

Oneida County Commission on Aging Meeting Minutes
September 16, 2010

Present: Sonny Paszak, Bill Schell, Catherine Parker, Peter Wolk, Jeanette Pederson, Carol Pederson, Bob Metropulos. **Absent/excused:** Maxine Meyer and Sean McAdam
Staff: Dianne Jacobson and Julie Plamann **Guests:** Holly Schwartz and Jim Sandus of the Lakeland Senior Center.

Call to order: Paszak called meeting to order at 12:35 p.m. at the Lakeland Community Senior Center in Woodruff, Wisconsin, noting that the agenda had been properly posted and the media notified.

Approval September 16, 2010 Agenda: Motion Wolk/Metropulos approving agenda. All ayes, motion carried.

Approval August 19, 2010 Minutes: Motion Wolk/J.Pederson approving August 19, 2010 meeting minutes. All ayes, motion carried.

Date/Time and Locations of Future Meetings: Tentative date is Thursday October 21, 2010. Committee members chose to hold the meeting at the Senior Dining Site at the Ray Sloan Community Building in Lake Tomahawk, Wisconsin. Committee members that choose to ride together from Rhinelander will leave the Senior Center at 11:15 a.m. and then eat lunch at the Lake Tomahawk Senior Center at noon. The meeting will start at 12:30 p.m.

General Overview of Lakeland Senior Center: Introductions were exchanged between the commission members and staff of the Lakeland Senior Center. Holly Schwartz explained that the center is a drop-off site for the Lakeland area Goodwill collections, and that the center hosts a flea market sale of hand-made items as a fund-raiser. The center does rent its rooms for community use, has an exercise room and provides a van for senior transportation. Jim Sandus briefly discussed the need of new wiring for more secure internet use and for the computer lab/room that will be put into service. This summer the center had the exterior painted by inmates from the McNaughton work camp. Volunteers are developing a memorial walkway through an adjacent wooded area.

Department on Aging Building Committee Update: Jacobson reported that an offer to purchase the Northern Advantage Job Center building has been negotiated. Purchase price is approximately \$1.3 million; the anticipated closing date is Nov.15, 2010. A parking and snowplowing agreement is being drafted by Trig's attorney, John Houlihan. The Dept on Aging Building Committee will disband on Nov.16, 2010. At that time, the Buildings & Grounds Dept will oversee any needed remodeling at the Northern Advantage building. The donor's family has extended the time limit to Dec 31, 2010, at which time the Dept on Aging will have to have purchased a building and have entered into a contract to remodel.

Family Care and ADRC Committee: Jacobson reported that the September monthly ADRC of the Northwoods Planning Committee meeting will be held at the Oneida County Law Enforcement Center. CMO (Care Management Organization) will be a topic of discussion. Oneida County's Family Care Committee members will be present to hear the morning presentation on CMO selection.

Tri-County Transit Commission: Gwen Larson, consultant for the exploration of a Tri-County Transit Commission has been working with staff from Oneida, Vilas and Forest counties. To date, Larson has met with all 3 counties, cab owners in Rhinelander and Woodruff/Minocqua, Lac du Flambeau staff and the Lakeland Senior Center. The formation of a Tri-County Transit Commission would be eligible to leverage current state funding with Federal funds that would greatly enhance transportation options in the 3 counties. At this point the group is still exploring the options and the final membership may include some or all of the 3 counties and 3 tribes in the geographic region. Larson is paid for by the state DOT with small matching amounts from the three county aging offices.

LTE Wage Schedule: Jacobson had reported previously that there would be no increase in wages for any LTE employees in 2011; however the nutrition site managers have had no increase for three (3) years. Committee members felt at this time an increase was practical, possibly to \$12/hour.

Motion Parker/C.Pederson authorizing Jacobson to begin investigating the feasibility and timeline needed to request a wage increase for LTE Nutrition Site Managers for 2012. Motion passed with all ayes.

Director's Monthly Report: No written report to review this month.

Monthly Departmental Reports: Reports reviewed. Motion Wolk/Schell accepting and approving the monthly departmental reports. All ayes, motion passed.

Advisory Council: Jacobson mentioned the idea of a public relations event to have Commission on Aging member(s) and representative(s) from the Advisory Council make a presentation of an oversized check to Trig Solberg at the closing of the purchase on November 15, 2010. The idea was supported and will be discussed further at the October meeting.

The Advisory Council also is requesting permission to hold a Christmas rummage sale at the vacant County-owned former WPS building at 111E. Davenport Street during the downtown sales event which will be held in November. Motion Metropulos/Parker approving the idea of using the vacant WPS building for a Christmas rummage sale in November with final approval needed from the Building and Grounds Committee. Motion passed with all ayes.

Vouchers and Bills: Jacobson presented bills and personal vouchers for payment and explained that the purchase of a new Senior transport bus is 80% State funded. Motion Wolk/J.Pederson accepting and approving vouchers and bills as presented. All ayes, motion passed.

Line Item Transfers: Jacobson explained the line item transfers pertaining to grant money and transportation. Motion Metropulos/Schell approving two line item transfer requests. Motion passed with all ayes.

Out-of-County travel: Jacobson requested approval to travel to Wausau for an Urban and Rural Transit meeting on September 20 & 21; on September 29 - October 1st she will attend an Aging Conference in Wisconsin Dells. Jennifer George will attend Medicare training September 28-29 in Wisconsin Dells and October 20 -22 Benefit Specialist training in Green Bay. Stephanie Schroeder will attend the WASC conference September 16-17 in Waupaca. Motion Wolk/Schell approving out of county travel for September and October, 2010. All Ayes, motion passed.

Topics for Future Agendas: Normal agenda items, Advisory Board By-laws review, raffle policy.

Public Comment/Communications: None.

Adjourn: Motion Metropulos/C.Pederson adjourning meeting at 1:55 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

P. Wolk
COA Secretary