

**Minutes of the June 6th meeting of the Sawyer County
Health and Human Services Committee
Of the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors
Board Room; Sawyer County**



Voting Committee Members Present:

- Chair: Dale Schleeter
- Vice Chair: 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
- Liz Klein
- Chris Klein
- Blare Schlrouski
- Joe Bodo - virtual
- Shawna White
- Steve Beining
- Alicia Carlson - virtual
- Julie McCallum

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

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

Meeting Agenda

Public Comments – Blare Schlrouski, Liz Klein, Christopher Klein, Steve Beining

Public Hearing on HHS 2024 Budget – Ms. Lyons opened the hearing for public comments on the 2024 budget.

Minutes from the previous meeting dated: May 9, 2023

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

Committee Reports -

LCO Liaison -

Senior Resource Center – Ms. Lyons advised that the contracts are coming in and funds will now start coming in.

Administration – A written list of services is attached to the board packet. Ms. Lyons advised that new director orientation is complete. She has had a meeting with new supervisors and has regular bi-weekly meetings scheduled.

Adult Long-term Care -

A written report was provided outlining activities of the ADRC-North Sawyer County Branch, the Elder Benefit Specialist and Disability Specialist activities, Dementia Care Services and Adult Protective Services. Ms. Lyons has helped support the new facility and they are getting busy with the ADRC functions. They have are having a dementia training session across the region, and they are conducting training with banks on financial exploitation measures.

Behavioral Health

Behavioral Health Care – A written report was provided outlining the activities of the behavioral health outpatient clinic, the CCS program, CST program and CLTS program. Consumer statistics of each program were highlighted. They continue look for a new therapist.

Mental Health Cost by Client – A written report was provided and there are no variances at this time. There are two chronically ill mentally ill patients that may need placements in the future.

Child Protective Services -

A written child in care expense report was provided. Ms. Lyons provided an update on new hires in the division and they are working on setting up the orientation process. Outside counties have offered to help shadow new staff as mentors.

Youth Justice -

A written report was provided. To date in 2023 there have been 33 total youth justice referrals made with Rusk County assisting with 7 ongoing cases. Our placement costs are higher than anticipated in this area.

Economic Support -

A written report was provided. To date there are 1,125 FoodShare cases, 2,019 FoodShare recipients and \$278,935 FoodShare benefits issued. Response time in handling cases ranges 97%-100%. Shawna White provided a review of her report advising that there is a significant increase in calls with waiting limits as long as 40 minutes. Several Covid programs are ending this month as of June 12th.

Public Health -

A written report was provided. Ms. Lyons reviewed the highlights of the report indicating that a few cases of blastomycosis have been reported in Sawyer County. As of 5/30/23, 141 individuals in the county have been trained in administering Narcan (102 online and 39 in-person); 56 boxes of Narcan have been distributed. The joint Prevention Coalition met on 5/24/23 and is recruiting members from 12 sectors of the community, including youth, parents, business, media, schools, youth-serving organizations, law enforcement, civic/volunteer, religious/fraternal, healthcare, state/local/tribal organizations and substance use/mental health groups. Ms. McCallum advised that there are still positions open in the department.

Fiscal -

A written budget performance report and purchased services recap report were provided. The report reviews the first four months of the year and a lot of the billing cycles just started to enact. Departments will start to receive their budget packets this week.

Future Agenda Items

Meeting Date/Time – The next meeting of the Health and Human Services Board will be Tuesday, July 11th, at 6:30 pm in the Board Room.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm
Minutes recorded by Lynn Fitch, County Clerk