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Health and Human Services Committee

Minutes

March 4, 2013

The Health and Human Services Committee of the DeKalb County Board met on Monday, March 4, 2013, @ 6:30p.m. in the Administration Building's Conference Room East. Chairman Sally DeFauw called the meeting to order. Members present were Mr. Emerson, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Metzger, Mr. Tyson, and Mr. Whelan. Ms. Moulton was also present.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

It was moved by Mr. Tyson, seconded by Mr. Whelan, and it was carried unanimously to approve the minutes from February 4, 2013.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Metzger amended the agenda to add the Letter of Support for the Greater Elgin Family Care Center.

It was moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Emerson, and it was carried unanimously to approve the amended agenda.

LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE GREATER ELGIN FAMILY CARE CENTER

Mr. Metzger said that the Great Elgin Family Care Center requested a letter of support for applying for a New Access Point via a funding opportunity offered by the Bureau of Primary Health Care to provide affordable, quality medical care to at least 5,780 DeKalb County residents via at least 17,919 primary care, dental care, and behavioral health care encounters by the end of the second year of funding. With these funds they will absorb the KishHealth's existing Center for Family Services on Plank Road in Sycamore. This will be a federally funded health care center. They are asking for us to forward a letter of endorsement and support for the appropriate entities. Mr. Metzger stated that he had spoken with Ms. Lux, who then spoke with Mr. Robert Tanner, President of Greater Elgin Family Care Center and she was very supportive of it.

Chairman DeFauw said that she had spoken with Ms. Donna Moulton, Director of DeKalb County Community Services Department, who was in favor of this, also.

There was a brief discussion on whether the committee should send a letter of support or a resolution. They agreed to send a resolution.

Mr. Johnson said that it may be good to show support as a resolution as there is no money being spent. Because the facilities have been closed for so long it would be a welcome change.

It was moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Tyson, and it was carried unanimously to forward this resolution to the full board for approval.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT UPDATE AND YEAR-END REPORT

Chairman DeFauw passed out the Senior Services Tax Levy folders to the committee.

Ms. Donna Moulton, Director of the DeKalb County Community Services Department, gave a brief update to the committee. She explained what happens on the 2 days of public hearings in April with the Senior Services Tax Levy along with Chairman DeFauw. She mentioned that 60 years old is the age that is considered a senior. She also mentioned that the schedule for the hearings for those 2 days needs to be approved by the committee tonight.

The committee did approve her schedule for the two evenings of public hearings for the Senior Services Tax Levy.

In her year-end report, Ms. Moulton mentioned that her department is always trying to make the families that they serve more stable. She mentioned that this will be the second year of the Tax Clinic. They usually handle a full day of doing taxes for their clients. Jess Collins from her office is filing these for them.

Ms. Moulton mentioned the money that is left on the tables so far for the Senior Services Tax Levy. She said that Ben Gordon has \$1600 on the table yet, Voluntary Action Center has \$8.00, and Elder Care has \$6,000. She said that Barb City Manor had spent all of their money by January 2013. Ms. Moulton also said that this money will get rolled over.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Emerson, seconded by Mr. Whelan, and it was carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Respectively submitted,

Sally DeFauw, Chairman

Mary C. Supple, Secretary