

ROCK COUNTY LONG TERM SUPPORT COMMITTEE
January 5, 2010

Call to Order. Acting Chair Jensen called the meeting of the Rock County Long Term Support Committee to order at 1:01 P.M. on Tuesday, January 5, 2010 at the Rock County Job Center.

Committee Members Present: Supervisor Marilyn Jensen, Donna Cavey, Joanne Jones (for John Hanewall), Ann Henning, Mary Jane Patch, Linda Sanders, Steve Hare (for Jennifer Thompson), Anne Weirich, Ed Reich (at 1:05 P.M.), Pat Hubbard (at 1:06 P.M.).

Committee Members Absent: Supervisor Anna Marie Johnson, Richard Ziemendorf.

Staff Members Present: Tom Hermans.

Others Present: Marcy Berner-Reedy, Beloit Meals on Wheels.

Approval of Agenda. Ms. Henning moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Ms. Sanders. ADOPTED.

Approval of Minutes. Acting Chair Jensen requested to have the following changes to Page 1, fourth paragraph under Human Services on line 2, to read "...and Rock County Human Services – Long Term Support will handle..."; and line 3, to read "Rock County Human Services – Long Term Support will handle the entire process." Ms. Patch moved approval of the minutes of November 3, 2009 with these changes, second by Ms. Cavey. ADOPTED as amended.

Citizen Participation. None.

Financial/Statistical Information.

Human Services. Mr. Hare said the people are starting to come off the waiting list. He said, as the Summary page shows, COP and CIP are both negative and they will need to use reserve funds.

Developmental Disabilities. Ms. Jones said the data included in the packet is through October 2009. Ms. Kane has gone through the waiting list and has removed the participants who are deceased, relocated out of state, or are a duplication, which brought the total to 299 consumers.

Old Business.

LTC Reform Update. Mr. Hare said the meeting with the State on November 17, 2009 seems to have cleared up some misconceptions, on both sides, on where everyone is regarding Family Care. Rock County is not ready to go in 2010, but possibly in 2011 or 2012. Hopefully everyone is on the same page now.

Acting Chair Jensen handed out copies of pages 2 – 5 of the Human Services December 1, 2009 minutes. She read from pages 2 and 3 regarding *Department of Health Services (DHS)*

Meeting with Rock County Officials. She said she feels this will help clear up a few misconceptions regarding Family Care too.

New Business.

Approval of COP High Cost Requests. Mr. Hare said he has three requests: 1) For an ALC lift chair for \$1,599. Ms. Jones moved approval to fund this request, second by Ms. Sanders. ADOPTED. 2) To make a home wheelchair accessible by enlarging a doorway, putting an ADA sink and faucet in the bathroom, and removing the carpet and adding vinyl flooring in the hallway for \$2,185. Ms. Hubbard moved approval to fund this request, second by Ms. Patch. ADOPTED. 3) To replace an overhead lift and transfer system for \$9,884.80. Ms. Cavey moved approval to fund this request, second by Ms. Hubbard. ADOPTED. Mr. Hare said these would be paid with additional funds from the State.

Approval of Use of COPS Funds While Institutionalized. Mr. Hare said they have two cases they are requesting funding approval on: 1) to hold a bed open at a CBRF while person was institutionalized. Ms. Hubbard moved approval to fund this request, second by Ms. Jones. ADOPTED. 2) to hold a bed open at a CBRF while person was in a nursing home. Ms. Patch moved approval to fund this request, second by Ms. Cavey. ADOPTED.

LTS Acronyms. Mr. Hare said Ms. Thompson felt this list might be helpful to the Committee. Ms. Sanders said the acronym for Certified Nursing Assistant is CNA not CAN. Acting Chair Jensen asked Mr. Hare to thank Ms. Thompson for this list as it should be very helpful.

Committee Member Comments. Mr. Reich handed out an e-mail he received from Dr. Peat regarding a mix-up the pharmacy made on his thyroid medication. He said the pharmacy mistakenly put oil in, which blocks the absorption of the hormone. He added that he is doing much better since working with Dr. Peat and that he may be well enough to work or do volunteer work within the next year.

Acting Chair Jensen referred to the Human Services Committee minutes of December 1, 2009 she had handed out and read page 2, *Planning Process for Rock Haven* and said she felt this would be of interest to them.

Ms. Weirich handed out fliers, which list the dates, times and places for immunizations as well as the Rock County Health Department's hours, to share with others. She said they still have quite a bit of H1N1 vaccine left if anyone needed vaccinations. Ms. Sanders asked the price with Ms. Weirich replying the H1N1 shots are free. She shared her concern that the third round of the H1N1 virus may be the worst yet, especially if it comes at the same time as the seasonal flu, which they expect to hit sometime in January or February. Mr. Reich suggested taking Vitamin D to help ward off the flu.

Ms. Hubbard asked Mr. Hare or Mr. Hermans if they had heard of any problems getting beds in assisted living? Mr. Hare and Mr. Hermans said they had not heard of any problems, some of the homes may be full but others still have openings.

Next Meeting. The next meeting of this Committee will be Tuesday, March 2, 2010 at 1:00 P.M. at the Job Center.

Adjourn. Mr. Reich moved to adjourn at 1:48 P.M., second by Ms. Henning.
ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Bondehagen
Secretary II

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