

Health and Social Services Committee Minutes
Wednesday, May 2, 2012

6:00 p.m.

Present: Mary Bergren, administrator; Karen Urick, chair; Muriel Weber; Jan May, Rebekah McCaw. Also Present: Lisa Hammer; Daily Dispatch

1. Meeting began at 6:00 p.m.

McCaw moved, Weber seconded the corrections to the May agenda.

May moved, McCaw seconded the approval of the April 2012 minutes.

2. Census

As of May 2 the census is 104.

3. Public Relations

Mary noted the article stating that Hillcrest Home first initiated the original contact for placement of a wind turbine in Henry County. She gave a brief history of the timeline for placement of a turbine at Hillcrest home and how the program got started.

Jan May noted the exceptional care her father received while a resident at Hillcrest Home. She stated that she always knew that Hillcrest was a wonderful facility but it wasn't until she had a relative here that she noted it first hand. Our condolences to Jan for the loss of her father in April were noted.

4. Employee updates

A part-time Dietary Aide and a part-time Laundry Aide were hired. Four Nurse Assistant Trainees were hired for second shift on a part-time basis. There were 3 self terminations.

5. Public Aid

The last payment that was received was for September 2011 for \$149,492.10. Public Aid owes Hillcrest \$792,009.84

6. Telephone Harassment -

Hillcrest Home has been receiving harassing phone calls that are tying up all of the phone lines. This began approximately 2 weeks ago and escalated in frequency the last week of April to present. The phone calls are being placed from a series of untraceable "ghost" phone numbers generated from the internet. These calls have been tying up all the lines for a couple of hours and have been verbally abusive when answered. The calls apparently began when an employee used Hillcrest as a contact name and phone number when securing an online loan. We have been in touch with the Geneseo Telephone Company, Terry Patton and Brian Kerr, Jim Padilla and Detective Bedford.

7. Renovation Project Update

A tour by Steve Boll, the director of maintenance at Hillcrest was given during the meeting. The exterior is framed in and the roofing complete. Interior work still needs to be completed. A completion date can not be given yet and we are looking at it being at least June. An open house will be scheduled when the work is complete.

One change order was received due to a need to upgrade the alarm system and door guard for the front door. It was discovered that the old system would not be compatible. The total cost for card readers, intercom system, wander guard security system and door strikes is \$9197.16. Mary will be using memorial funds donated to Hillcrest to cover the change order. May moved and Weber seconded the use of the memorial funds to cover the the change order. All yea.

8. Illinois Department of Public Health Survey

The annual Department of Public Health Survey for Nursing and Life Safety occurred from March 19 - March 26. Considerable time was spent going over the final report. The full report is available in a folder posted at the front entrance to Hillcrest. There were 5 life safety tags in which 3 were directly related to the renovation project. Four of the 5 responses for change have been accepted by IDPH and noted as corrected. The fifth response has been submitted and a response is expected shortly. There were 3 nursing tags. By the scope and severity index, these were considered minor tags. All 3 have already been corrected and changes accepted.

9. Approval of Bills

May moved to approve April bills totaling \$371,573.61 Weber seconded.

10. Next Meeting is Thursday, June 7th at 6:00 p. m. Note change of day.

Meeting was moved to adjourn at 7:25 p.m. by McCaw, seconded by Weber.