

Minutes of the May 9th meeting of the Sawyer County
Health and Human Services Committee
Of the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors
Assembly Room; Sawyer County



Voting Committee Members Present:

- Chair: Dale Schleeter
- Kay Wilson
- Marshal Savitski
- Michael Maestri - virtual
- Chris Rusk - virtual
- Lorraine Gouge
- Dawn Petit - Virtual
- Carol Pearson
- Dr. Sabrina Dunlap

Others Present:

Andy Albarado
Lynn Fitch
Julia Lyons
Patty Dujardin - virtual
Julie McCallum

Call to Order – Chair Dale Schleeter called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Certification of Compliance with the open meeting law was met. Roll Call was taken; a quorum was met.

Meeting Agenda

Public Comments –

Election of Vice Chair – Nomination made by Mr. Savitski for Kay Wilson; nomination for Mr. Savitski by Ms. Wilson. After a silent paper ballot cast, Ms. Wilson was voted Vice Chair 4-2; no Zoom vote recorded for Mr. Maestri.

Minutes from the previous meeting dated: April 11, 2023

Motion to approve made by: Mr. Savitski Second by: Ms. Pearson
Motion carried without negative vote.

Committee Reports -

LCO Liaison – Ms. Gouge provided an update from the LCO Clinic; May has had three positive cases of Covid with flu-like symptoms. The new clinic construction project will break ground in June with completion in 2025. The facility for 20-units should be completed this fall for workforce housing. The elder center will break ground in July with completion estimated to be February 2024. A Medicare outreach event will be held in August.

Senior Resource Center – Mr. Albarado advised that county staff have been able to help them with IT and maintenance assistance.

Administration –

A written list of services is attached to the board packet. Mr. Albarado provided a staffing update; sharing a department flowchart. Karla Kay has provided a notice of retirement; one new case worker started on May 8.. We are talking with retired social workers to see if they'd come to mentor new staff. We have three open positions in CPS that we are recruiting for. The Adult Long term Care/ADRC/Adult Protective Services supervisor also put in notice as she is moving out of the area. She is working remotely as we recruit for this position. Julie McCallum is the interim Public Health Officer and will be forwarded to the Board for final appointment. Ms. Lyons attended her first conference for the department last week.

Adult Long-term Care -

A written report was provided. Supervisor reports that remote work is going well. The Information and Assistance position has been filled.

Behavioral Health -

Behavioral Health Care – A written report was provided. Ms. Lyons advised there are no major changes in the reports this month.

Mental Health Cost by Client – A written report was provided.

Child Protective Services -

Reported above in the administration section.

Youth Justice -

A written report was provided. A concern in the area is to be sure Sarah is supported as much as possible as she assists to support CPS on top of her YJ caseload.

Economic Support -

A written report was provided. They will begin to prepare for Medicaid renewals that will be starting. They will also need to start drug testing for some of the benefit programs such as food share.

Public Health -

A written report was provided. They continue to recommend testing for syphilis as rates for congenital syphilis cases are rising across the state. . The LCO and Sawyer County Prevention Coalitions continue to combine efforts. The 140 Review has been completed but results are not back yet from the Department of Public Health. This review verifies that required serves are being met for Level I, II and II local health departments. Sawyer County is currently a Level II health department.

Fiscal -

A written budget performance report and purchased services recap report were provided. The report shows only the first three months of the 2023 year.

Future Agenda Items

Meeting Date/Time – The next meeting of the Health and Human Services Board will be Tuesday, June 6th, at 6:30 pm in the Board Room.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm
Minutes recorded by Lynn Fitch, County Clerk