# MINUTES Iowa County – Health and Human Services Committee September 3, 2008

- 1. The Health and Human Services Committee met in the County Board Room of the Iowa County Courthouse in the City of Dodgeville on Wednesday, September 3, 2008 at 6:15 p.m. and was called to order by Sup. Bill Ehr.
- 2. Roll call was taken.

Committee members present: Sups. Dan Oleson, Greg Parman, John Meyers, Phil Mrozinski, Tom Mueller, Bill Ehr, and Ron Benish. Excused/absent: John Lind.

Also present: Wally Orzechowski, Darin Smith and Randy Terronez, County Administrator.

- 3. Motion by Sup. Ron Benish, second by Sup. Tom Mueller to approve the certification of the meeting. Motion carried.
- 4. Motion by Sup. Tom Mueller, second by Sup. Phil Mrozinski to approve the agenda for this September 3, 2008 meeting. Motion passed.
- 5. Motion by Sup. Tom Mueller, second by Sup. Greg Parman to approve the minutes of the August 6, 2008 meeting. Motion carried.

Randy Terronez informed the Committee of a new process. The minutes of the committee meeting are included in the regular Board meeting agenda packet (e.g. August 19) and also the committee meeting agenda packet (e.g. Sept. 3). In the future, the minutes will only be included in the regular Board meeting agenda packet.

- 6. Open session Comments from audience /Committee members: None.
- 7. Department/Agency Reports

## **Bloomfield Manor**

# **Long Term Planning Study – October Presentation**

The Bloomfield Manor Committee in reviewing an exterior project identified the need for a long-term plan. A variety of nursing homes (both county-run and non-profit) has used the executive director of the state nonprofit nursing home association to undertake a long term master plan and would work as a facilitator in this process. He will be scheduled to make a presentation on a proposed scope of a long term study of Bloomfield Manor at the October Committee meeting.

### **Social Services**

#### **Protective Services Placement**

Darin Smith reviewed agenda enclosure. This type of case is probably the 1<sup>st</sup> time in 10-15 years. The Department will be responsible for payment but will be short-lived as the client's classification will change and put the individual at the top of the Unified waiting list. Additionally, the upcoming Family Care program would automatically assume the responsibility for these types of cases.

#### **Hodan Center**

### **Kitchen CDBG Grant Update**

Agenda enclosure reviewed. As noted in the agenda enclosure, Hodan Center's Finance Committee decided to turn down grant funds. The lesser award (\$750, 000 was requested but \$500,000 was awarded) and the  $1/3^{\rm rd}$  funding commitment combined to make the project financially unfeasible.

However, after review at the Hodan Board of Directors meeting, the project was put back on the front burner. The Center was able to get clarification from the state lifting the 1/3 condition as well as allowing the agency to raise other funds to cover the total project costs. Copies of the proposed resolution authorizing the application submission were distributed. Committee members reiterated concern on no county financial liability.

Motion by Sup. Tom Mueller second by Sup. Phil Mrozinski to approve the Authorizing Resolution for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds regarding the Hodan Center kitchen project subject to the County having no financial liability and forward to the full Board. Motion passed.

## **SW Community Action Agency Presentation**

Wally Orzechowski from SW CAP was present and distributed handout of the agency's programs. Among the new initiatives are a mental health program and a dental program for Iowa County residents.

Committee members expressed appreciation for the wide range of programs offered by the agency.

#### Other

# **Strategic Planning**

Randy Terronez distributed draft plan that recaps the Friday, August 22 and Saturday, August 23 sessions. Paul Ohlrogge will be giving a brief presentation at the Sept. 16 Board meeting.

# 2009 Budget Overview and Scheduling Budget Review Sessions

Randy Terronez gave a brief update. As the County has now received the net new construction figure from the state, it is anticipated that the recommended budget will be presented at the September 16

Board meeting. It was agreed to schedule a special Justice Committee to review budgets for 6:15 p.m., Wednesday, October 1.

# Senior/Low Income Energy Assistance

Sup. Bill Ehr pointed out the poor outlook for seniors and low income for this projected harsh winter season. He suggested a meeting with County and non-county agency representatives with the religious community to develop an outreach effort. The outreach would make clients aware of the services available and to encourage their utilization even among somewhat reluctant elderly population.

Darin Smith gave update on meetings held and suggested an informational packet for clients.

A meeting will be scheduled and committee members will be invited.

- 8. A special Committee meeting for the 2009 budget review was set for 6:15 p.m., Wednesday, October 1. The next (regular) meeting date will be Wednesday, October 8, 2008 at 6:15 p.m.
- 9. Motion by Sup. Ron Benish, second by Sup. John Myers to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Minutes by Randy Terronez, County Administrator

