

**MINUTES OF THE IOWA COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING MEETING ON  
FEBRUARY 1, 2008, AT 1:00 P.M. IN THE IOWA COUNTY BOARD OF  
SUPERVISORS ROOM, IOWA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, DODGEVILLE, WI.**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Geri Peterson at 1:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS:** There were no introductions.  
Roll call was taken by Betty Walsh

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ron Benish, Geri Peterson, Lorraine Drews, Lorraine Fritsch, Jack Jinkins, Phil Roberts, Mildred Swedlund.

**ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Lorraine Jones, MaryClaire Murphy, Rosalie Zweifel, Cecile McManus, Shelly Klopp.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Judy Lindholm, Betty Walsh, Nancy Howard.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Randy Terrenez, Iowa County Administrator.

**MEMBERS EXCUSED:** Carol Brown, Eva Kraak, Margaret Peat, Phyllis Reddell.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None.

**CERTIFICATION OF MEETING:** Judy Lindholm, reported that the meeting had been posted and certified as required by law. A motion to approve the certification was made by Ron Benish and seconded by Phil Roberts. Motion carried without negative vote.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A motion was made by Lorraine Drews and seconded by Jack Jinkins to approve the agenda. Motion carried without negative vote.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A motion was made by Lorraine Drews and seconded by Jack Jinkins to approve the January 4, 2008, minutes. Motion carried without negative vote.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Judy Lindholm reported the expenses for January including vouches 1000 through 1027 totaling \$19,870.96 and income for January including vouches 1028 through 1031 totaling \$1,127.44. Judy also reported on income received in January but put back into December, 2007 totaling \$2,382.45.

**BENEFIT SPECIALIST REPORT AND TRAININGS:** Nancy Howard, Benefit Specialist gave her report for January and reviewed it with the Commission on Aging Board.

Nancy reported that the Mineral Point Council has agreed to clean up the Mineral Point Senior Citizens Building.

Nancy reported that she and Alvina had been working with Judy Heiden of the Wisconsin Blind Association for folks with low vision.

Nancy reported on fraud calls regarding Part D Medicare. Nancy stated that no one should give out any information like Social Security numbers or credit cards.

At this time Betty stated that she has received several notices that look like Social Security letters but definitely are not.

**COUNTY AGENCY REPORTS:** Shelly Klopp from Social Services reported that Marlin Harms has received more money for energy assistance. She stated that those that received money before could apply for more assistance and Marlin will still take applications. Ron asked how much money they can get help for and Shelly said that it depends on their financial status and she would get the information for him. Shelly reported that they have been working on elder abuse both neglect and financial.

**SUN REPORT:** Cecile McManus, Director of SUN, reported she has been busy doing yearly updates on assessments on all home delivered meals.

Cecile reported that the U. W. Platteville has been doing meals for Rewey, Linden and Highland. Folks in those areas have been asked if they need extra meals in case of inclement weather and were told that SUN would be happy to supply them.

Cecile reported that the Linden Meal Site Manager has been Spending about 30 extra minutes a day helping with the Rewey Meal Site as health problems have faced the volunteer manager to quite. Cecile reported that the Village of Rewey has been contacted to ask if they could help out financially to keep the site open and no one has answered the appeal as of yet. A discussion ensued on the Rewey Site but nothing is changing as of now.

Judy reported that funding for SUN for Lafayette and Iowa Counties is getting to be a serious situation because of having to use set aside funds. Ron Benish stated that they are going to have to look at cost and the bottom line is income meeting expenses. Randy Terrenez asked about the projection for Iowa County funding. Cecile reported that there is \$190,000 in set aside and Iowa County will probably have to use about \$30,000. Cecile reported that they plan on doing more advocating and maybe they will be able to get some help from the cities and villages where the meal sites are located.

**AREA AGENCY REPORT:** MaryClaire reported that she has not attended a meeting since our last meeting.

**ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORT:** Margaret Peat was not available to give a report.

**TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR'S REPORT:** Betty handed out the Transportation Report for the month of January and reviewed it with the Board. Betty reported they had some mechanical problems with the bus and also snow days so transportation was down because of these problems.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND TRAININGS:** Judy reported she is working on a Prevention Grant with 3 other counties to help serve more of the elderly population. Judy reported that she has finished her part of the 5310 Grant application for a van with a ramp. She stated that several agencies are also applying for vehicles through the 5310 Grant so altogether there are 13 vehicles from the Tri-County areas being applied for. Judy reported that on February 13, 2008, at 6:00 p.m. she, Darin Smith, Director of Social Services, and Neil Blackburn, Director of Unified Community Services, will be doing a presentation on Family Care at 6:00 p.m. in the Iowa County Board of Supervisors Room, Iowa County Courthouse, Dodgeville, WI.

**ADRC REPORT:** Judy reported that she has been very busy with the ADRC Grant.

**STRAP AND NEW FREEDOM:** Judy reported she has been working on the STRAP and New Freedom Grants. The STRAP Grant will give Dodgeville a taxi 2 days a week and eventually Mineral Point on day a week if it works out.

Judy reported they have hired a Mobility Manager who states that he enjoys working with non-profit committees.

**ACTION ON FINANCIAL REPORT:** There were no questions about the Financial Report.

**REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM OTHER BOARD MEMBERS AND AN OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:** Rosalie Zweifel reported on some life history from 1906. She also discussed Women who have heart disease and handed out the little red dress pins for Women Heart Disease. Rosalie handed out posters from the Wisconsin Blind Association. Rosalie stated that AARP would be meeting at 11:00 a.m. on February 18<sup>th</sup> at Stonefield. She reported that SHARE will be distributed on February 23 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** The next meeting will be held on Friday, March 7, 2008, at 1:00 p.m. in the Iowa County Board of Supervisors Room.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by Phil Roberts and seconded by Ron Benish to adjourn the meeting at 2:04 p.m. Motion carried without negative vote.

Respectfully submitted:  
Betty Walsh COA Secretary