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|  | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>APPROVED MINUTES</b><br/> Health and Human Services Committee<br/> WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2 at 5:00 p.m.<br/> <i>Health and Human Services Community Room</i><br/> 303 W. Chapel Street; Dodgeville, Wisconsin</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Iowa<br/>County<br/>Wisconsin</p> |
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| 1    | Chairperson Nankee called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Nankee gave his thanks for support for the loss of his mother.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 2    | <p><b><u>Roll Call:</u></b><br/> Members Present in Community Room: Chairperson Dan Nankee<br/> Members Present Remotely: Joan Davis, Justin O'Brien, Richard Rolfsmeyer, Bruce Paull, John Meyers<br/> Others Present in Community Room: Larry Bierke, Nikki Mumm, Steve Deal, Cecile McManus<br/> Others Present Remotely: Tom Slaney, Jeff Lindeman, Barry Hottman, Jeff Lockhart</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 3    | <p><b><u>Approval of the December 2, 2020 Agenda:</u></b><br/> Motion by Rolfsmeyer and seconded by O'Brien to accept the agenda. Aye: 5; Nay: 0. Motion carried.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 4    | <p><b><u>Approval of the October 7, 2020 Meeting Minutes:</u></b><br/> Motion by Davis and seconded by Rolfsmeyer to accept the meeting minutes. Nankee would like to mention Steve Deal was not listed as Others Present in Community Room. Mumm will correct the meeting minutes. Aye: 5; Nay: 0. Motion carried.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 5    | <p><b><u>Reports from Committee members and an opportunity for members of the audience to address the committee. No action will be taken.</u></b><br/> <b><i>Bloomfield Update:</i></b> Bierke gave an update as acting Administrator of Bloomfield. He attends stand up meetings every morning unless they are busy and staff is unavailable. They currently have a census of 35. It has dropped off due to an employee that had tested positive for Covid-19 almost 14 days ago. They are close to being Covid-19 free again. Once they are Covid-19 free for 14 days, they will begin allowing residents to have private meetings with families. They have been fortunate to not have had residents test positive for Covid-19 for many months. There were no employees that tested positive as of last week. Bloomfield is in fantastic shape regarding Covid-19 due to our protocols and employees prioritizing their own health and safety. Davis thanked Bierke for holding down the fort and for the wonderful job they are doing to keep Covid-19 cases down compared to other nursing homes. Bierke said they are working on upgrading to a new software program called Point Click Care (PCC). It's the standard in MN and many facilities in WI are using it, including Upland Hills. Staff has put pressure on him to upgrade to this software as they believe it will help attract more/new staff. It is a GUI/Web based software but the downside to that is that they will need better internet to support it so they are working on getting better internet at Bloomfield. He has been working with IT to get cameras for management to be able to utilize Zoom and has incorporated electronic time off requests. Paull asked if they need to have a commission meeting. Bierke stated that the Bloomfield commission should meet quarterly. They are going to discuss offline.<br/> <b><i>Paull:</i></b> Talked to a woman from Galena, IL with a granddaughter at the Opportunity House. She is taking care of the granddaughter's kids and did not have enough good things to say about the Drug Court and our rehabilitation program. With Deputy Peterson leaving the program for his new role as the Jail Administrator, he hopes Sheriff Michek places someone as good and dedicated to the program as Deputy Peterson has been. The HeART Coalition is working on activity bags for seniors that S.U.N. will hand out with their meals and will go to people in nursing homes and facilities. Valerie &amp; Brittany will be putting them together next week.<br/> <b><i>Nankee:</i></b> Thank you to everyone for going over the budgets at the last meeting. Stacey Terrill is a great resource if you need someone to look over your health insurance and help you ensure you have the right coverage. He would like to spotlight McManus's News &amp; Views Column for December. Highlights were their goal for the annual appeal, antioxidants in fruits and vegetables are important to stay healthy this time of year, and they want to continue feeding the elderly, but it has not been easy with Covid -19 as they have not figured out a way to cook and eat virtually.</p> |

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|   | <p><b>Davis:</b> Just got her letter from the S.U.N. Program today and would like to give a shout out to McManus and O'Brien as it was well written and nicely done. Nankee stated that there is also a blue donation button on the S.U.N. Facebook to donate.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 6 | <p><b><u>Review third quarter financial reports:</u></b></p> <p>Nankee stated that if you look at the expenditure page that we are at 60% of expected expenditures with the year 69% over. Bierke commented that Bloomfield's expenses are down. He also states that there is more revenue coming in from Extension. Nankee stated that he saw in the minutes that it is possible we will receive more Covid-19 monies in the second half of this year. According to the Iowa County Financial Statement we are doing well and Bloomfield is the only one negative. Bierke stated that we will be getting another big payment at the end of the year that will help bring us in line with Bloomfield.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 7 | <p><b><u>SUN Department Update:</u></b></p> <p>McManus gave update. She stated that this is the time of year they send out emergency meals. These meals are non-perishable food, enough for two meals, for anyone that wants it and are to be used if S.U.N. is short on meals or is unable to get to the resident for any reason. Says this year almost everyone has requested one. This year they are making over 200 bags (400 meals) between Iowa &amp; Lafayette Counties. She stated that they have to do an assessment for everyone that they bring a meal to within 30 days and then annually thereafter, and they have been doing them over the phone this year vs in-person. They were behind on this but are now caught up and that the purpose of the calls are to talk with the residents to find out if they are having any issues or are at a nutrition risk. The Lafayette County Housing Authority decided to get all residents of all of their buildings two meals for the holidays this year, and they purchased them through S.U.N. in the form of gift cards for the residents to be able to use at their convenience. She thinks this may introduce new residents to the program and meals will increase. They finished sending out the annual appeal mailings today that they had started last week. She thanked O'Brien for all of his help with this. They mailed out 450 at this time and could send out more, so please let her know if you have anyone else that you think needs a letter. They do go to all board members. The status of the sites continues to be a challenge every day. October 19th was their first positive Covid-19 case of a participant and a driver, and they have had positive cases at 4 sites (2 in Iowa &amp; 2 in Lafayette) as of today. She has been in communication with the Health Departments in both counties. They do not go into homes anymore, everything is disposable and put into a bag, the driver goes to door, knocks on door, sets food on a clean surface that they have agreed upon ahead of time, and the driver backs up 6 feet and waits for client to come to the door to make sure they are ok. She thanked Bloomfield for staying open as they supply all meals for Dodgeville, which is their biggest site. They had two congregate sites open: Dodgeville, which is still open with very limited seating and Benton, which closed 2.5 weeks ago as cases started to spike in Lafayette County, and they will re-evaluate at the end of the week if they want to open the Benton site back up. They currently have no plans to open other congregate sites. She is working with Valerie in the ADRC on a Covid-19 contingency plan in case she and Jay would both come down with Covid-19. Stated the ADRC does have staff that could enter information into SAMS should the need arise. Their meal counts are high as seniors do not have other options and are scared to go to grocery store. Nankee said it is remarkable that the sites are not open, but we have so many more people being fed. Paull asked if we have gotten more volunteers. McManus said no and she will run another ad in the Chronicle. Every site has a substitute that can work there as far as the manager but they need more back-up volunteers. She stated that there are five people at the Dodgeville site that can manage the site. Safety is their number one concern. Davis suggested having extra emergency meals in resident's homes in case there would be positive Covid-19 cases at sites that would decrease volunteers and workers to ensure residents have meals.</p> |
| 8 | <p><b><u>UW Extension Department Update:</u></b></p> <p>Hottman gave update. They are all working diligently and telecommuting due to increased cases of Covid-19. They are making sure any visits to the HHS Center are warranted and approved with Paul Ohlrogge ahead of time. They worked on survey with SW Grasslands network. One question asked was what people's comfort level was working with various agencies throughout the state, and UW Extension ranked highest with comfort level among correspondents. Results from the recent Broadband Survey overwhelming emphasized the importance of broadband internet in rural areas. There was a substantial increase in the importance of broadband internet among correspondents in comparison to the 2017</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

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|    | <p>survey. They will be working on an action plan regarding the survey results and would like to do presentations to board in 2021 regarding their findings and the need for budget monies to make this a focus moving forward. The Community Leadership Alliance Program was able to have two of their six planned sessions in 2020. He stated that 2021 is not looking any better for extension programming so they are pivoting this year with a new purpose statement and core values. They will be using 2021 to have a series of conversations on topics and issues communities are facing. Examples include, but are not limited to, understanding privilege, systemic racism, trust building, understanding bias, working through healthy tension, etc. Rolfsmeier stated that he had a lady at church comment at how happy she was that she could Zoom with her family for Thanksgiving. He will send Hottman contact information for a lady who was in Iowa County recently getting info on broadband. O'Brien thanked Hottman for looking into broadband issues. He said internet is as essential as electricity, and that they are going to use it more during holidays to meet with their families. Davis said internet will help with social isolation and lead to less substance abuse. It is almost a preventative program for isolation, suicide prevention, and helps keep people in touch. She thanked Hottman for his work with this study.</p> <p>Hottman stated many who filled out handwritten forms were elderly, and he thinks about how much they could have benefited from high-speed internet during Covid-19. He said they will be leaning on local health organizations and schools to help them get funding for broadband as this is an important issue that we cannot let slip away.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 9  | <p><b><u>Veteran's Service Office Department Update:</u></b></p> <p>Lindeman gave report. He shipped the winter newsletter to the printers just before Thanksgiving and it should be in mailboxes in the near future. Nankee asked how Jason from the Madison Vet Center is working out. Lindeman stated that the Vet Center is still working through telehealth and, if there's a need for webcam services for Iowa County Vets, we could use conference rooms in the HHS Center. He said currently the Vet Center is not offering walk-in appointments, but Veterans can meet with counselor via appointment. Once Covid-19 slows down, Jason would like to use HHS Center to meet with Veterans. He stated that a new software, VetPro, is handy, but he still has some Vets that want to utilize paper. Davis inquired if Lindeman has been on a Badger Honor Flight or if he has anyone from Iowa County on a waiting list. Lindeman stated that the Badger Honor Flight is currently offering the program to Vietnam Vets and older Vets at this point. He stated that Vets who have been on them love them and have nothing but good things to say.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 10 | <p><b><u>Unified Community Services Department Update:</u></b></p> <p>Lockhart gave report. He said they have had 8 people within their agency affected by Covid-19, but they have been able to maintain operations and have a majority of people working from home. They received a substance abuse grant that now includes stimulants like Methamphetamines and reapplied for a women's substance use grant yesterday for which they currently have 10 clients with a capacity of 20 total clients. Their programs need to be recertified by the state every two years, and the Community Support Program was recently certified. Mental health has become a serious issue in Iowa county and, with Covid-19, it has doubled to 40%. There is a shortage in Iowa County for mental health providers. Substance abuse is also a serious issue, and the shortage for AODA counselors is worse than for mental health, so they have trained 4 mental health counselors to be AODA counselors. They were just awarded a grant to treat opioid and methamphetamine use disorders, but it cannot be used to supplant existing funding sources, only to expand them. The Comprehensive Community Services Program (CCS) is fully reimbursable with no cost to the county. It is not for out-patient or serious cases only, for those in the middle who require 3-4 hours per week and a case manager. They currently have two case managers and are hiring a third in January. Davis inquired where he gets his data, and Lockhart stated it comes from State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services surveys. She stated that it would be interesting to get data from local Iowa County medical providers. Lockhart stated that he only has local opioid data. There was 1 overdose in October in Iowa County, 10 overdoses this year, and 16 instances where they delivered naloxone for an overdose. This information was from the Wisconsin Department of Health Services. Nankee stated that he saw an article that Japan had more suicides in October than people who died from Covid-19 in the whole year. He hopes we do not have that happen here as well.</p> |
| 11 | <p><b><u>Social Services Department Update:</u></b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

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|    | <p>Slaney gave report. He sent an update via email and asked if there were any questions? He stated that we are experiencing issues with Covid-19 in our department and have taken measures to get 70% of staff out of the building. Fortunately most cases have been remote workers, and we have still been able to take care of consumers. We recently auctioned the large ADRC bus and got \$14,100 for it, and that 80% of the amount over \$5,000 needs to be used to purchase a new vehicle. We are replacing the current small bus with a new one, and are getting the rural taxi back up and running again. Davis stated that she saw in the paper that Dane County reported a drop in referrals to Social Services for child abuse and neglect with kids being out of school and asked if we have seen the same pattern. Slaney stated that he does not have that data on him, but has heard the same information regarding Dane County in his meetings he has had this week. Nankee asked if Slaney had any comments on the seven-county ESS Consortium. Slaney stated that they get together as directors to see how we are doing and if we need to modify contract. He wanted to recognize work staff did at this time. The medical assistance, child care, food share, and energy assistance programs changed so frequently this spring that we couldn't keep up to the changes. He said that many things were waived and it was a tremendous accomplishment of staff to keep it going and meet standards. We have 95% answer rates for the call center and timeliness for processing applications (30 days). He said they discussed how other counties are dealing with Covid-19, and that they mirrored one another by making adjustments to serve everyone they need to.</p> |
| 12 | <p><b><u>Wednesday, January 6, 2021</u></b>: approved for the next HHS Committee meeting at 5:00 p.m., HHS Center, Community Room, Dodgeville. Zoom will still be an option.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 13 | <p>Motion by Rolfsmeyer and seconded by Paull to Adjourn. Aye: 5, Nay: 0. Meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |