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DeKalb County Government
Sycamore, Illinois

**Health & Human Services Committee Minutes
Senior Services Tax Levy Part I
April 5, 2021**

The Health and Human Services Committee of the DeKalb County Board met virtually via Zoom on Monday, April 5, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Vice Chair Cribben called the meeting to order. Those Members virtually present were Mr. Scott Campbell, Mrs. Karen Cribben, Mr. Bill Cummings, Mr. Neill Mohammad, and Ms. Linda Slabon. Ms. Maureen Little and Chair Rukisha Crawford was absent at roll call. A quorum was established with five Members present and two absent.

Others present were Deanna Cada, Vinh Le, Cindy Worsley of Fox Valley Older Adult Services, Brandy Mutehart, Marisa Wiesman and Anne Piron of Prairie State Legal Services, Inc., Erin Eckhardt and Jessica Brady of Family Service Agency, Brian Bickner, Cami Loving and Kayla Heimerman of Kishwaukee Family YMCA, Maureen Gerrity and Sarah Davis of Barb City Manor Retirement Home, and Dan Kenney of DeKalb County Community Gardens.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Campbell moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Cummings seconded the motion. Those Members voting yea were Mr. Campbell, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Mohammad, Ms. Slabon, and Vice-Chair Cribben. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Ms. Slabon moved to approve the minutes of the March 1, 2021 Committee Meeting. Mr. Cummings seconded the motion. Those Members voting yea were Mr. Campbell, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Mohammad, Ms. Slabon, and Vice-Chair Cribben. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Madam Chair Crawford and Ms. Little arrived.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments made.

SENIOR SERVICES TAX LEVY PROCESS

There was a brief overview of how the hearings were going to take place for the Senior Service Tax Levy allocations. Each interviewed was scheduled to take 15 minutes and within that time Board Members were encouraged to ask any outstanding questions they may have regarding the request from the agencies. It was reiterated that the purpose of the allocated funds were to avoid the premature institutionalization of Senior Citizens. It is the Committee's job to determine where the tax levy funds should be best allocated in order to provide the best outcome for the Community.

The Committee agreed that they liked the online format but would like some additional room within the program to write more extensive notes for next time.

SENIOR SERVICES TAX LEVY HEARINGS

Chair Crawford opened the FY 2022 Senior Services Tax Levy Hearing at 6:15 p.m. The following agencies presented their FY 2022 Senior Services Tax Levy Proposals to the Committee:

Agency	Request	Service Provided
Fox Valley Older Adult Services Community Care Program	\$79,598	Adult Day Service & In Home Services thru the Community Care Program
Prairie State Legal Services, Inc.	\$5,000	Legal Services for Older Adults
Family Services Agency	\$60,000	Promoting Wellness & Independence
Kishwaukee Family YMCA	\$4,309	Senior Wellness Programs – Silver Sneakers Classes for Seniors
Barb City Manor Retirement Home	\$16,200	Affordable Housing/Rental Assistance
DeKalb County Community Gardens	\$20,000	Community Food Needs/Grow Mobile – Food Distribution

**Senior Services Tax Levy Proposals are on file in the DeKalb County Administration Office and the Community Mental Health Department and may be made available upon request.*

Chair Crawford closed the 2022 Senior Services Tax Levy Hearing at 7:55 p.m.

The Chair reminded the Committee that they will be meeting again next Monday, April 12th at 6:00 p.m. to resume to the rest of the Senior Services Tax Levy Hearing.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Cummings moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 p.m. Mrs. Cribben seconded the motion. Those Members voting yea were Those Members voting yea were Mr. Campbell, Mrs. Cribben, Mr. Cummings, Ms. Little, Mr. Mohammad, Ms. Slabon, and Chair Crawford. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Rukisha Crawford, Chair

Tasha Sims, Recording Secretary

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