

HEALTH SERVICES COMMITTEE

October 5, 2010

PRESENT: Supervisors Bussie, Fizzell, Johnson and Fox

ABSENT: Kuznacic (Resigned from the County Board effective September 24)

ALSO PRESENT: Sherry Gunderson, David Sudmeier, Ginger Katzman, Tom Berner, David Hayes, Brent Sutherland

CALL TO ORDER/APPROVAL OF AGENDA - Chair Bussie called the meeting of the Rock County Health Services Committee to order at 3:00 p.m. in the Rock Haven Classroom. Supervisors Fox and Fizzell moved approval of the agenda. ADOPTED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - September 7, 2010 (Jt. GS/HSC and HSC) - Supervisors Fox and Fizzell moved approval of the minutes of the Joint General Services/Health Services Committee meeting on September 7, 2010 and the Health Services Committee meeting on September 7, 2010. ADOPTED.

INTRODUCTION OF CITIZENS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS - In attendance: Warren Rudolph, RH council; Jim Haseman, Volunteer Ombudsman.

A General Services Committee member mentioned to Chair Bussie that it would be helpful if citizens who are commenting at meetings would give their names before doing so. Chair Bussie will mention this to Supervisor Owens who will be chairing the next joint meeting. Chair Bussie announced that Supervisor Kuznacic resigned from the Rock County Board September 24. She has taken a position at UW Whitewater.

BILLS - Supervisors Johnson and Fox moved to pay the bills totaling \$13,706.02. ADOPTED.

BUDGET TRANSFERS - Supervisors Fizzell and Fox moved the budget transfer totaling \$7,000. ADOPTED.

PREAPPROVED ENCUMBRANCE/ENCUMBRANCES - None.

OLD BUSINESS - None.

NEW BUSINESS

Contract - Charter Cable Partners, LLC - Ms. Gunderson said Charter has offered a better rate which will result in savings. Supervisor Johnson and Chair Bussie moved to approve the contract. ADOPTED.

Medicaid Reimbursement Update - Ms. Gunderson said the Wisconsin Association of Homes and Services for the Aging (WAHSA) is working with the State to find out why nursing homes will not be receiving the two percent increase they were promised. All lobbying efforts, thus far, have been unsuccessful.

Transition to MDS 3.0 - The transition date for the Minimum Data Set (MDS) 3.0 update was October 1. The good news is the updates have made Melyx programs more user friendly. Medicaid RUGs for each resident are now available so staff are better able to track the MA case mix.

Plans to Tour Newer Nursing Homes - Ms. Gunderson will be touring Winnebago County's new Park View facility and Felician Village in Manitowoc on October 8.

Planning for New Facility - The architects are scheduled for another visit on October 13 to work on the final design phase with staff. They will then return on October 27 to show the workgroup the presentation they will be giving to the joint committees on November 2. Epstein Uhen's presentation to the County Board is scheduled for November 18. Plans will then be to move forward with design development. General Services has included \$850,000 in its 2011 budget for the construction document. A budget amendment will be needed later to include final construction costs. Hopefully the bidding process can begin in May of next year, groundbreaking that summer, and the move in October, 2012. Mr. Sutherland said geothermal testing will begin Thursday.

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Census - Ms Gunderson said Rock Haven is still struggling with its census. There were nine admissions last month and there are currently six empty beds. An admission is planned for tomorrow with a few referrals in progress.

Chair Bussie asked if residents have received their H1N1/flu shots. Ms. Gunderson said they have but there has been a new wrinkle added to the process. The State now requires a new consent each year, and that has proven a little more challenging as the consents are not always received back in a timely fashion. There are 15 to 20 residents for which consents have not yet been received. The first round of employee vaccines have been given with another session scheduled for next Wednesday.

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Activity Report - The Senior Management Team continues to work on plans for the new facility, survey readiness and Life Safety Code issues. Staff education for October will focus on the switch to MDS 3.0. Documentation inservices will be held for CNAs and RNs, and Hospice Care will be conducting its annual inservice for nursing staff.

Resident Council - The next Resident Council meeting will be held Tuesday, October 12. Election of new officers will be held in November.

Conferences - Sherry will attend the WAHSA Conference October 6-8. She and Mr. Sudmeier will attend the WAHSA Annual Reimbursement Seminar on October 26.

Finance - Mr. Sudmeier noted that total patient days for August were down because of patient mix but the facility was still doing well on the revenue side due to an increase in private pay days.

NEXT MEETING DATE - The next regular Health Services Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 2, at 2:30 p.m. in the Rock Haven Apartment, after which members will adjourn to the Rock Haven Classroom to attend the Joint General Services/Health Services Committees meeting at 3:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT - Supervisors Johnson and Fox moved to adjourn the meeting. ADOPTED. The meeting adjourned at 3:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Terri Fena

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