas for future discussion
- B. Next Scheduled Meeting: **January 5, 2021, at 4:00 p.m.**

**7. Adjournment**

**MOTION BY KRAUSE; SECOND BY VAN KREY TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 5:02 P.M. MOTION CARRIED.**

The recording of the meeting can be accessed at the link below. <https://tinyurl.com/MarathonCountyBoard>

Respectfully submitted by,  
Toshia Ranallo