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Florence County Human Services Meeting Minutes

Thursday, May 26, 2022-5pm

Upstairs Conference Room

Present: Sherry Johnson, Vicki Antonini, Susan Theer, Ed Kelley, Jim Dunkel, Jason Neuens, Tom Jonet, and Charles Kellstrom

Excused: Gary Steber

Others: Ann Price, Erica Hallgren, Janet Nanninga, and Rebecca Kelley

Roll: Call to order by A. Price at 5:00PM. Roll Call noted members present with Gary Steber being excused.

Agenda: Motion by T. Jonet and supported by S. Johnson to approve the agenda as posted, unanimously approved.

Minutes: Motion by T. Jonet and supported by S. Johnson to approve meeting minutes from March 24, 2022. Minutes were unanimously approved.

Chairperson: A. Price called for nominations from the floor for Human Services Board Chairperson. E. Kelley nominates Sherry Johnson. A. Price called for further nominations three times. Moved by E. Kelly seconded by S. Theer, that nominations for Human Services Chairperson be closed and a unanimous ballot be cast for Sherry Johnson. All Ayes.

Price turned the meeting over to Chairperson S. Johnson.

Vice-Chairperson: S. Johnson called for nominations from the floor for Human Services Vice-Chair. S. Theer nominated Charles Kellstrom. S. Johnson called for further nominations three times. Moved by S. Theer seconded by V. Antonini, that nominations for Human Services Vice Chairperson be closed and a unanimous balled be cast for C. Kellstrom. All Ayes.

Appoint Board Members: J. Neuens was appointed as a new board member and is taking over a term from C. Nichols and is good until 2023.

Resignation of Community Services Social Worker: Motion by J. Dunkel to accept the resignation, second by S. Theer, unanimously approved.

Recruitment and replacement of Community Services Social Worker: A. Price updated on the replacement of this position. She had noted that there are 2 applications in at this time. She also stated that she has informed many colleges on this opening and has posted this on the County Website, Wisc.Jobs, and the Florence County Mining News. Motion by V. Antonini, second by J. Dunkel to approve the recruitment and replacement of Community Services Social Worker, unanimously approved.

Approval to advertise and recruit Human Services Program Assistant: A. Price informed the Board on filling a previous position. This position was a part time Coordinated Services Team (CST) and the Human Services Department would like to make it a full time position to cover the CST Grant part-time and the other half would be a range of other Grants that the Department has with the new person to report to a Lead Social Worker. A. Price also stated that she would like to adjust this position to make it a no degree position with a background in Human Services, she has also been in contact with Heidi Johnson from Investment HR to research this position. Heidi said it would be a Program Assistant which would be between Grades 12 and 13. S. Johnson suggested to put in job description that this position is contingent on Grant funds, and other duties as assigned, she also suggested to contact Donna Trudell to make sure this was a previous position. After review and discussion there was a motion by V. Antonini to advertise and second by S. Theer, unanimously approved.

Financial Reports: A. Price and E. Hallgren updated the Board on the contract with CLA. A. Price also updated the Board on trainings. Motion by J. Neuens, second by S. Theer to approve March (partial) – May expenditures, unanimously approved.

Child and Family Unit Report: R. Kelley stated that it is fairly steady, she talked about Youth Justice Training and is already implementing what they went over. Unit is doing well.

Community Services Unit Report: J. Nanninga is working with ADRC at meal sites to make them aware of Scams and how easy it is to be a target. She is also working with J. Robinson on her transition of leaving the Human Services Dept. They are going over her clients and are preparing binders for new worker.

Northern Income Maintenance Consortium: A. Price updated the Board that Florence has received high marks on the Lobby, Brochures, Vault Cards (Food Cards) being displayed and stored correctly. L. Vassar is doing very well in her position and has already been receiving phone calls. Susana is going to be the Consortium Spanish interpreter they are very excited about this and are going to split the interpreter compensation into 50% being Income Maintenance and 50% being Child Care contingent on the case.

Housing: E. Hallgren informed the Board that she will be reviewing the Housing and Board members on this and get a meeting scheduled in August. A. Price also added that we have sent out letters and received payments.

Directors Repots: Discussion about Comprehensive Community Services (CCS), telecommuting and training log. Motion by S. Theer to approve telecommuting for NIMC Child Care Worker and Training Log, second by V. Antonini, unanimously approved.

Board Member Comments or Future Agenda Items: None

Motion by J. Dunkel, seconded by S. Theer the Board unanimously adjourned.

Next Meeting: Thursday, August 11, 2022 (Budget Hearing) at 5:00 pm