

**ADRC COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES
March 23, 2022**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairperson Mr. Russ Fisher, Ms. Rita Mahner, Mr. Robert Thome, Jr.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT VIA ZOOM: Ms. Joan Hauer, Mr. Steven Schreier, Mr. Ted Cushing, Mr. James Unger (Via Phone)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS EXCUSED ABSENT: Ms. Nancy Watry

STAFF PRESENT: Ms. Mary Rideout (Zoom), Mr. Joel Gottsacker, Ms. Jeri Driscoll

OTHERS PRESENT: Ms. Barb Newman, Northwoods Transit Connection

OTHERS PRESENT VIA ZOOM: None

1. Call to order:

Chairperson Mr. Russ Fisher called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. on the second floor of the Oneida County Courthouse- County Board Room, 1 S. Oneida Ave, Rhinelander, WI and via Zoom. The meeting has been properly posted in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law and the facility is handicap accessible.

2. Approval of agenda:

Motion by Mr. Robert Thome, Jr. seconded by Mr. Ted Cushing to approve today's agenda with the order of items at the Chair's discretion. All ayes; motion carried.

3. Public comment/communications:

No public present or via Zoom.

4. Minutes of February 23, 2022:

Motion by Mr. Robert Thome, Jr., seconded by Ms. Rita Mahner to approve the February 23, 2022 ADRC Committee minutes. All ayes; motion carried.

5. Lakeland Care Contract – Committee Approval:

2022 Lakeland Care, Inc. Service Provider contract for the period of February 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022, which will auto renew every year. The contract Agreement is to provide aging services such as Transportation and Meals on Wheels. The Department has a good working relationship with Lakeland. Even though the termination clause indicates that we will provide services until another vendor can be found, we do not foresee a circumstance when we would not be providing these services. Motion by Mr. Ted Cushing, seconded by Ms. Rita Mahner to approve the Lakeland Care Contract. All ayes; motion carried.

6. Northwoods Transit Connections Update:

Ms. Barbara Newman gave an update. Committee received the Ridership Report. Ms. Newman reported that they hired one staff but still have openings. No update on the Adams Way Property. Have met with new landlords and have a new lease. They would like us to continue leasing. Informational only, no action taken.

7. Staffing Update-Dementia Care Specialist:

Mr. Joel Gottsacker stated that Danielle Przybylski will be starting as Dementia Care Specialist on April 11, 2022. Informational only, no action taken.

8. COVID-19 Update – Facility/Service usage, work from home:

Mr. Joel Gottsacker reported that the ADRC is open for business. They have groups coming in for activities, AARP Tax Aide on Wednesday's, 3-4 people per day dine in. They have two staff that are working from home two days per week but everyone else is in the office.

9. Dementia Innovations Update:

Mr. Joel Gottsacker explained they had a meeting with EMS, Emergency Management, ER Staff, Law Enforcement and placements to start in the development of a crisis response for people with dementia. They will be having another meeting in April. Informational only, no action taken.

10. Aging Advocacy Day:

Advocacy Day is May 11th from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. This is a virtual event with the Wisconsin Aging Advocacy Network. Join aging advocates virtually from across the state to celebrate our legislative success and prepare to make issues impacting older adults and family caregivers a top priority for state legislators in 2022 and beyond. If anyone is interested in participating, send Mr. Gottsacker an e-mail. Informational only, no action taken.

11. Citizen member per diem – update:

We continue to work on changing the County Code, as there is two different per diem rates – board member versus citizen. Recommend both being the same per diem rate. Ms. Mary Rideout will get information out to other department heads as this affects others and not just the ADRC. She will get feedback from others before making the final change and will bring the final recommendation in April to the ADRC Committee. No action taken at this time.

12. Vouchers, Purchase Orders, and Line Item Transfers:

Mr. Joel Gottsacker presented vouchers to the committee. There were no purchase orders. There was a couple of line item transfers which were just clean-up of accounts. Motion made by Mr. Robert Thome, Jr., seconded by Ms. Rita Mahner to approve the vouchers and line item transfers as presented. All ayes; motion carried. Members that attended via Zoom will receive an e-mail to electronically sign.

13. Monthly Reports:

Monthly report reviewed. No questions or concerns by the committee. Informational only, no action taken.

14. Future Agenda topics:

- County Code – per diem rate.
- Usual agenda items.
- Next meeting will be April 27, 2022

15. Public comment/communications:

No public present or via Zoom.

16. Adjournment: 9:30 a.m.



Committee Chairman



Committee Secretary