

**Health and Social Services Committee Meeting
Tuesday, August 5, 2008**

Present: Mary Bergren, Administrator; Ron Salisbury, Betty Murphy, Muriel Weber

1. Census: July 1- 93 Admitted- 2 Expired- 2 Discharged- 5 July 30- 88

2. Employee updates: new hires, terminations, and monthly safety report

3. Public Aid:	Paid May	\$168,992.62
	Due June	\$101,914.88
	Due July	\$107,614.58

4. Demolition/Kenyon Architects- Bids are now due on 8/07/08 at 2:00 p.m. at Hillcrest Home. Kenyon will review bids and make a recommendation to the Committee at 5:45 p.m. before the County Board meeting. Bidding was delayed for two days due to EPA problems with dumping debris onsite.

5. Mactec- Asbestos removal, bids opened at 2:00 p.m. on 8/05/08. Mactec recommendation to accept Ironwood Environmental Base Bid-ASA of \$9,400. In addition, Alternate Bid ASB A (removal of asbestos containing floor tile on wood flooring) of \$5000 is not required for preparation of the building for demolition since all material will be placed in a licensed landfill and the floor will remain non-friable during demolition. Mactec recommends waiting until demolition bids are opened on 8/07/08 to compare demolition company costs to Ironwood's proposed cost to address non-friable asbestos.

6. Received approval from Public Health for roof replacement

7. 2009 budget proposal completed and reviewed. Medicare and Public Aid are both threatening payment cuts, but nothing is definite at this time.

8. Better Business Bureau- marketing proposal, join/accredited at a cost of \$575.00 per year (BBB is a not-for-profit organization, it is not governmental). Committee does not recommend becoming a member.

9. Spoke with Roger Brown (formerly of Western Il. University and now is working for BP) regarding Hillcrest Wind Farm. May schedule an informative meeting for landowners in the near future.

10. Hillcrest was without power for 4 days, ran on back-up generator which powers everything except the laundry, main floor air conditioning, and booster heater for dishwasher. Both walk-in coolers and freezers are run by the generator. Used over 650 gallons of diesel and lots of quarters at the Laundromat.

11. Received \$5000.00 from the estate of former resident Naomi Livengood. Naomi brought her pet cat with her when she was admitted to Hillcrest, and Muffin still lives with us here.

12. Resident "elopement," reported by Hillcrest Administrator to Public Health. At 10:40 p.m. resident took out window screen and crawled out his window. Stated he wanted to look in his wife's window (she is a resident but lives in a different room) to make sure she was safe. He had walked down the hallway about an hour before that and checked on her. Resident left and returned to building safely with no injuries.

12. July bills: \$364,969.52 Bills approved by Muriel Weber, seconded by Betty Murphy.

13. Next meeting: Tuesday, September 2, 2008