

Juneau County  
Human Services Board Minutes  
July 1, 2020

The Human Services Meeting was called to order by Tim Cottingham in the County Board Room.

Present: Tim Cottingham, Mike Kelley, Carl Wildes, Carrie Buss, Joe Lally, Peg Saylor, James Ryczek, Dawn Buchholz

**Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Peg Saylor and seconded by Carrie Buss to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2020 meeting. Motion carried.

**Discussion regarding Unit Presentations**

Due to COVID-19 safety regulations, unit presentations were put on hold. The question is if we should once again have each unit present and when we should start the rotation. Tim Cottingham and others agree that they like the staff coming over with updates. It gives the board members more knowledge on what's happening within the programs and a chance to see new staff. It was decided that presentations will begin again in August with the Community Support Program.

**Possible motion and approval regarding Telehealth/doxy.me**

Mike Hunkins, JoAnn Geiger, and Dawn have been working with Medistar regarding Health IT options through a grant with the Wisconsin Department of Health Services. Doxy.me is being used specifically for Telehealth/Telemedicine for our therapists and psychiatrist while Zoom is used for staff meetings. Doxy.me is free, HIPAA compliant, and only needs a BAA. There is a paid version of Doxy.me of \$35/mo per provider which offers audio only calls and that is how our psychiatrist would like to proceed. However, to continue with phone calls for our psychiatric appointments, we'd need a special waiver approved by the State which Human Services is currently pursuing.

A motion to approve Human Services using Doxy.me was made by Peg Saylor and seconded by James Ryczek. Motion carried. Dawn will find out from Mike Hunkins if this also needs approval from the Finance/Computer committee.

**Possible motion and approval to fill open positions in CYF and CCS**

A motion to approve was made by Mike Kelley and seconded by Peg Saylor. Motion carried.

**Budget/finance update**

Dawn met with finance director to talk about where we are at fiscally. In the month of May, due to COVID-19, CCS is down roughly \$15,000. CCS is 100% refundable so that will be recouped in 2021. It is better to bill more because we will get that money faster. CSP is down \$20,000. Maryjo and staff are still seeing consumers but they aren't doing as many activities because of the closures. Mental Health is down about \$5,000. Staff time is at about \$7,200. Still looking into more grants. The county has been allocated about \$400,000 but we cannot recoup lost revenue. Lori Chipman, Mike Hunkins, and the managers are meeting to go through all computers to find out years and what needs to be upgraded. DHS did receive a grant to purchase new laptops for staff. Some of the older model laptops weren't compatible for upgrades with our software or systems.

**CPS comparisons to other counties**

Information was gathered from the State site, eWISACWIS, to compare surrounding counties (Adams, Columbia, Monroe, and Sauk). So far for 2020, Adams has 296, Columbia with 383, Monroe is at 271, and Sauk has 271 cases compared to Juneau County with 198 child

abuse/neglect reports. We might not have as many cases but have very serious cases. The website is updated daily through the entered referrals and screenings. Juneau County is tied with Adams for 8<sup>th</sup> poorest county in the State but we have a higher child population.

### CPS and COVID-19 video

Viewed by Human Services Board.

### Possible motion and approval to host Ethics and Boundaries training

DHS would like to host us and Adams County, and to also invite around 40 other providers such as Pine Valley and Seasons Counseling. Social workers, therapists and other professionals need the Ethics and Boundaries training every 2 years. It would be beneficial to host on site instead of sending staff elsewhere. The training would be held in two sessions, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. The cost would be split with Adams County and providers will pay to attend. To be held in October.

A motion to approve was made by Peg Saylor and seconded by Joe Lally. Motion carried.

### Discussion regarding Public Hearing

State Department of Health and Department of Children and Families requires us to hold a public hearing every year. The draft budget will be reviewed and approved by this committee and then the public hearing will be Wednesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, at the Mauston Public Library, 6:00pm. If the Mauston Public Library is not yet open or unavailable, the public hearing will be held in room 209. A Zoom link will be offered for public access.

### Director and Human Services Board member updates

There are 2 positive COVID-19 cases in DHS and Juneau County numbers are on the rise.

Central WI Health Partnership put out a press release on how race is a driver for poor health conditions. Using this opportunity to educate and promote being a part of the solution.

Regional CCS meeting was on June 10<sup>th</sup> and the next local meeting is August 5<sup>th</sup> at 9am. They were under budget last year.

### Items for the Next Meeting

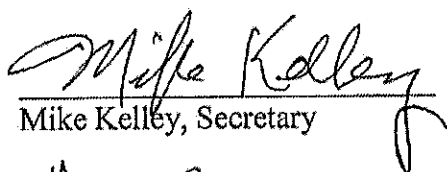
- Community Support Program Presentation
- Updates on clinic doxy.me
- Juneau County Mass Care Shelter Plan
- 2019 Annual Report

Next Meeting Date – Tuesday, August 4, 2020

### Adjourn

A motion was made by Peg Saylor and seconded by Joe Lally to adjourn the Human Services Board meeting. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by:

  
Mike Kelley, Secretary

  
Alison Brown, Recorder