

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

DATE: July 19, 2017

PLACE: Edgewater Haven – Conference Room 110, Administration Building, Port Edwards

PRESENT: Donna Rozar, Adam Fischer, Brad Kremer, Dennis Polach, Tom Buttke, Jessica Vicente, Lori Slattery-Smith R.N., Marion Hokamp (arrived during the tour)

EXCUSED: Jeffrey Koszczuk, D.O.

ALSO PRESENT (for all or part of the meeting): Brandon Vruwink, Jordon Bruce (Human Services), Cindy Robinson (Edgewater Haven), Kathy Alft (Health), Rock Larson (Veterans), Bill Clendenning (County Board Supervisor)

1) Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chair Rozar.

2) Quorum

A quorum was declared.

3) Public Comments

Chair Rozar announced the Human Services budget public hearing will be held August 16, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. in the Wood County Annex & Health Center classroom.

4) Presentation by property owner in Marshfield regarding possibility of relocating Human Services City Hall offices and Cornerstone

Chris and Erin Howard, LMH Properties, introduced themselves. Rozar stated she toured of this building with Adam Fischer, Brandon Vruwink, and Reuben Van Tassel as a possibility for relocating both the City Hall Human Services offices and Cornerstone. Chris and Erin described their project proposal to provide leased space for Human Services and responded to Committee member questions.

5) Strategic Planning for Human Services/Norwood/Edgewater Haven

Jordon Bruce and Cindy Robinson led the Committee on a tour of Edgewater Haven. Upon return from the tour and with Committee consensus, the closed session was moved up to before the strategic planning discussion.

6) Closed Session

Motion (Buttke/Fischer) to convene into closed session pursuant to 19.85(1)(e) Wis. Stats. for deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties; Rozar: Aye, Fischer: Aye, Kremer: Aye, Polach: Aye, Hokamp: Aye, Slattery-Smith: Aye, Buttke: Aye, Vicente: Aye. Motion carried. The Committee went into closed session at 6:16 p.m. for information gathering purposes only as it pertains to considerations of leased space in Marshfield.

7) Open Session

Motion (Kremer/Fischer) to return to open session at 6:29 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried. The Committee returned to open session to continue with Strategic Planning discussion for Human Services.

[Lori Slattery-Smith excused]

Initial discussion was specific to Edgewater Haven and focused on the importance of getting details for capital improvement dollars budgeted. Jordon Bruce and Cindy Robinson continue to work on gathering concrete revenue numbers. Discussion led to consequences if not compliant with surveys and Jordon described how the least likely desirable fix would be done if Edgewater Haven received a citation.

Supervisor Fischer expressed concern with where the conversation was going, noting we need to list goals and create policy, before focusing on the bonding issue. Chair Rozar shared that the goals discussed at the prior meeting relating to Edgewater Haven were 1) providing quality care, 2) upgrading the facility, and 3) enhancing marketing. Although these goals were not formalized, Rozar thought there was Committee consensus they were worth pursuing.

Supervisor Kremer stated there is uncertainty of where the \$1 million of proposed bonding that was removed from the resolution would go, and there is a reasonable assumption that it would not go to Edgewater Haven. He further stated that more knowledge needs to be shared with county board members; people who don't understand what the Committee is proposing, and where Edgewater Haven will be in 5 or 10 years. A lengthy discussion surrounding mandated services transpired. Brandon Vruwink shared an electronic copy of mandated services of the Human Services Department and described the rankings within.

Motion (Buttke/Kremer) to charge Human Services (Community, Norwood, and Edgewater Haven) to include a narrative of improvements with historical perspectives, along with short- and long-term goals as part of their budget presentations next month. All ayes. Motion carried. For clarification purposes, this would not be a strategic plan but rather a summary of mandated services, outcomes, success stories, etc. This will become a work in progress as part of the budget process.

8) Next meeting

- July 27, 2017, 5 pm, Wood County Annex & Health Center, Classroom - Marshfield

9) Adjourn

Chair Rozar declared the meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Minutes taken by Kathy Alft and reviewed by Marion Hokamp, Secretary.

Minutes subject to Committee approval

Marion Hokamp, Secretary