



APPROVED MINUTES
Bloomfield Committee
Thursday, October 23, 2014 at 1:30 p.m.
Bloomfield Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center
Dodgeville, WI 53533

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1	Meeting was called to order by Chairman Dr. Jenkins at 1:35 p.m.
2	Roll Call was taken. Members present: Dr. Jenkins; Anderson; Palzkill; Paull; Thomas Others present: Penny Clary, Donna Clark, Kari Grady; Jake Tarrell, Mark Vondra; Karen Oellerich
3	Approve the agenda for this meeting. Motion by Anderson to approve the agenda for this meeting. Member Thomas seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
4	Approve the minutes of the October 9 meeting. Motion by Paull to approve the minutes of the October 9 meeting. Palzkill seconded the motion. Motion carried.
5	Comments or reports from the audience or committee members. Thomas was concerned with yard signs placed in right of ways that may be removed. Clary commented on a call she received with a request for a yard sign and the caller will make her own sign. Dr. Jenkins asked what a yes vote means. Anderson felt a "yes" would mean working on remodeling or building. Thomas spoke to someone in favor of remodeling on the current Bloomfield site. Dr. Jenkins and Dan Nankee have conferred regarding building on this site and Jake is gathering information regarding that issue until after the referendum. Thomas inquired as to the cost to close the facility. Anderson feels it is a good thing people are talking about it. Thomas asked where people go even if sold. Paull feels the County Board went over top of Bloomfield without regard of staff.
6	WIFI for Residents. Rick Klabough from IT is waiting for a callback from Frontier but he feels best bet for wireless, at Bloomfield, at this point is US Cellular Hot Spot. One account with 10 hot spots would serve 100 devices with cost by gigabyte (gb) -10 gb would be \$100.00. The recommendation is to start @ 4 to 6 gb with costs \$40.00 to \$60.00. Discussion ensued on how many residents would use it; family members would use it and the potential for staff to use it on breaks. Campbell Fund interest per year is \$3300.00 and the DISH is running approximately \$415.00/month. Motion by Anderson to provide 4 to 6 gb per month and try for six months or contract period using Campbell Funds, if US Cellular will allow to do it this way. Motion seconded by Palzkill. Motion carried. Palzkill asked to argue for the best contract possible. Clary stated the County IT will handle the contract.
7	Nursing Services Report. Donna Clark, D.O.N., reported 42 referrals in the past three month period. Breakdown was 23 admitted; 8 lost and 11 denied. Next quarter her plans are to revamp the report, continue to track lost admissions, add discharges and share private room information, if possible.
8	Environmental Services Report. No report. Of note, the shrubs and evergreens that were affected by time and the weather during the past winter have been removed. This fall sludge will be hauled to the Laufenberg land on approximately 5 to 6 acres. Presently this is done bi-annually. That may change with the new phosphorus rules. At this time, Bloomfield can't make it two years and there are spikes in phosphorus levels. Cost is approximately \$2500 to haul per year. Tarrell feels Bloomfield is left out of county land use contracts.

9	Business Office Report. Preliminary budget summary for 2015 with revenues/expenses was distributed. Clary spoke regarding future budget requests commenting that the current 2015 level of \$47,000 will not fly. Anderson commented that Bloomfield will need to start being creative. Clary warned of complaints from staff and services will change, as well as, Campbell Fund requests. The Activity budget may come from the Campbell Funds or a Campbell Fund CD may have to be cashed with no levy. Clary's thoughts were that it is disheartening when there is no support. Dr. Jinkins commented that the marketing budget is not very big. Thomas is concerned that when the Campbell Funds are gone, what's going to happen? Clary mentioned creating a foundation. Thomas voiced the possibility of a county board resolution to exceed the levy for Bloomfield. Palzkill encouraged Clary to come to the county board with needs as the county board needs to be awakened to the needs. Clark commented that medical equipment is expensive. Clary would like to see support for Bloomfield and theorized the possibility of the county board doing a levy override for the highway department. Palzkill would like clarification if money, in the past, came from Bloomfield to the Highway Department. Anderson said counties around us levy for nursing homes. Thomas feels it is time for the county board to exceed levy for the April election. Palzkill stated the County General Fund is not a bottomless pit; there will be less money in the general fund in 2016. Anderson commented that mandates the county has had in the past 10 years haven't been funded. Palzkill cautioned this problem is not going away. Tarrell, stated that Bloomfield is one state citation away from a \$200,000 to \$400,000 repair. This is a difficult decision for the board but the decision can't be kicked down the road. Tarrell stated that Bloomfield needs to get up to code. Clark commented that Life Safety violations spill over into health inspections and there can be huge fines. Anderson senses that the Bloomfield Committee should be ready at the December meeting for what goes to HHS committee. Campbell Fund report: As of 09-30-14 CD's - \$675,000.00; Premier Checking Acct. - \$11,099.78; LGIP - \$7,544.32; Interest Earned YTD: \$1,689.55; Expenses Paid YTD (10/04/14): \$4,614.40.
10	Chairman's Report. Dr. Jinkins commented that Mary Crook and the dietary department are doing a good job. He hears positive comments regarding the food in the community. He, also, commented that the Fall Fest was a great event. The band was perfect, as well as the pie contest. It was a fun, family event. The pie sales netted \$140.00 to the Resident Council Fund. Dr. Jinkins stated that there will be an ad in the upper left corner of Section B of the Shopping News next week.
11	Administrator's Report. A general overview is the feeling from staff is stress, anxiety and exhaustion. Clary commented that staff is trying to be positive. The resident cares are fine but staff and management are stressed. Bloomfield has been promoting ourselves and staff comments, recently heard, is management is not on the floor and on Facebook too much. Management feels they have been trying to save the building/company by marketing and therefore are feeling torn and incredibly stressed. There are two part-time housekeeping positions available. As of yesterday, there were 59 resident with 9 Medicare A.
12	Outreach Planning/Updates. Community forums have been scheduled and two have been held. Tarrell commented that Clary did a good job at the Mineral Point Forum. The Yes/No sheet will be in the paper. Palzkill asked if the Chronicle will be doing an interview with Clary.
13	Other Business – None.
14	Next meeting date. The next meeting will be Thursday, November 6 at 1:30 p.m. with a brief agenda.
14	Motion to adjourn by Paull; second by Anderson. Motion carried.