



APPROVED MINUTES
Health and Human Services Committee
Wednesday, September 2, 2015 at 5:00 PM
Community Room of HHS Building

**Iowa
County
Wisconsin**

1 Meeting was called to order by Chairman Ron Benish at 5:00 PM

Roll Call was taken:

Member present: Supervisor Benish, Supervisor Bomkamp, Supervisor Clerkin, Supervisor Lindholm, Supervisor Meek, Supervisor Meyers, Supervisor Paull and Supervisor Thomas.

2 Others present: ADRC/DSS Director Tom Slaney, Veterans Service Officer Jeff Lindeman, ADRC Manager Rebecca Wetter, SUN Director Cecile McManus, Unified Community Services Director Kathy Shannon-Rink, ADRC/DSS Business Manager Jamie Gould, Bloomfield Administrator Penny Clary, Bloomfield Director of Nursing Sarah Buroker, County Clerk Greg Klusendorf, Director of Environmental Services Jake Tarrell Supervisor Dan Nankee, Jack Jinkins, Karen Oellerich, Lisa Schnedler, Troy Marx, Karl Pustina, Paul Traszell and Larry Lester.

Approve the agenda for this meeting:

3 Sup. Lindholm moved to approve the September 2, 2015 meeting agenda. Sup. Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approve the minutes of the August 5, 2015 meeting:

4 Sup. Clerkin moved to approve the minutes of the August 5, 2015 meeting. Sup. Meek seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Comments or reports from the audience or committee members:

5 No Comments

Discussion with Upland Hills Health about possible collaboration with nursing home.

6 Supervisor Meyers introduced the Bloomfield/Upland Hills Health (UHH) collaboration discussion. A UHH board member asked if they could meet. UHH is doing a long-range plan and wanted to know about a possible collaboration with Iowa County. Supervisor Meyers suggested UHH talk to the Bloomfield Committee first. Iowa County agreed to release their WIPFLI nursing home study to the WIPFLI staff UHH had contracted to do their long-range plan. Supervisor Meyers indicated this is an exploratory discussion and he hoped everyone can have an open mind. Iowa County needs to look at our long term options.

Lisa Schnedler, UHH CEO, explained her organization was in the process of developing a 3 year strategic plan and a 15 year master facilities plan. There are a number of possible changes they are looking at in their facility. Many hospital organizations are moving nursing home facilities offsite. Ms. Schnedler asked is there a model that would work for both of us and should we pursue this model together. UHH contacted WIPFLI to consult on a model that could benefit both organizations.

Larry Lester, of WIPFLI, explained his company looked at the benefits for each organization and tried to develop a model that allowed each to keep those benefits.

Three models were discussed

The first model was a wholly owned nursing home by UHH.

This model would transfer licenses to UHH. It would create a larger population. It would diminish the payer mix for UHH. What kind of oversight would Iowa County want?

This model would lose the IGT funding that the county currently gets. IGT is a supplemental funding source for government agencies. This would not allow UHH to get out of nursing home management.

The second model was a wholly owned nursing home by Iowa County.

This model would transfer licenses to the county. It would create a larger population. It would improve the payer mix for the county. What kind of oversight would UHH want?

The third model would be some kind of collaboration between Iowa County and UHH

This model would transfer the licenses to Iowa County. It would probably be operated by a Not-for-Profit organization that reports to Iowa County. Benefits include: better relationship between the two organizations, ability to maintain IGT funding, protect positive benefits of employees, 3 entities (County, Not-for-Profit and UHH) available to raise funding for building, bundled care/ACO (Accountable Care Organization) payments are in the future of any healthcare provider, IGT payments would increase due to increased beds, the payer mix would improve and the economies of scale for operations.

The goals of a collaborative model are: Capture more IGT, Have a stringer payer mix, Improve capital raising options and have a stronger financial position.

Supervisor Lindholm asked if WIPFLI has seen an operation like this. Larry Lester indicated they have not – not yet.

Karl Pustina stated UHH has partnered with an Assisted Living facility

Supervisor Benish thinks this model has merit and asked if the county needs a place at the table.

Lisa Schnedler thought that would be appropriate, but the county might have already invested enough in their last study.

Bloomfield Administrator Penny Clary would like equal representation on this study.

Supervisor Benish wants to hear this collaboration enhances both parties.

Supervisor Meyers would like to know if any additional county funds would be needed.

Lisa Schnedler stated UHH doesn't think the county would need to invest anymore in this study.

Supervisor Meyer asked what is the timeline for this study. The County plans on having a referendum in April 2016 and we have architects already working on a plan.

Bloomfield Administrator indicated they were following WIPFLI's plan, but could adapt to more beds.

Larry Lester stated WIPFLI could do financial structure in 30 days, but not deal with the legalese of the deal in that timeframe.

	<p>Supervisor Paull made a motion for the Bloomfield Committee to work with Upland Hills Health on a collaboration. Seconded by Supervisor Lindholm.</p> <p>Discussion:</p> <p>Supervisor Paull stated the Bloomfield Committee would like to aggressively seek a resolution, so not to delay a referendum.</p> <p>Supervisor Meyers stated Bloomfield staff needs to be at the table, but also need County Board representation.</p> <p>Supervisor Lindholm indicated County board has representation on the Bloomfield Committee and it also has citizen input.</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>
8	<p><u>SUN Program:</u></p> <p>SUN Director Cecile McManus passed around Iowa County meal site statistics. Participation is up at Iowa County sites. The Dodgeville Senior Center has moved the meal site and this has created more participation.</p> <p>SUN is working on their second annual letter of appeal to generate private funding.</p> <p>Director McManus provide the committee members with copies of her Annual Report.</p> <p>Director McManus stated SUN will be requesting the same amount of county levy in 2016 as 2015. She will be submitting her budget to her board in September.</p>
10	<p><u>Veteran's Service Office:</u></p> <p>VSO Jeff Lindeman indicated the latest edition of the veteran's newsletter should be out this week.</p> <p>VSO Lindeman submitted a 2016 budget for \$94,691. This is a \$17,595 decrease due to staffing changes and does not represent any DVA grant.</p> <p>VSO Lindeman has not had any negative comments on the staffing changes. The collaboration with the ADRC has worked well.</p> <p>The IT department has been asked to assess the need for a county phone...</p>
11	<p><u>Unified Community Services:</u></p> <p>Unified Community Services Director Kathy Shannon-Rink stated UCS is trying a new initiative to start new groups (anxiety & depression). Groups can help some people that don't like individual therapy. They have two opiate groups in each office.</p> <p>UCS is trying to serve more people quicker. An Assessment Specialist position is being piloted in the Dodgeville Office to help address current wait times.</p>

	<p>The state budget has changed funding by eliminating some program funding and rolling some program funding together. UCS is waiting to get clarification on how these changes will impact services provided currently by UCS.</p> <p>UCS has asked for an additional \$5,000 in county levy for the 2016 Iowa County budget and an additional \$10,00 from Grant County. They have not asked for an increase for many years. UCS's biggest liability is the Emergency Detentions to Winnebago.</p> <p>Supervisor Paull recently talked to a community member about a six week wait for service. He was glad to hear the initiatives discussed earlier to address this issue.</p> <p>Supervisor Myers stated the funding for the OWI program was eliminated and the county is not sure they can find the extra funding. Does UCS have the same type of services and can you work together?</p> <p>Director Shannon-Rink explained the OWI program is a case management program, while UCS provides Counseling.</p>
12	<p><u>Bloomfield Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center:</u></p> <p>Bloomfield Administrator Penny Clary handed out a written Administrator's report.</p> <p>The average daily census for August was 58. Payer mix percentage and source were provided.</p> <p>They are working with Engberg Anderson on a schematic design.</p> <p>Bloomfield had their state survey August 25-27, 2015. The survey went very well, but they won't know the results until the survey is released.</p> <p>Sarah Buroker, Director of Nursing, expressed her concern how the collaboration will affect personnel. She just accepted her position and now wonders if she will have a job.</p>
14	<p><u>ADRC Update:</u></p> <p>ADRC Manager Rebecca Wetter handed out a written update.</p> <p>Interviews are being held September 3rd for the vacant I & A/Wellness Prevention position.</p> <p>A presentation has been planned with Mound City Bank regarding elder abuse and financial exploitation on September 10th at noon in the Mineral Point City Hall. This is a collaboration with the bank, ADRC and law enforcement.</p> <p>Medicare part D season begins on October 15th. Consumers can call our office to schedule an appointment for free and confidential services with an Elder Benefit Specialist.</p> <p>LEEPS volunteers are being recruited in the Blue Mounds/Mt. Horeb area. A volunteer would meet with an individual who is in early stages of dementia and resides in this part of the county. Training and support is provided to volunteers.</p>

	<p>The Health and Wellness Expo is being co-sponsored by Upland Hills Health. It is scheduled to occur on September 25th from 9:00 to 12:00.</p> <p>A lunch and learn event is planned for October 1st at the Dodgeville Dining Center at the Hidden Valley Community Church. The topic is “We all Forget. Is it normal aging or should we be concerned?”</p> <p>Business manager Jamie Gould presented the 2016 ADRC budget. The total budget request was for \$671,733. This creates a \$2,423 increase in county levy. A detailed budget proposal, expense and revenue comparison was distributed to the committee.</p>
15	<p><u>Social Services Department Update:</u></p> <p>ADRC/DSS Director Tom Slaney present to 2016 Social Services budget. The total budget is \$2,985,674. This is a \$990 increase from 2015 budget, but \$3,469 decrease in county levy request. The levy decrease is accomplished by an increase in anticipated revenues of \$4,449.</p> <p>The second round of Social Worker interviews were held this morning. We hope to have an acceptable candidate in this group.</p> <p>The department is seeking an LTE position to help out with the WHEAP program (Energy Assistance) this fall. In an effort to relieve workload demands on our Economic Support Staff, we are utilizing our overtime budget to employ a LTE instead of increasing current staff's hours.</p>
16	<p>Next meeting date set for October 7, 2015 at 5:00 pm.</p>
17	<p>Motion to Adjourn. Motion Carried.</p>
	<p>Minutes by Tom Slaney</p>