

**LINCOLN COUNTY**  
**Social Services Committee Minutes**  
**Thursday August 21, 2008, 6:00 p.m.**  
**Health & Human Services Building**

**Members Present:** Loka, Weaver, Krueger, Woller, Zeitz

**Visitors:** Terry Schmidt, Mike Nelson

**1. Call Meeting to Order** – Meeting called to order at 6:25 p.m.

**2. Set next meeting date** – Next regular meeting at 6:00 p.m. immediately following Veterans Service meeting on Wednesday, September 24, 2008.

**3. Approve Minutes of May 15, 2008** Motion/Second M/S Krueger/Woller to approve minutes as printed – all voting aye.

**4. Funding Update for Child Protective Services (CPS)** – Mike Nelson, CPS Supervisor, provided the Committee with a funding proposal for Title IV-E Funds which takes into account that funds are being reduced in 2009 to 70% of 2008 and eliminated in 2010. The report itemized budget adjustments for outside contracts and the elimination of in-house county employee social worker hours. The adjustments were discussed and approved by M/S Woller/Loka – all voting aye.

**5. Preliminary Budget Numbers** – Director Schmidt reviewed budget adjustments and assured the Committee that Social Services budget would be within 2% budget guideline. Final budget proposal was not available for review but will be for next regular meeting.

**6. Public Hearing** – Director Schmidt reported that a public hearing was held for community comment on August 19, 2008.

**7. Human Services Group** – Director Schmidt reported on cooperative efforts resulting from Human Services Work Group in streamlining operations and consolidation of Social Services and Developmental Disability Services.

**8. Cancellation of Committee Meetings** – Director Schmidt and Committee members commented on cancellation of recent meetings and suggested that future meetings be canceled not later than 7 days before date scheduled. No action taken.

**9. Director's Report – A. Long Term Support** - Discussion that long term support funding will increase 1.76% in 2009. **B. Child Protective Services** – Reported that IV-E funding reduction to 70% previous year. **C. Economic Support:** 1) **Tomahawk Annex Update** – Services are available at the Annex two Thursdays per month and Energy Assistance applications will be taken on Tuesdays each week beginning in October.

2) **LTE Worker for Energy Assistance Program** – Funding for the Energy Assistance Program has remained consistent and Social Services will again be using a Limited Term Employee within the 600-hour contract limitation. M/S Weaver/Woller to approve use of an LTE for Energy Assistance Program – all voting aye.

**10. Programs Updates** – Program updates as discussed under other agenda items.

**11. Review of Vouchers** – Voucher list was made available. Director Schmidt responded to questions from Supervisor Zeitz regarding specific vouchers.

**12. Adjourn** – Weaver/Zeitz to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. all voting aye.

Submitted by,

Robert Weaver, Secretary