

**MINUTES OF THE IOWA COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING  
BOARD MEETING ON JULY 6, 2007**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m. in the Iowa County Board of Supervisors Room, Iowa County Courthouse, Dodgeville, WI 53533.

**ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS:** Betty stated we have three new members that were introduced to the Board. Geri Peterson introduced Lorraine Fritsch our new member from Cobb and Millie Swedlund, our new representative from Barneveld. Ron Benish introduced Lorraine Drews our new representative from the Highland area. The COA Board members and COA Staff introduced themselves to the new members. Roll call was taken by Betty Walsh

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ron Benish, Lorraines Drews, Lorraine Fritsch, Lorraine Jones, Eva Kraak, MaryClaire Murphy, Margaret Peat, Geri Peterson, Phil Roberts, Mildred Swedlund, Rosalie Zweifel.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Judy Lindholm, Betty Walsh, Alvina Sturz

**MEMBERS EXCUSED:** Carol Brown, Tom Mueller, Phyllis Reddell.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**CERTIFICATION OF MEETING:** Judy Lindholm reported that the meeting had been posted and certified as required by law. A motion to approve the certification was made by Ron Benish and seconded by Phil Roberts. Motion carried without negative vote.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** A motion to approve the agenda was made by Eva Kraak and seconded by Margaret Peat. Motion carried without negative vote.

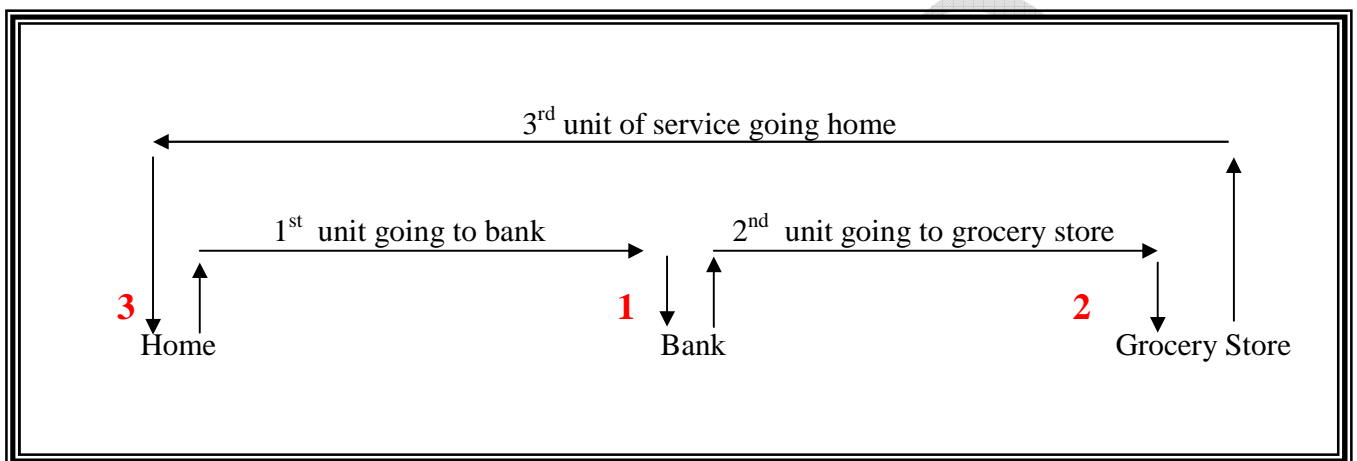
**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A motion to approve the minutes was made by Eva Kraak and seconded by Margaret Peat. Motion carried without negative vote.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Judy reviewed the Financial Report expenses vouchers 1153 through 1184 totaling \$31,868.44 and income vouchers 1185 through 1191 totaling \$89,351.55 and handed it out for review. Eva Kraak had asked that we do that and Betty will see that it is done.

**APPOINTMENT OF AGEADVANTAGE ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBER:** Betty asked Margaret Peat if she would be interested in being our representative to the AgeAdvantAge Advisory Council. Margaret agreed to accept the position. A motion was made by Ron Benish and seconded by Eva Kraak to approve Margaret Peat as our AgeAdvantAge representative to the Advisory Council. Motion carried without negative vote.

**REVIEW OF BY-LAWS:** Judy reviewed the By-Laws with the Board and a discussion ensued. Judy will make the suggested corrections. With the corrections that Judy will make a motion was made by Margaret Peat and seconded by Phil Roberts to approve the By-Laws. Motion carried without negative vote.

**TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR'S REPORT:** Betty Walsh gave her report for the month of June and reviewed it with the Commission on Aging Board. Phil Roberts asked about the count of units for this year compared with last year's? Betty explained that previous to mid 2006 we had been just counting 2 units for each client who rode the bus and didn't pay attention to how many different places they got on and off during the day. We now count a unit of service as every time we move the rider from one point to another. For instance a rider gets on the bus at home and rides to the bank and gets off. That is one unit of service. The rider then leaves the bank and gets back on the bus and gets off at the grocery store. That is the second unit of service. Finally the rider gets back on the bus and rides home. That is the third and final unit of service for that rider for that day. Following is a diagram that demonstrates the new way of counting units of service:



Betty stated that she found out that other counties were doing this so, therefore we certainly wanted to be able to count all of the units. It makes us look much better when we send them to the State. Betty stated that we started using the new system in mid 2006. A motion was made to accept the Transportation Coordinator's report by Phil Roberts and seconded by Ron Benish. Motion carried without negative vote.

**BENEFIT SPECIALIST REPORT AND TRAINING:** Alvina Sturz gave her report for the month of June and reviewed it with the COA Board. A discussion ensued about the different things that low income people can receive besides the \$30.00 vouchers for the home grown Wisconsin fruits and vegetables. There are other services available through Social Services which a lot of low income people do not know about and the COA Office is giving them information about these other services. A motion was made by Eva Kraak and seconded by Margaret Peat to accept the Benefit Specialist Report. Motion carried without negative vote.

**COUNTY AGENCY REPORTS:** There were no county agencies at the meeting to report.

**SUN REPORT:** SUN has not had a meeting yet this month. Phil Roberts stated they are working on several things that need to be dealt with. Judy stated that the Move More Eat Better Program is now being held in Dodgeville, Barneveld, Arena and Linden. A motion was made by Eva Kraak and seconded by Margaret Peat to accept the Benefit Specialist Report. Motion carried without negative vote.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND TRAININGS:** Judy reported that Congressman Kind would be at the Courthouse on Monday July 9, 2007 at 9:00 a.m.

Judy asked if anyone received the transportation survey that was sent out. Phil Roberts stated he did receive one and filled it out to send back. Phil remarked about the people who live in the Country and the lack of transportation for them. Judy stated that we hope in time that problem can also be solved.

Judy told the COA Board that she will be gone from July 30, 2007 until August 13, 2007 as she and members of her family are going to Switzerland to meet other relatives who are still in Switzerland.

**ADRC REPORT:**

- a. **Proposal of dual county participation with Grant County:** Judy reported on ADRC activity. Judy stated that Grant County would like to break away from the other 3 counties involved and would like Iowa County to join them. Judy asked the Board if they had any feelings in regard to this issue. A discussion ensued and it was decided that unless we decided to break from the consortium, no vote was necessary.

**ACTION ON FINANCIAL REPORT:** A motion was made by Phil Roberts and seconded by Ron Benish to approve the Financial Report. Motion carried without negative vote.

**REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM OTHER BOARD MEMBERS AND AN OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE TO ADDRESS THE**

**BOARD:** Rosalie Zweifel reported that AARP would be meeting on July 17<sup>th</sup> at Stonefield and aprons would be on display. Rosalie stated that SHARE would be held on July 28<sup>th</sup> at Kindercastle from 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** Geri Peterson suggested that the next meeting would be held on August 3, 2007, at the meal site at the Dodgeville Grace Lutheran Church at 12:00 noon for lunch followed by the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by Margaret Peat and seconded by Ron Benish to adjourn the meeting at 2:50 p.m. Motion carried without negative vote.

Respectfully submitted;

Betty Walsh COA Staff Secretary

Eva Kraak, COA Board Secretary