

**SHEBOYGAN COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING**

Sheboygan County Health and Human Services Department  
1011 North 8<sup>th</sup> Street  
Sheboygan, WI 53081  
Room 413

**November 1, 2016**

**Called To Order: 8:30 a.m.**

**Adjourned: 10:00 a.m.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Supervisor Jim Baumgart – Chair; Supervisor Brian Hoffmann – Vice Chair; Supervisor Jack Van Dixhorn – Secretary; Supervisor Roger Otten, Supervisor Thomas Epping, Supervisor Henry Nelson, Mr. Curtiss Nyenhuis, Mr. Larry Samet, Mr. Craig Schicker

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Tom Eggebrecht, Shannon Otten, Nick Larkin, Tim Gessler, Scott Shackelford, Karlyn Raddatz, Jody Gallaway, Jim Simac, and Victoria Deterding

Supervisor Baumgart called the November 1, 2016 Health and Human Services Committee Meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

**CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN MEETING LAW**

The Health and Human Services Department received an e-mail noting that the agenda for the November 1, 2016 meeting of the Health and Human Services Committee was posted on October 28, 2016, at 8:15 a.m., in compliance with the Open Meeting Law.

**REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES: October 18, 2016 HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Supervisor Epping moved and Supervisor Hoffmann seconded to approve the minutes of the October 18, 2016 Health and Human Services Committee Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Tom Eggebrecht welcomed Jody Gallaway and Jim Simac to today’s meeting. They will be providing the Committee with an update on the Drug and Alcohol Treatment Court.

Tom Eggebrecht informed the Committee that Tim Gessler will be presenting on the Affordable Care Act at today’s meeting.

Tom Eggebrecht informed the Committee that a decision has been made to re-fund the Wisconsin Community Services program for 2017 at a rate of \$60,000, which comes out of the Sheriff’s Department’s budget. Discussion ensued.

Tom Eggebrecht informed the Committee that he received a very nice note from Mike Trimberger, principal at South High School. Through the efforts of Scott Shackelford, Barry Neumann, and Barb Kultgen, South High School is ready to launch a program for students at risk.

## **PUBLIC INPUT**

None.

### **DRUG AND ALCOHOL TREATMENT COURT UPDATE – Jody Gallaway**

Jody Gallaway presented, via PowerPoint, an update on the Drug and Alcohol Treatment Court. The Drug and Alcohol Treatment Court was launched in July 2016 in response to the devastation caused by addiction in our community. Treatment Courts are the most effective criminal justice intervention for breaking the cycle between substance abuse and criminal behavior. The multi-disciplinary Treatment Court team oversees the progress of participants in the program, which can last up to 24 months. Once accepted, each participant will receive a comprehensive evaluation and an individualized care plan. Participants make frequent appearances before the Treatment Court Judge. They will receive intensive case management, supervision, and support in the community. Participants are required to attend treatment, comply with random drug tests, and participated in community service. Eligibility criteria have to be met in order to participate in Treatment Court. The goals and benefits include:

- Provide a multi-disciplinary team approach to help high risk/high need defendants.
- Divert from incarceration those in need of treatment for a severe substance use disorder.
- Provide intensive treatment and other services to support recovery.
- Break the cycle of drugs and/or alcohol use and crime.
- Reduce criminal justice costs.
- Decrease recidivism.
- Enhance social, moral, educational, and employment capacity in program participants.

Since starting to accept referrals in July of this year, there have been 27 referrals to Treatment Court, 8 of those were accepted, 12 denied, and 7 are pending.

Jim Simac and his son, Frank Simac, of Community Consultants, Inc. provide treatment and case management services to Treatment Court participants. Jim informed the Committee of some of the treatment needs of the Treatment Court participants.

After discussion and questions were answered, Tom Eggebrecht informed the Committee that a future Committee Meeting could be held at Community Consultants, Inc., and Jim can go into more detail of the treatment and case management services Community Consultants, Inc. provides to the participants of Drug and Alcohol Treatment Court.

### **AFFORDABLE CARE ACT UPDATES – Tim Gessler**

Tim Gessler presented, via a PowerPoint, updates in regards to the Affordable Care Act (ACA). In Wisconsin, ACA health plans are accessed through the Federally Facilitated Marketplace (FFM). During the last open enrollment period (OE<sub>3</sub>), over 239,000 Wisconsin residents selected a health plan through the FFM, and 224,000 of those residents received a subsidy. OE<sub>4</sub> begins on November 1, 2016 and ends on January 31, 2017. Participants must enroll by December 15, 2016 for coverage to start on January 1, 2017.

The ACA OE<sub>4</sub> changes for Wisconsin include unsubsidized premiums increasing 16%, subsidized premiums decreasing from \$208 monthly to \$207 monthly; and insurer participation will remain about the same with 15 companies offering plans, compared to 16 companies last year. This information is based on a 40-year-old adult making \$30,000 annually and selecting the Silver Plan. Adverse Selection impacts premiums and insurer participation.

The Shared Responsibility Payment (also known as a penalty or fine) applies to those who have no other health coverage, are eligible for the ACA, and don't enroll in the ACA.

There will be events at the Mead Public Library from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for free in-person assistance with Marketplace and Badger Care+ applications on Saturday, November 12, 2016; Saturday, December 10, 2016; and Saturday, January 14, 2017.

The FFM assesses applicants who might be eligible for Badger Care+ and electronically sends those applications to Economic Support for processing. During OE<sub>3</sub>, almost 24,000 Wisconsin residents were referred for a Badger Care+ determination and about 500 of those referrals were for Sheboygan County residents.

Questions were answered and discussion ensued. Tom Eggebrecht informed the Committee that a future Committee meeting could be held at the Job Center and Tim could provide additional information on the ACA.

**CONSIDERATION OF VACANT POSITION REQUEST REVISION – SENIOR HUMAN SERVICES PROFESSIONAL (MENTAL HEALTH CASE MANAGER) - Nick Larkin**

Nick Larkin presented a Vacant Position Request Revision for a Senior Human Services Professional. Nick informed the Committee that this Vacant Position Request was approved at the September 20<sup>th</sup> Health and Human Services Committee Meeting as a Bachelor's level position. The Vacant Position Request that is being presented today is a Master's level position as this position will require potential candidates possess a Master's Degree.

After questions were answered, Supervisor Nelson moved and Supervisor Hoffmann seconded to approve the Vacant Position Request Revision – Senior Human Services Professional (Mental Health Case Manager). Motion carried unanimously.

**REVIEW AND APPROVE VOUCHERS**

After questions were answered, Supervisor Nelson moved and Supervisor Hoffmann seconded to approve the expense vouchers as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF ATTENDANCE OF MEMBERS AT OTHER MEETINGS OR FUNCTIONS**

None. Supervisor Baumgart informed the Committee that he had a conversation with Corporation Counsel Carl Buesing regarding what types of meetings the Health and Human Services Committee can and cannot approve. Corporation Counsel Buesing informed Supervisor Baumgart that there are no specific types of meetings that the Health and Human Services Committee can or cannot approve, however, indicated the Committee has to be consistent in what meetings are approved.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 10:00 a.m., Supervisor Otten moved and Supervisor Van Dixhorn seconded to adjourn the November 1, 2016 Health and Human Services Committee Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Julie Schaefer  
Recording Secretary

Jacob Van Dixhorn  
Committee Secretary