

## HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

**DATE:** March 25, 2013

**PLACE:** Human Services 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Classroom – Wisconsin Rapids

**PRESENT:** Peter Hendler, Mike Feirer, Marion Hokamp, Bonnie Jaecks, Doug Machon, Lori Slattery-Smith R.N., Tom Buttke

**EXCUSED:** Donna Rozar, Jeffrey Koszczuk, D.O.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Kathy Roetter, Brandon Vruwink (Human Services), Sue Kunferman, Kathy Alft, Ty Zastava (Health Department), Amy Slattery (Edgewater Haven), Rock Larson (Veteran Service), Lance Pliml (County Board Chair)

**1) Call to Order**

Meeting called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Vice-Chair Hendler.

**2) Quorum**

A quorum was declared.

**3) Public Comments**

Kathy Roetter noted the Wisconsin County Human Services Conference will be held May 8-10 in Wisconsin Dells; brochures will be emailed to committee members when they are received along with registration instructions.

**4) Correspondence**

▫ n/a

**5) Consent Agenda**

Veterans Service report pulled. Motion (Buttke/Slattery-Smith) to approve the consent agenda as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

**6) Discussion and consideration of items removed from consent agenda**

VETERANS – Rock Larson responded to committee member concerns regarding perceived lack of support from Human Resources to draft a Veterans Hiring Preference policy. Motion (Feirer/Buttke) to authorize the Veterans Service Director to draft a Veterans Hiring Preference policy and bring back to the Health & Human Services Committee at their April meeting along with a resolution for possible implementation. All ayes. Motion carried.

**7) Financial Statements – Edgewater Haven, Human Services, Norwood Health Center**

Financial statements were reviewed and specific questions answered by appropriate department heads.

**8) Update on Edgewater Haven renovation project**

Current expense totals compared to budgeted dollars were presented for architect fees, constructions costs, and other fees (such as permits). The project remains under budget.

**9) Approval of Project Manager for Administration Building and permission to go out for bids in April**

Amy Slattery requested we continue to use the same project manager for this portion of the project. Motion (Feirer/Machon) to approve Wade Van Tassel as the Project Manager for the Administration Building and to grant permission to go out for bids in April. All ayes. Motion carried.

**10) Health Department Quality Improvement Presentation (communication project)**

Sue Kunferman introduced Tyler Zastava, Quality Improvement/Emergency Preparedness Manager for the Health Department. Ty described the process of quality improvement (QI) from planning to action, and presented results of an internal communication QI project within the Health Department.

**11) WPHA/WALHDAB annual conference invitation May 22-23, 2013 in Wisconsin Dells**

Sue Kunferman shared the 2013 Public Health Conference details. There are budgeted dollars for committee member attendance. Motion (Buttke/Jaecks) to authorize attendance by committee members. All ayes. Motion carried. If interested, please complete the attendee registration form and mail to the Health Department (attention Kathy or Sue) before April 9<sup>th</sup>.

**12) Human Services Food Share and Employment Training Program Presentation**

Brandon Vruwink presented information on the FoodShare Employment & Training (FSET) program and described how Governor Walker's budget proposal will make two significant changes to the FSET program; 1) regionalization of the program and 2) making a portion of the FoodShare population mandatory to the work program. Brandon provided recommendations for committee consideration. At this time there is no action requested by Human Services.

**13) Review and discussion of the Governor's proposed budget on Human Services**

Kathy Roetter shared an overview of items in the Governor's 2013-15 Biennial Budget involving county Human Services programs; and described the effects anticipated for the income maintenance consortia, as well as areas in mental health.

**14) Legislative Issue Updates**

Department heads provided legislative updates regarding issues pertaining to their departments.

**15) Items for Future Agenda**

Vice-Chair Hendler noted items for future agendas.

**16) Date/Time of Next Meeting(s)**

April 22, 2013; 5:00 p.m., Norwood Health Center, Classroom – Marshfield

**17) Adjourn**

Motion (Buttke/Machon) to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

Minutes taken by Kathy Alft and reviewed by Mike Feirer, Secretary.

Minutes subject to committee approval.

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Mike Feirer, Secretary  
Health and Human Services Committee