

**Minutes of the January 7, 2025 meeting of the Sawyer County
Health and Human Services Committee
of the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors
Board Room, Sawyer County**



Voting Committee Members Present:

- ☒ Chair: Kay Wilson
- ☐ Vice Chair: Tweed Shuman
- ☒ Marshal Savitski
- ☒ Chuck Van Etten
- ☐ Jeff Hoehne- Excused
- ☐ Bill Trepanier
- ☒ Dawn Petit- Virtual
- ☒ Carol Pearson
- ☒ Dr. Sabrina Dunlap

Others Present:

Andy Albarado
Julia Lyons
Julie McCallum
Liz Klein
Sarah Inczauskis
Alicia Carlson
Carrie Mann

Call to Order – Chair Ms. Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Certification of Compliance with the open meeting law was skipped. Roll Call was taken; a quorum was met.

Meeting Agenda – Set

Public Comments – None

Minutes from the previous meeting dated: December 10, 2024

Motion to approve made by: Mr. Savitski Second by: Ms. Pearson
Motion carried without negative vote.

Committee Reports -

LCO Liaison – None available

Senior Resource Center – None available

Administration – No report

Adult Long-term Care -

A written report was provided. Ms. Lyons reported that Long Term Care is fully staffed and providing a variety of activities for dementia care. Mary Wolf returned to the LCO Elder Care Director position. Caseload throughout Wisconsin continues to increase.

Behavioral Health -

A written report was provided. The department is transitioning following the retirement of Joe Bodo. Expense and Cost by Client reports were reviewed. A new patient transport company is being considered and Ms. Lyons provided a favorable first impression of their service.

Child Protective Services and Youth Justice -

Ms. Inczauskis gave a report on recent juvenile gun violence in the county. A truancy person is being hired for the Diversion Program. Truancy in Sawyer County appears to be an ongoing generational problem. A Youth Justice and Children in Care report were provided.

Economic Support -

A written report was provided.

Public Health -

A written report was provided. Ms. McCallum gave an update on rising Influenza and RSV cases reported by area healthcare providers. Grants were received for the Medical Reserve Corps program.

Fiscal -

Written reports were provided and reviewed by Ms. Lyons. The department has received state reimbursement of about \$360,000.00 to offset expenses. End of year expenses leveled out despite overspending in the Youth Justice area. The 2025 HHS budget provides for increased funds in the areas of CPS and Youth Justice.

Board Appointed Committee Updates - None

Future Agenda Items- A list of acronyms and definitions to be provided to the committee. Ms. Lyons will provide a transportation report at the next meeting.

Correspondence- Mr. Albarado shared that the Senior Resource Center is selling tickets for an upcoming fundraiser to replace the roof on their building.

Meeting Date/Time – The next meeting of the Health and Human Services Board will be Tuesday, February 11th, at 6:30 pm in the Board Room.

Meeting adjourned at 6:54 PM

Minutes recorded by Liz Klein, County Clerk