

PUBLIC HEARING -Florence County Plan for Older People for 2014 and the draft application for Section 85:21 Specialized Transportation Aides, Wednesday, Oct. 30, 2013 – 5:30 p.m. Courthouse, Florence, WI 54121

A Public Hearing to consider oral and written comments for the 2014 Budget Plan for Older People and the draft 2014 application for Section 85:21 Specialized Transportation Aides was held at the Florence County Courthouse on Wednesday, Oct. 30, 2013 at 5:30 p.m.. The hearing was called to order by ADRC Board Chairperson Susan Theer. Public notice of the Hearing was published in the Florence Mining News on Oct. 16th and Oct. 23, 2013. Additionally copies of the notice of public hearing were posted at the Florence County Courthouse, the U.S. Post Office, the Hillcrest School/Woodland Kitchen and the Florence Senior Dining Site. Copies of the 2014 Budget Plan and draft 2014 Specialized Transportation Aides were available for public review prior to and during the meeting. In attendance were: Barb Bauer, Susan Theer, Sherry Johnson, Fumiko McLain, Karen Wertanen, Tina Sonkowsky, John Halada, Cindy Halada, and Ron Erickson. The Specialized Transportation Aides application describes how Florence County will utilize funds to assist people age 60 and over and persons with disabilities with transportation needs. It included a review of available vehicles, routes, and coordination efforts. Theer called for comments oral or written three times. No written comments or inquiries were received in the office. No oral comments were offered. Being that there was no further discussion or written comments to review, the public hearing was adjourned.

ADRC of Florence County Governing Board/Commission on Aging
Wednesday, Oct. 30, 2013 – Immediately Following Public Hearing
2nd Floor Conference Room, Florence, WI 54121

Attendance: The Aging and Disability Resource Center of Florence County Governing Board/ Commission on Aging met pursuant to adjournment on Wednesday, Oct. 30, 2013 immediately following the public hearing at the Florence County Courthouse. The meeting was called to order by the Chairperson Susan Theer. Members present: Susan Theer, Tina Sonkowsky, John Halada, Cindy Halada, Karen Wertanen, Sherry Johnson and Fumiko McLain and Ron Erickson. Absent: Bill Behrmann. Also attending ADRC/Aging Director Barb Bauer.

Minutes/Agenda: It was moved by Wertanen and seconded by Johnson to approve the minutes of the Sept. 18, 2013 meeting as printed. Motion carried unanimously. On a motion made by S. Johnson, seconded by McLain and voted unanimous the agenda was approved as posted.

Nutrition Program: Bauer updated the board on the Homestead/Hillcrest sites. It was moved by Johnson and seconded by Sonkowsky to have Bauer arrange a meeting with Town of Homestead representatives to discuss options. Susan Theer and possibly Karen Wertanen will also attend. Motion carried.

Budget/Plan of Work: The 2014 proposed budget/plan of work was discussed. It was noted that there were no plan amendments necessary for the 2013-15 plan. It was moved by Johnson and seconded by Erickson to approve the 2014 budget/plan. Motion carried.

2014 85:21 Specialized Transportation Assistance Application: It was moved by Johnson and seconded by J. Halada to approve the draft application and submit to County Board for approval. Motion carried.

Board Member Recruitment: Bauer reported that we are still looking for representation on the board for the developmentally disabled. Other members will also be needed to represent older citizens as terms expire for current board members.

2014 ADRC Budget and Update: Bauer reported that the proposed budget and update are due in December. The budget was discussed. It was moved by Johnson and seconded by McLain to approve the budget and update using a Federal reimbursement rate of 38% for 2014. Motion carried.

Staff Vacation Carryovers: Discussion was held on a staff requesting vacation carry over. One staff person was requesting the hours be carried to be used in January. County policy would like to see everyone use their allotted time in 2013 unless there are extenuating circumstances that prevent its use.

Affordable Care Act: Bauer distributed the ADRC Operational Practice Guidelines explaining the roles of ADRC's in Wisconsin's Regional Enrollment Networks and the Health Insurance Marketplace.

Administrators Report: Bauer reported on recent and upcoming educational offerings from the ADRC. Upcoming travel and trainings were then discussed. It was moved by Johnson and seconded by McLain to approve attendance at the upcoming trainings. Motion carried

Adjournment: Being that there was no further business to be discussed at this time, it was moved by Wertanen and seconded by Erickson to adjourn. Motion carried.