

SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES

COMMITTEE: SOCIAL SERVICES
DATE: MARCH 12, 2024
TIME: 1:00 P.M.
PLACE: FOREST COUNTY BOARDROOM

CALL TO ORDER

Skallerud called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Gretzinger, Karl, Marvin, Skallerud

Absent:

Others Present: Tracy Ferraro, Kathy Fohrman, Nora Matuszewski

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Karl to approve the agenda as presented and forego reading, allowing the chair to move items as needed, second by Marvin. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

APPROVE SOCIAL SERVICES MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 29, 2024 MEETING

Motion by Gretzinger to approve the minutes from the February 29, 2024 Social Services meeting, second by Karl. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

CLOSED SESSION

The committee may consider a motion to convene into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. §19.85(1)(c) “considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction responsibility, and Wis. Stat. § Sec.19.85(1)(e) deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session,” this closed session relates to:

- Review of the Feasibility Study on the Governance & Management Structure for Human and Social Services

Motion by Karl to convene to closed session, second by Marvin. All present voting, Gretzinger (AYE), Karl (AYE), Marvin (AYE), Skallerud (AYE). Motion carried.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION TO TAKE ACTION, IF APPROPRIATE ON MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Karl to reconvene to open session to take action, if appropriate on matters discussed in closed session, second by Marvin. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

- Motion by Karl to approve the resolution for the structure to replace the Human Service Center in 2025 in Forest County and forward to full County Board for approval, second by Marvin. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

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- Motion by Karl to approve the formation of a transition committee to work on the new structure of the Human Service Department; members- Gretzinger, Skallerud, Fohrman, Miller, Ferraro, second by Marvin. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

DIRECTOR UPDATES:

1) Ferraro has applied and received a grant from WPS for \$1,000 and applied for a \$3,000 grant with the Tribe for the Community Closet

2) Ferraro requested to approve Saari attending the Alzheimer's Convention at the Kalahari, May 5th and 6th, which will give her much needed training.

Motion by Gretzinger to approve Saari attending the convention, second by Marvin. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

3) Ferraro asked about Crisis Intervention training for her and Schmelling because of the need for it as soon as possible with what may be coming.

Motion by Gretzinger to approve the Crisis Intervention training for Ferraro and Schmelling, second by Karl. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

4) Ferraro went through the budget and explained some items that may be over because of drug testing issues they are running into and costs for transportation for a family.

5) Ferraro went through all of her manager training that has been completed and she is very close to completing a long list of classes.

6) Ferraro went through all the placements, open and closed cases for the previous month.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Director Updates
- Economic Support Worker interviews
- Next meeting set for March 28th at 1:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, motion by Marvin to adjourn, second by Gretzinger. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 2:56 p.m.