

LINCOLN COUNTY
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
Thursday October 2, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.
Health and Human Services Building – Room 246

MINUTES

Members Present: James Alber, Paul Gilk, Greta Rusch, Patsy Woller

Members Absent: Jeff Hetfeld

Visitors: Mike Nelson, Judith Woller

- **Meeting Called to Order** by Chair Alber at 6:00 p.m.
- **Approve Minutes of September 4, 2014, Social Services Meeting** – Motion by Woller; second by Rusch to approve minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.
- **Public Comment** – None
- **Service Contract with Haven** – Judith Woller, Director of Haven was present to discuss the vast amount of services that Haven provides as well as answer any question of their operations. Director Nelson relayed to the Committee of a recent meeting with Woller and desire to collaborate for like services through a service contract. After further discussion, there was a motion by Alber and second by Gilk to approve going forward with a service contract with Haven. Director Nelson was asked to come back next month with a template of the service contract. All ayes. Motion carried.
- **Sub-Care Report** – Director Nelson gave the committee an update on current out-of-home placements and reported still being way under budget in 2014 for out-of-home care costs.
- **Financial Report** – The 2014 Financial Report was reviewed and discussed. No questions or concerns. Placed on file.
- **Review of Vouchers** – Vouchers were reviewed and discussed. The vouchers were placed on file.
- **Discussion of possible response letter from the Committee in respect to Governor Walker denying the acceptance of Federal funding for Medicaid/BadgerCare** – After much discussion on the topic there was a motion by Woller and a second by Gilk to have Director Nelson construct a letter and share it with the Committee at next month's meeting. Director Nelson will send copy of letter to Chairman Alber prior to sending it out. All ayes. Motion carried.
- **Hiring of Economic Support Specialist** – Director Nelson explained the need and the duties of the position and that the position is covered 100% by State allocated money. Motion by Woller and second by Rusch to approve the hiring of the position. All ayes. Motion carried.
- **Update on Building Security System** – Director Nelson relayed to the Committee that they have approved the plan for the Security System and we have just been waiting on the dollar amount so that this project can move forward. The Committee was informed that the needed amount for the project is \$75,000. Further discussion ensued. A motion by Alber and a second by Woller to approve the cost of the project and advance it forward. All ayes. Motion carried.

- **Director's Report** – Director Nelson informed the committee that the juvenile social workers are feeling the effects of being down a worker in their unit. The new worker is scheduled to start October 20th. It was noted and the social workers were commended on their positive attitudes and hard work during this transition.
- **Future Agenda Items** –
 - 1.) Meet and greet with agency staff
 - 2.) Update on service contract with Haven
 - 3.) Review of letter to Governor Walker
 - 4.) Update on Security System
 - 5.) Discussion on presentation on Poverty in Lincoln County
- **Set Next Meeting Date(s)** – Thursday, November 6th, at 6:00 p.m., at Lincoln County Health and Human Services Building, Room 246.
- **Adjourn** – Motion by Woller, second by Rusch to adjourn meeting at 6:58 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by Mike Nelson, Director